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To,

Additional Municipal Commissioner (Projects)

Shri M. K. Srivastava

Dear Sir,

CONGRATULATIONS!!

It was great to read the good news about the multi-crore Educational Quality Improvement Project envisaged by you. It is heartening to know you have looked at it from different angles, taking into consideration playgrounds, multi-lingual libraries, language labs, and even multi-media classrooms. Fantastic!!

I do hope we have dedicated, committed heads of the schools as well as a qualified staff to bring all this into fruition.

Quality Education is the core issue that one needs to tackle, and if one wants quality education there must be qualified Teachers. Our Teacher Training programme needs to be upgraded so that the Teachers can deliver good education.

It so often happens in English medium schools, that Teachers themselves do not speak correctly, nor write

correctly. When this is the state of affairs how can good education be imparted?

I was wondering why one needs an advisory board for each ward. There could be a central advisory board whose recommendations all need to follow.

A great deal of planning, brainstorming could be had on the subject, but finally the policy adopted needs to be followed by all.

I would be willing to talk about these when you have the time.

I am interested in being on the Advisory Board.

I have thirty-three years of experience at the pre-primary as well as the primary level.

My resume is enclosed for your perusal.

Looking forward to hearing from you.

Yours faithfully
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cc Vinay Somani (Karnayoj)

R É S U M É

NAME : Ms. SHIRIN CHOKSEY

**EDUCATION : Post-Graduate in Human Development & Family Studies
[EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION]
Certificate Course in CO-COUNSELLING**

EXPERIENCE : Nirmala Niketan College of Home Science [1963- 67]

- Lecturer in Child Development/History of Education/Family Relationships
- Head of the Dept. of Human Development
- Introduced the Nursery School Teacher's Training Diploma Course

**Udyachal Pre-Primary & Primary School Run By
Godrej & Boyce Mfg. Co. Ltd. [1967 – 2001]**

- Headmistress of the Pre-Primary School ['67-'86]
- Principal of the Pre-Primary & Primary Schools [1986-2001]

Consultant Principal [2001 - 2004]

- The Titan School

Consultant [2004 till date]

- Udyachal Pre-Primary & Primary School, Mumbai
- The Titan School, Hosur
- The Sunshine Worldwide School, Goa
- Atul Vidhyalaya, Valsad

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE :

NATIONAL FORUMS:

Conducted Workshops and Read Papers on Pre-Primary & Primary Education for Principals, Teachers, Coordinators, Rural Workers & Govt. Representatives under the auspices of Indian Association of Pre-School Education [I.A.P.E] as well as various forums organized in Mumbai; on the following Topics :

- **Goals of The Early Childhood Years/Organizing and setting up a School**
- **Language Development in the Early Years**
- **Mathematics is Fun**
- **Science Experiences In The Early Years**
- **Creativity**
- **Music and Movement**
- **Quality Education**
- **Project Method**
- **Reading and Writing Readiness**
- **Alternatives to Reading and Writing at the Pre-Primary Stage**
- **Curriculum for the 3 to 6 Year Age Group**
- **Child as an Individual**
- **Integration in Schools**
- **Assessment without Examinations**
- **Administration and Supervision**
- **Co-Counseling**

INTERNATIONAL FORUMS:

Invited to Read Papers and Conduct Workshops under the auspices of Australian Early Childhood Association, World Forum in Early Care and Education and Organization Mondiale Pour l'Éducation Préscolaire [OMEP] in the following Countries:

Canberra, Australia [1988]

- **Effective Language, Learning and Teaching in a Multi-Cultural Atmosphere**
- **Music and Movement Workshop**

Arizona, U.S.A [1992]

- Language and Literacy [Panelist]

Yokohama, Japan [1995]

- Quality Curriculum for Quality Care and Education in the Early Childhood Years [Panelist]

Singapore [2000]

- Issues in Early Care and Education in West Asia

All the above Papers are published in Conference Proceedings

Indian School, Muscat [1997]

- Project Method
- Use of Puppets in the Classroom

Invited at Educational Meetings Organized by The Bombay Municipal Corporation, Maharashtra State Govt. as well as the Central Govt., to discuss Educational Policy Issues.

Co-Authored and Published a book on 'Guide to Principals'

INNOVATIONS : Developed Sequential Teaching-Aids for the Pre-Primary Level

- Visual Perception And Discrimination
- Auditory Perception And Discrimination
- Number Concepts
- Reasoning and Thinking

Introduced Sequential Teaching-Aids for Primary Level:

- Listening Games
- Grammar Games
- Reading Cards
- Reasoning and Thinking Cards

SPECIAL QUALIFICATIONS/SKILLS:

As Consultant For Pre-Primary & Primary Level :

- Setting up and Running Schools
- Organizing and Conducting In-Service Teacher's Training
- Child-Centred Education – Play way to Education
- Integration of Pre-Primary and Primary School Curriculum
- Integrating Subjects at the Primary Level to develop an Integrated Syllabus
- Methodology on Minimum Levels of Learning

LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS :

- MAYOR'S Award, Mumbai [1993]
- NATIONAL AWARD FOR TEACHERS – 1993 given by the President of India, Shri Shankar Dayal Sharma
- ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENT AWARD For 1997-98 given by The Dept. of Human Development and Family Studies, M S University of Baroda
- Listed in the Asian/American WHO'S WHO – Third Volume

LIFE MEMBER :

- Indian Association of Pre-School Education
- Organization Mondiale Pour l'Éducation Préscolaire
- Association of British Council Scholars

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