

Curriculum Vitae

DR SUNITA GANDHI

1. PERSONAL INFORMATION

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2. ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

Ph.D. in Physics, Trinity College, Cambridge University, UK*	1987
B.Sc. (Hons.) in Physics, Imperial College, London University, UK	1983
B.Ed., Lucknow University, UP, India**	2015
A-Levels, Peterborough Technical College, UK	1980
Middle & High School, St. Agnes' Loreto, Lucknow, India	1975-78
Primary School, City Montessori School, Lucknow, India	1965-1974

*Here she received three merit based scholarships: Trinity College Scholarship, Overseas Student Award, and the Cambridge Commonwealth Trust Scholarship

**Undertaken after coming back to India

3. CAREER SUMMARY

Vice-Chairman, India Literacy Board (3-year Term)	2021 Onwards
President, Dignity Education Vision International (DEVI Sansthan), India*	2014-Present
President, Islensku menntasamtokin ses, Hafnarfjordur, Iceland	2000-Present
President, Council for Global Education, USA	1998-Present
Economist, The World Bank, Washington, DC, USA**	1988-1998
Research Scientist, Lawrence Berkeley Laboratories, Berkeley University, USA	1987-1988

*Founded by Sunita Gandhi in 1992 on a visit to India; became its President in 2014; started the Global Dream Leave No One Behind Campaign for Literacy in 2014 of which she is the Lead-Worker

**Selected in the highly competitive Young Professionals Program (YPP) at the World Bank

4. OTHER AFFILIATIONS IN INDIA

Member, Confederation of Indian Industries, National Committee on Education	2016-Present
Director, Global Education & Training Institute, and TARGETplus Education India	2016-Present
Hon. Chief Academic Advisor, City Montessori School, Lucknow, India	2007-Present
Director, City International Schools, India	2007-Present
Director, Global Classroom, Lucknow, India*	2006-Present

* These other institutions serve as laboratory for experimental work in education. About 500 schools in India use training, curriculum and assessments made by her, or under her direction. She has given her franchise to more than 20 schools across India and is incubating an education based on the principle of 'Compete with Yourself!'

5. AWARDS & RECOGNITIONS

Shining World Caring Award, The Supreme Master Ching Hai International Association, Taiwan*	2020
Best Woman Start-up Entrepreneur, IIM Lucknow	2019
Visionary of Uttar Pradesh Award**	2017
Visionary of Uttar Pradesh Video, DainikBhaskar.com	2017
Honorary Doctorate, University of Vietnam	2015
Educator of the Year, India Book of Records	2014
Most Outstanding Contribution to Development Award, World Bank***	1996

*With a gift of USD 15,000

**Given by the two Deputy Chief Ministers of Uttar Pradesh, organized by DainikBhaskar.com, along with Visionaries of Uttar Pradesh Video <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DO2NiScsSM0>

***Given for Project in Morocco on Participation of Women was showcased as one of top three from the World Bank at the UN Summit, Copenhagen in 1996

6. PUBLICATIONS

Morocco: Enhancing the Participation of Women in Development, Chapter 2, The Participation Sourcebook, World Bank, 1996, ISBN 0-82113-3558-

<https://documents1.worldbank.org/curated/en/289471468741587739/pdf/multi-page.pdf>

Gandhi S. (2017) Compete With Yourself (CWY): Maximising Learning Gain in Schools. In: Hughes G. (eds) Ipsative Assessment and Personal Learning Gain. Palgrave Macmillan, London.
https://link.springer.com/chapter/10.1057%2F978-1-137-56502-0_11

World Bank Policy Paper: Energy Efficiency and Conservation in the Developing World, The World Bank's Role, 1993, ISBN 0-8213-2317-2, Robert J. Saunders & Sunita Gandhi
<http://documents1.worldbank.org/curated/ru/697871468139770633/pdf/multi-page.pdf>

7. WORKING PAPERS, BOOK & REPORTS

Research Paper:

- The Inconvenient Truth of Illiteracy Inequality: The Sociodemographic Disadvantage, Thomas Delaney, Dr. Kaaren Mathias, Dr. Sunita Gandhi, Linda Seefeldt, Economic & Political Weekly, India (Accepted for Publishing in 2021)

Book Chapter:

- Gandhi S. (2017) Compete With Yourself (CWY): Maximising Learning Gain in Schools. In: Hughes G. (eds) Ipsative Assessment and Personal Learning Gain. Palgrave Macmillan, London.
https://doi.org/10.1057/978-1-137-56502-0_11

Book:

- Literacy Now, Bloomsbury India, 2021 (In Publishing Process)

Reports:

- Why Can't the Children Read, 2019*
- Accelerating Adult Literacy, 2019*

*Based on first-hand literacy survey of 1.5 million individuals 6-60 years of age in 396,000 households, by Dr. Sunita Gandhi

Opinion Editorials and Articles

- In Several Newspapers & Magazines

8. INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES & WORK TRAVELS

Keynote, BETT ASIA, Malaysia	2018
Keynote, International Education Conference, Thailand	2017
Keynote, Annual Conference, Finnish National Board of Education, Finland	2013
Keynote, Australian Montessori Education Conference, Australia	2009
Keynote, International Education Conference, Hawaii	2000
Keynote and Roundtable Host, State-of-the-World-Forum, Ireland	2000

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Keynote, UN Summit, Copenhagen, Denmark	1996
Keynote, UN Women's Conference, Jordan	1993
Keynote, A New Framework for Education, Finland	1992

Speaker and participant in many conferences in several countries on issues of literacy, education, a new framework for education, and education policy, among others

Convenor, Ed Leadership International Roundtable Conferences* 2008-Present

*This year's 13th Ed Leadership Conference was on the theme: The Power of Change, Inspiring the Teacher Within. This was India's biggest education conference of India with 85 speakers from 37 countries, with over 19,000 educators from 50 countries participating.

9. INTERNATIONAL VISITS & WORK

Dr. Gandhi has worked in or travelled to study education systems in these 49 countries:

Australia	Ireland	Poland
Austria	Israel	S. Korea
Azerbaijan	Italy	Singapore
Bangladesh	Jamaica	Sweden
Belgium	Japan	Switzerland
Canada	Jordan	Tajikistan
China	Karakalpak Stan	Tanzania
Czech Republic	Kazakhstan	Thailand
Denmark	Kenya	The Philippines
Finland	Kyrgyzstan	Turkey
France	Malaysia	Uganda
Germany	Mexico	UK
Hong Kong	Morocco	USA
Hungary	Nepal	Uzbekistan
Iceland	Netherlands	Zimbabwe
India	New Zealand	
Iran	Norway	