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## **CURRICULUM VITAE**

### **PERSONAL DATA**

Name	Inoka Priyadarshani
Date of birth	12 <sup>th</sup> May 1971
Marital status	Single
Nationality	Sri Lankan

### **PROFILE**

A strong commitment to work in the field in the area of peacebuilding with civil society organisations. Recognisable expertise in facilitation of peace building and Non -violent Conflict Resolution (NVCR), group dynamic training, CBO capacity building, research on social issues, assessment and evaluation.

### **MOTTO OF LIFE**

*"Stand for equality and be the change that I want to see in the world."*

### **EDUCATION**

2007 - 2010	MSC in Social Research Skills with Specialism – University of Ulster
2002 - 2003	Post Graduate Diploma in Conflict Resolution & Peace Preparedness conducted by University of Bradford through its programme office in Sri Lanka
1994-1997	Dept. of Sociology, University of Kelaniya B.A. (special) in Sociology Obtained a second upper class
1981 – 1990	Yapahuwa Maha Vidyalaya in Kurunegala district From grade 04 up to AL
1978 – 1981	Homagama Junior School in Colombo district From grade 01 to 03

### **EMPLOYMENT HISTORY**

<b>Since January 2011</b>	<b>Team Member</b> of Attitude Skills and Knowledge to Empower (ASKE)
<b>January 2008 to December 2010</b>	<b>Project Coordinator</b> of Development and Peace Sri Lanka Project implemented by Swisscontact Sri Lanka through its Project Field Office in Ampara.
<b>March 2004 to December 2007</b>	<b>Chief Counsellor</b> of Development and Peace Sri Lanka Project implemented by Swisscontact Sri Lanka through its Project Field Office in Ampara.
<b>June 2002 to January 2004</b>	<b>Project Officer</b> of AHIMSA: Centre for Conflict Resolution, 18A, Pelawatta Mawatha, Nugegoda

<b>May 2001 to May 2002</b>	<b>Research Bursary Holder</b> Under Oxfam GB Research Bursary Scheme for young scholars to carry out research on conflict issues.
<b>June 1999 to May 2000</b>	<b>Lecturer in Sociology</b> Dept of Social Sciences, University of Sabaragamuwa, Belihuloya, Sri Lanka
<b>October 1998 to May 1999</b>	<b>Project Officer</b> Women's Education & Research Centre, Colombo 06
<b>April 1998 to September 1998</b>	<b>Intern</b> Internship was offered by Centre for Human Rights attached to University of Colombo and work attached to Women's Education & Research Centre, Colombo 06
<b>November 1997 to March 1998</b>	<b>Field Investigator</b> Market Behaviour Lanka (pvt) Ltd, Colombo 05

## LANGUAGE SKILLS

Sinhala (Native)	Good speaking and writing
English	Good speaking and writing
Tamil	Fair speaking

## TRAINING DESIGNED:

1. Basic Non-violent Conflict Resolution Training for women CBO members who are female headed households in 2011
2. Seven capacity building modules for UNDP's Women Leadership Development Programme
3. LFA development & Project proposal writing for women leaders in 2010
4. Designing of training modules for the Women Leadership Development Programme implemented by UNDP in 2010
5. CBO capacity building in visioning in 2009
6. Youth club management 2009
7. SCSL counseling cycle modular training which includes 3 peacebuilding modules and 2 life skills development modules 2006 to 2008
8. Basic Non-violent Conflict Resolution Training for NGO field officers in 2006

## MODULES DEVELOPED:

1. LFA development & Project proposal writing for women leaders of Women Leadership Development Programme implemented by UNDP in 2010
2. Compilation counseling cycle modules in 2007
3. Women in conflict situation in 2001

## SELECTED PUBLICATIONS:

1. Engendering abilities: Context and needs assessment of women in leadership and decision-making in Ampara 2011 – published by UNDP
2. Samanawewa: A disaster published by Centre for Society and Religion 2002
3. Problems faced by Female workers at Free Trade Zone published by Centre for Society and Religion 1999

**TRAINING ATTENDED:**

1. Do No Harm TOT in Sinhala conducted by Conflict Sensitivity Consortium in August 2011
2. Exposure training on Local capacities for peace / Do No Harm conducted by Conflict Sensitivity Consortium in March 2011
3. Local capacities for peace / Do No Harm conducted by Conflict Sensitivity Consortium in January 2011
4. "Money for Women Peacemakers and impact of women peace work" consultation held in May 2008 in Netherlands by the Women Peacemakers Programme of International Fellowship of Reconciliation
5. Results based Monitoring by Heidrun Glide from 29 May to 01 June and 4 to 7 September 2007 organised by Swisscontact Sri Lanka
6. One month training on follow up on the TOT on gender sensitive active non-violence in August in 2003 Netherlands by the Women Peacemakers Programme of International Fellowship of Reconciliation
7. Management skills course conducted by MDF South Asia in 2004
8. Good Training Design & Delivery conducted by Swisscontact Sri Lanka in 2004
9. Inter-communal dialogue and peace building conducted by Karuna Centre for Peace Building in USA and Alliance for Peace and Integration in Colombo in 2003
10. One month TOT on gender sensitive active non-violence in September 2002 in Germany conducted by the Women Peacemakers Programme of International Fellowship of Reconciliation
11. One month training on Value based non violence for young adults in August 2001 in Germany conducted by German branch of International Fellowship of Reconciliation
12. Integrating gender into teacher training programme conducted by Women's Education & Research Centre in 2001
13. Research Methodology Training workshop for young social scientist conducted by National Science Foundation in 2000

**RESEARCH & EVALUATIONS:**

1. End of project evaluation of Clay Pottery kiln project of Swisscontact Sri Lanka 2010/2011.
2. Engendering abilities: Context and needs assessment of women in leadership and decision-making in Ampara – December 2009 – January 2010. A need assessment carried out for UNDP TRP together with Ms. Kundhavi Balachandran
3. Counselling cycle approach as a tool of peacebuilding and reconciliation at community level - Independent research project in fulfilment of M.Sc. in Social Research Skills requirements October 2009
4. Internal Midterm Review of Swisscontact Component of the Development and Peace Sri Lanka Project from March to June 2009
5. Violent conflicts between Tamils and Muslims in Muttur as a part of Post Graduate Diploma in Conflict Resolution & Peace Preparedness conducted by University of Bradford through its programme office in Sri Lanka in 2003/04
6. Local consultant for the Peace and Conflict Impact Assessment of Development and Peace Sri Lanka project implemented by Helvetas and Swisscontact in 2003

7. Peacebuilding potentials between Muslims and Sinhalese in Kalutara district under the research bursary scheme of Oxfam GB in 2001 to 2002
8. Problems faced by female garment factory workers in Katunayake commissioned by Centre for Society and Religion in 1998
9. Domestic violence as a violation of women's rights for Women's Education & Research Centre 1998

**TRAINING DELIVERED:**

Name of the training	When	Where (District it was conducted)	For whom
1. Introduction to Do No Harm	August 2011	Ampara	15 NGO staff members from different districts conducted by Conflict Sensitivity Consortium Sri Lanka
2. Follow up of Basic Non-violent Conflict Resolution	July 2011	Ampara	25 CBO members organized by Sarvodaya under the WLDP project implemented by UNDP
3. Basic Non-violent Conflict Resolution	March 2011	Ampara	25 CBO members organized by Sarvodaya under the WLDP project implemented by UNDP
4. LFA development & project proposal writing	October 2010	Tholangamuwa in Kegalle	Selected women leaders from Ampara district under WLDP of UNDP/TRP
5. Multi-ethnic youth camp on conflict resolution & peaceful co-existence	May 2010	MAS training Centre at Thulhiriya	Youth selected for the Development & Peace Sri Lanka project implemented by Swisscontact conducted together with 10 facilitators and 4 translators for 185 youth
6. Leadership training	April 2010	Damana in Ampara	Staff members of Divisional Secretariat Damana conducted together with Jay Senevirathne
7. Participatory Context and Needs Assessment workshop	January 2010	Oxfam training centre in Ampara	Selected women leaders from Ampara district under WLDP of UNDP/TRP
8. CBO capacity building in visioning	December 2009	Community Centre at Bakkiella at Uhana in Ampara	Self Help Group leaders of Sewalanka Foundation
9. Basic conflict resolution & mediation skills	May 2009	Sarvodaya Training Centre in Batticaloa	Youth club leaders attached to 11 youth clubs from Ampara & Batticaloa
10. Youth club management	February 2009	Oxfam training centre in Ampara	Youth club leaders attached to 11 youth clubs from Ampara & Batticaloa
11. Conflict sensitivity Training	September 2008	Centre for Human Development at Tholangamuwa	Field Officers attached Centre for Human Development from Kegalle, Nuwaraeliya, Anuradhapura, Kandy, Trincomalee, Batticaloa and Matara
12. Conflict analysis and Do No Harm	July 2008	Monty Guest House Ampara	Staff members of Swisscontact partner organizations from Ampara and Batticaloa
13. Career Guidance Counselling	October 2007	Dambulla Family Park	Staff members of Swisscontact Sri Lanka
14. Non-violent conflict resolution	August 2006	Dambulla Family Park	Field Officers of Swisscontact partner organisations
15. Non-violent conflict resolution	July 2003	Subodhi at Piliyandala	Youth club leaders from Akkaraipattu and Addalachchenai
16. Non-violent conflict resolution	September 2003	Arthacharya District Office at Hikkaduwa	Field officers attached to Arthacharya Foundation from Galle, Monaragala, Kurunegala & Nuwaraeliya
17. CBO leaders capacity building in NVCR	October 2003	Nagasthenna in Yatiyanthota	CBO leaders from Arthacharya Foundation
18. Gender sensitive peace building – Dialogue training	January to July 2003	ZOA Refugee Care community centre at Sivapuram in Muttur	Women CBO leaders from Sivapuram and Dehiwatta organized by ZOA Refugee Care

19. Applied theatre as a training method	September 2002	Kurve, Wustrow in Germany	Women peacemakers from Sri Lanka, India, Zimbabwe, Uganda and Eastern Europe organized by International Fellowship of Reconciliation
20. Non-violent conflict resolution	July 2002	Wayamba Training Centre at Wariyapola	Field officers attached Community Trust Fund from Trincomalee, Puttalam and Vavuniya

### AWARD RECEIVED

Special Merit award was awarded at the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Faculty of Social Sciences of the University of Kelaniya in 2006

### INTEREST

Travelling, photography & blogging

### REFERENCES

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I do hereby certify that the above mentioned particulars are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.



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