


ABHA SAHGAL

Ms Abha Sahgal is the Principal of Sanskriti School, one of the most prestigious schools of the country, since 2008. Prior to joining Sanskriti, Ms Sahgal was the Founder Principal of Delhi Public School, Sharjah, a branch of Delhi Public Schools, from 2000 to 2008. She is credited for establishing DPS Sharjah as an institution of excellence.

She has had 30 years of teaching experience, having started her career in DPS RK Puram, and moving as headmistress to DPS Vasant Vihar, in New Delhi. Ms Sahgal has authored and co-authored several books, published by Orient Longman and S.Chand & Co.


ANITA ANAND

Anita Anand has over 35 years of experience in development, media, communications, women and gender, at the national, regional and international level. She is currently Director of Com First (India) Private Ltd. a niche development and communications agency, based in New Delhi.

From 1990-2000, as Director of Women's Feature Service, Anand assisted in putting writing about development issues from a gender perspective on the map. From 1986-1990, as Coordinator of Women, Communication and Development at Inter Press Service, a third world news agency based in Italy, Anand reinvented the Women's Feature Service and worked in senior management team to strengthen the IPS service in Asia, creating new bureaus, strengthening existing ones and training journalists to write on development issues from a gender perspective. During these years Anand interacted with media in various countries in Asia and the Pacific, signing them on as partners of IPS as well as training journalists. Anand has worked with the corporate sector, government agencies, civil society organisations, as well as formal and informal networks. She has worked with the UN system and UN regional bodies and has knowledge and experience of the development cooperation agencies of Europe, Japan and North America. Anand is the author of books, articles, documentaries and radio programmes on development.


DR. S. SRINIVASAN

Dr. S. Srinivasan, M.D. (Pediatrics) from the University of Delhi, has worked in several Govt and Non-Govt Organisations such as NIPCCD, AVARD, VHAI, SWRC (Tilonia), AVNI (Uttarakhand), Deepalaya Education Society, CVARA, etc undertaking consulting and training activities for over three decades. He is presently Consultant Pediatrician at the Indraprastha Medical Centre at Vasant Kunj, New Delhi.

As a member of Alternative Parenting Network Association, he is called to render counselling and medical services to several families in India. He has also undertaken group counselling for teachers and teenagers in public schools in Delhi. His other interests include travelling, photography and wildlife.


FIROZA MEHROTRA

Firoza Mehrotra is a former member of the Indian Administrative Service of the 1974 batch of the Haryana cadre. She has held a variety of key posts both in the centre and in her state and has worked extensively in the areas of women empowerment, child development, gender equality, population, police and jail administration and rural development. She retired as Special Consultant in the Planning Commission where she looked after the women and child development, handlooms and handicrafts, north-east and voluntary sectors. She also worked with the United Nations Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM) South Asia as the deputy and, with UNFPA (United Nations Population Fund) as the Gender Specialist. Her areas of specialization are women's empowerment and gender equality, adolescents and early child care and development.


KIRAN MAZUMDAR-SHAW

A successful technocrat of global standing, Ms. Shaw heads India's leading Biotechnology enterprise, Biocon. She is highly respected in the corporate world and was recently named among TIME magazine's 100 most influential people in the world. Her pioneering efforts in biotechnology have drawn global recognition both for Indian Industry and Biocon.

Under her stewardship, Biocon has evolved from its inception in 1978 as an industrial enzymes company to a fully integrated Biopharmaceutical enterprise encompassing a well balanced business portfolio of products and services with a research focus on Diabetes, Oncology and Auto-immune disease.

Ms. Shaw is the recipient of several prestigious awards including the Nikkei Asia Prize, 2009 for Regional Growth, Express Pharmaceutical Leadership Summit Award 2009 for Dynamic Entrepreneur, the Economic Times 'Businesswoman of the Year', the 'Veuve Clicquot Initiative For Economic Development For Asia, Ernst & Young's Entrepreneur of the Year Award for Life Sciences & Healthcare, 'Technology Pioneer' recognition by World Economic Forum and The Indian Chamber of Commerce Lifetime Achievement Award. Her most cherished awards are the national awards, PADMASHRI (1989) and PADMA BHUSHAN (2005) presented to her by the President of India, for her pioneering efforts in Industrial Biotechnology.


PRIYA PAUL

Art collector and design aficionado, Priya Paul is Chairperson of Apeejay Surrendra Park Hotels in India.

Priya Paul is Executive Committee Member and Ex-President of the Hotel Association of India. She is a keen follower of issues related to tourism in India and is on the board of the National Tourism Advisory Council. She is a founding member of the World Travel and Tourism Council – India Initiative, and a Trustee of the India Foundation for the Arts (IFA) and Chairperson, South Asia Women's Fund. Furthermore, she holds membership with the Young President's Organization (YPO) and is on the Advisory Board of Directors for the Indian Institute of Management in Lucknow.

A four-time nominee as Business Woman of the year by The Economic Times, Paul received the FHRAI (Federation of Hotel and Restaurant Association of India) Entrepreneur of the Year Award in 2000, was recognized by Forbes online as one of India's 100 most powerful business women in 2006, and took home the Zee Astitva Award in the Business category in 2008. She has also been awarded the 'Spa Personality of the Year' for the year 2009-2010 and India Today Woman in Business Award for 2009-2010


RAHUL BOSE

Rahul Bose is a film and theatre actor of great repute. His film career took off with the unprecedented success of his first film, 'English, August', today a cultish favourite amongst cinephiles. Acclaim followed for his work in movies like 'Split Wide Open' (Best Actor, Singapore Film Festival, 2000), Mr. And Mrs. Iyer, and 'Jhankaar Beats' – all international award-winning films. Although 'Thakshak' and 'Chameli' may be considered to be more mainstream, his image as India's premier actor of the alternative cinema finds concurrence across the world. 'Time' magazine called him 'the superstar of Indian art house cinema' while 'Maxim' (Italy), 'the Sean Penn of Oriental cinema'.

Rahul's social concerns occupy an equally important space in his consciousness. In 2007 he started his own non-profit organization, The Foundation, an NGO dedicated to the removal of discrimination from all walks of life. Rahul has engaged with several initiatives to address environment concerns and climate change. He was involved with post-Tsunami relief efforts for which he was awarded the Godfrey Phillips Prize for Bravery in Social Service. His efforts in the fields of gender equality, communal harmony and non-discrimination have been recognized with Oxfam International appointing him as their latest Global Ambassador.

An acclaimed speaker Rahul has delivered talks across the world. He continues to write prolifically on issue ranging from gender equality to the future of Indian cinema.


DR. SYEDA SAIYIDAIN HAMEED

Dr. Syeda Saiyidain Hameed is a Member of the Planning Commission of India. She is a feminist and writer, who is widely recognized for her passionate engagement in public affairs and social issues, especially for women, minorities and peace. She is the Founder Member of the Muslim Women's Forum and a Founder Trustee of the Women's Initiative for Peace in South Asia.

MAJOR AWARDS

Padma Shri, 2007

Al-Ameen All India Community Leadership Award 2006


DR. ROHAN D'SOUZA

Dr. Rohan D'Souza is Assistant Professor at the Centre for Studies in Science Policy. He was awarded his PhD from the Centre for Historical Studies at Jawaharlal Nehru University. He is the author of Drowned and Dammed: Colonial Capitalism and Flood control in Eastern India (1803-1946), Oxford University Press, 2006. His edited books include The British Empire and the Natural World: Environmental Encounters in South Asia (Oxford University Press, 2011) and Environment, Technology and Development: Critical and subversive essays (Orient BlackSwan: Hyderabad, 2012). His interests and research publications cover themes in environmental history, conservation, ecological politics, sustainable development and modern technology.

Rohan D'Souza has held postdoctoral fellowships at Yale University (Agrarian Studies Program) and University of California, Berkeley (the Ciriacy-Wantrup fellow). He was also a senior research associate at the Centre for World Environmental History (University of Sussex) and visiting fellow at the Resources Management Asia-Pacific (Australian National University). He was recently awarded the Short Term Chair at the University of Tokyo (Japan) as Visiting Professor of Contemporary Indian Studies by the Indian Council for Cultural Relations (2012).


DR. (MRS.) INDRANI GANGULI
Emeritus Consultant Professor GRIPMER

MBBS (Cal), MD (AIIMS), FICMCH, FICOG, FIMSA

Head of Department & Chairperson,

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- Vice President FOGSI (Elect 2014)

- Governing council member ICOG 2009 till date
- President AOGD 2008-2009
- Executive member of AOGD till date

- Past member of FOGSI CME Committee
- Past Member of Geriatric, FOGSI
- President NARCHI 2004-2006 (Delhi)

- Past Member of International Academic Exchange Committee FOGSI
- Co – Chairperson AICOG, 2008 Delhi

- Secretary Indian Menopause Society (Delhi Chapter) 2007- 2009 .
- Scientific Chairperson for FAOPS 2010

- President Elect All India NARCHI 2014-16
- Executive member of Board of Management (SGRH)

- Life Member of AOGD/ FOGSI, National Association of Reproductive & Child Health (NARCHI), Life Member of Indian Menopause Society (IMS), Life member ISOPARB, Life Member of Indian Society of Oncology, Life member of AGOICON & AGOI, Life Member of the Indian Association of Gynecological Endoscopists

- Colposcopy, Oncology, Endoscopic Surgery, Geriatric Medicine, High-Risk Pregnancies are of special interest to her.


AMITA V. JOSEPH

Amita V. Joseph has an educational background in Management (PDGM), Law (LLB) from Delhi University) Post graduation in Human Rights Law (Law Institute). Amita has worked in the Corporate, legal & Development sectors for three decades. Amita has worked as Program Manager for South Asia with responsibility for India, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh & Nepal, as Social Development Adviser with DFID, Country Director with Global Alliance, amongst other assignments - EED for South Asia partners, SCF, etc.

She developed India's first MDP on CSR at the Indian Institute of Foreign Trade in 2008 & this is an annual course where she has taught. Amita has been a member of the group that started work on homelessness in 1999 & was also part of the Homeless policy drafting group.

Her CSR case studies co authored with Proff Gupta of IIM Bangalore has been accepted by Ivey Business School, Ontario & the case study on Magarpatta is part of the working papers of IIM Bangalore. Amita writes, teaches, trains & works on Legal advice supporting Public Interest Litigations that has challenged environmental pollution, electoral rights, homelessness amongst other issues & been a jury member on public & consumer voice & on challenged. She has written for the Financial express, Responsible Standard, Outlook Magazine, Civil Society, Seminar & Consumer Voice Magazine, etc. Amita is on the Board of Centre for Responsible Business, with SRUTI, with MESH (Maximizing Employment to Serve the Handicapped) & Director BCF. She is a member of the expert group set up by IICA on the CSR Guidelines for industry & presently completing her PhD with Deakin University, Australia