

RESUME OF Dr. M. MANIVANNAN

Dr. M. Manivannan is a good academician, able administrator and progressive researcher in the field of Education and Special Education. He hails from Venkatasamudram, a small village in the Papireddipatti Taluk in the district of Dharmapuri, Tamilnadu State. He obtained degrees of M.Sc. (Zoology), M.Ed. (Special Education), M.A. (History), M.A. (Psychology), PGDHE, Ph.D. (Education) from various Universities in India. He was awarded Gold Medal for his excellence in M.Ed. study in Sri Ramakrishna Mission Vidyalaya College of Education, Coimbaore during 1988-89.

He worked in schools as Special Teacher for children with visual impairment during 1989-1998 for which he was awarded the Best Teacher Award by the Chiristofferlblinden Mission (CBM), Germany. He worked as Lecturer and also served as Deputy Director during 1998-2004 at Sri Ramakrishna Mission Vidyalaya College of Education and International Human Resource Development Centre for the Disabled (IHRDC), Coimbatore respectively. Apart from teaching B.Ed. and M.Ed. programmes, he was also closely associated with the training of Primary Health Centre Doctors on disability management. He was involved in

conducting a national study in 2002-2004 on the Status of Services of Persons with Disabilities under the auspices of the National Institute for the Mentally Handicapped (NIMH) and the UNDP.

He also worked as Reader in Education in Avila College of Education, Cochin, Kerala during 2004-2005. He organized National Seminar at Avila College and compiled the proceedings. Later, he served as the Principal of Vellalar College of Education, Erode from September 2005 to June 2007. He produced cent percent results in the examinations. He was instrumental in launching a periodical newsletter.

He had been working as Associate Professor at Tamil Nadu Open University, Chennai since 2007. He headed the School Education. He is the founder-head of the School of Special Education and Rehabilitation at Tamil Nadu Open University (TNOU). He was involved in the establishment of Study Centres for various programmes offered by TNOU. He was one of the members in implementing special schemes in the University granted by Govt. of Tamil Nadu with the administrative sanctioning of Rs. 1.65 crores. He was involved by the Rehabilitation

Council of India (RCI), New Delhi in the development of National Level Curriculum Framework for Special Education.

He has served as the member of Executive Committees/Expert Committees at the National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS), and the Rehabilitation Council of India (RCI), New Delhi. He served as the member of Board of Studies of Tamil Nadu Open University, Andhra University, Bharathidasan University and Tamil University. He also served as the member of Expert Committee formed by the IGNOU, New Delhi for developing the course materials for B.Ed. and M.Ed. Special Education. He was one of the Experts in evaluating the SSA (IEDSS) of the Tamilnadu and the SSA (IED) of the MHRD, New Delhi in 2011-12. He is the registered professional in RCI, New Delhi for the service of persons with visual impairment.

He has published 9 books. He also published 30 articles in the area of Psychology, Special Education, Inclusive Education and Higher Education in the National and International Journals. He has guided 40 research studies at the M.Ed., M.Phil., and Ph.D. levels. He also served as a

member of Research Forum of Tamil Nadu Teachers Education University.

He has organized around 25 workshops and seminars in the field of Education and Special Education so far. He has attended around 50 conferences, seminars and workshops at the National and International level.

The CBM, Germany, sponsored him to attend South Asian Fund Raising Workshop at Nepal for serving persons with disabilities. He was sponsored by the International Council for Education of People with Visual Impairment (ICEVI) to attend its Golden Jubilee Conference held in the Netherlands in 2002.

He worked as the Controller of Examinations, Tamil Nadu Teachers Education University, Chennai from August 2013 to August 19, 2015. He conducted examinations for around 700 affiliated Colleges of Education in TamilNadu systematically. He used e-governance effectively for the examination systems.

He has been functioning as Registrar of Periyar University, a prestigious University, Salem since August 20, 2015. He has a vision striving for excellence in all activities of the University.

