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## **CONTRIBUTION OF THE CANDIDATE TO COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

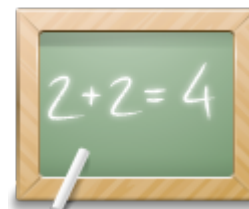
### Areas of Strength of the Candidate:

- + Youth Development
- + Agriculture
- + Environment
- + Education

The candidate is known for his activities in Tamil Nadu, India and abroad and his contribution in the above mentioned fields. He has been engaged in promoting harmony between nature and society fostering human security and happiness is one his main goals. He has dedicated his, life for the same. In lieu of this, he had been invited by the Kingdom of Jordan for the Global Meet on Reconciliation. He is a most sought person for programmes on community development throughout the world..

- The candidate is the Ambassador of India to the World Youth Bank since 2003, through which he has done many welfare programmes for the youth in the State of Tamil Nadu. In this capacity he had also organized various out reach programmes, training programmes, capacity building programmes, workshops and conferences for youth in the State of Tamil Nadu. In the capacity of the WYB Ambassador, the candidate is given the responsibility of managing and monitoring the elaboration of the constituent parts of “World Youth Bank Global Youth Reports”.
- The candidate is the Founder and Chairman of a Night School in Urban Slum area in Velachery, Chennai. The Night School was started in the year 1987 by him. Through this night school many local illiterate slum dwellers and pavement dwellers had gained literacy.
- He is also the Founder and President of Youth Welfare Association in Urban Slum Area, Velachery, Chennai.
- He had undertaken tree planting schemes as a march towards pollution-free environment in various places.
- He is been involved in conducting Medical Camps with regard to HIV-AIDs awareness programme, Eye, Polio, blood donation camps for the betterment of the society..
- Many uneducated street children have been benefited through his various Literacy camps.

- He is been engaged in frequently organizing Sports meets organized for youth and children, to nurture sportsmanship among them.



### DETAILED PROFILE

**Age & Date of Birth** : 45 years, 30-06-1967  
**Nationality** : Indian  
**Place of Birth** : **Chennai**

#### Education

| Degree | Subject   | University                              | Year of Passing |
|--------|-----------|---|-----------------|
| Ph.D.  | Sociology | University of Madras, Chennai           | 2007            |
| M.A.   | Sociology | Annamalai University,<br>Chidambaram    | 2002            |
| B.A.   | History   | Madurai Kamaraj<br>University, Madurai. | 1996            |

## Experience

**Administrative Experience** : **24 years**

**Academic & Research Experience** : **24 years**

**Involvement in Social Activities** : **27 years**

## Profession

❖ **Principal Scientist**, Youth and Sustainable Development Programme, at the M. S. Swaminathan Research Foundation since 1989 – till date.

❖ **Personal Secretary to Prof.Dr. M. S. Swaminathan**

## Awards / Distinctions/Honours

## International

- ❖ **Ambassador to India, World Youth Bank, (Head Quarters CROATIA) 2003 – till date**
- ❖ **Member, International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN)– CEC, 2005-2011**
- ❖ **Fellow, Indian Academy of Social Sciences, Allahabad**
- ❖ **Member, International Sustainable Development Centre, Geneva, 2010**
- ❖ **Members of Youth for Human Rights International - South Asia, 2010**
- ❖ **Member, Sixth Meeting of the AD HOC Advisory Committee, International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture, Rome, Italy 2010**
- ❖ **Member, Global Reconciliation, Australia 2009**
- ❖ **International Student Young Pugwash Board Member (Asian Representative), Italy 2003-2007**
- ❖ **Country Director, Youth Employment Summit, USA**
- ❖ **Member, Order of the Good Times, Nova Scotia, Halifax, Canada, 2004**
- ❖ **Member, Euro Mediterranean Youth Platform, Brazil**
- ❖ **Member, Taking IT Global, Canada**
- ❖ **Member, Global Youth Action Network, USA**
- ❖ **Member, Nichi-In Centre for Regenerative Medicine (NCRM), Chennai**
- ❖ **Member, Editorial Board, ISYP Journal on Science and World Affairs, Vol.1, Italy**

## National

- ❖ **Thiruvalluvar Award** for the Best Youth by World Thirukkural Center, Mylapore, Chennai.
- ❖ **Dr. Ambedhkar Best Youth Award** by Tamil Nadu Dr. Ambedhkar Mandram, Guindy, Chennai.
- ❖ **Best Youth** by The Hindu Newspaper, 1997.
- ❖ **Best Youth** in the week by Kalki (Tamil Weekly Magazine), 1998.
- ❖ **Best Youth** in the City by Rani (a Tamil Weekly Magazine), 1999.
- ❖ **Top Youth** in the City by Kumudam (a Tamil Weekly Magazine), 2001.
- ❖ **Best District Youth Award** by Nehru Yuva Kendra, Govt. of India, Chennai, 2001.
- ❖ **The Rotary Literacy Champion Award** by Rotary Club of Madras Chennapatna, Rotary International District 3230, 2002.
- ❖ **Outstanding Secretary Award** by The Stenographers' Guild, Chennai, 2004.
- ❖ **ROSE OF RIDVAN Community Service Award**, BAHAI Spiritual Assembly, Chennai, 2005.
- ❖ **"Star Achiever" Award and Gold Medal** by National Integrity Cultural Academy Chennai, 2009.
- ❖ **Krishi Bhushan Puraskar** by Maharashtra Yuva Shakti Samajik Santha, THANE, 2010.

- ❖ **“Glory of Education Excellence Award”** by International Institute of Education and Management for outstanding achievements in the field of education during December, 2011.
- ❖ **“Civil Society Karmaveer Puraskaar for Peace and Harmony”** by the International Co-ordination of NGO’s, during 2011.

### Honorary Positions - National / International

- ♣ Member Senate, University of Madras , Chennai ,from May 2013-
- ♣ **Member,Senate, Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli** from May 2010 – May 2013.
- ♣ **Member, Planning Board, Periyar University, Salem** from September 2010 – till date.
- ♣ **Member (District Level), Genetic Heritage Garden, Government of Tamil Nadu, October 2010 – till date.**
- ♣ **Member, 12<sup>th</sup> Five Year Plan – PDS Committee, Govt of Tamilnadu**
- ♣ **Member, Geographical Committee of the International Water Resources Association (India), 1993 – till date.**
- ♣ **Joint Secretary, Exnora Invitees Club (International), 1999 - till date.**
- ✚ **Member – Divisional Railway Users Consutative Committee, Southern Railway, Chennai from Jan 2011 to Till.**
- ♣ **President, Velachery Students Science Forum.**

- ♣ **Member in District Youth Programme Advisory Committee – Government of India, Nehru Yuva Kendra, Ministry of Human Resources Development.**
- ♣ **Member in Police and Public Committee, Velachery Area, Chennai, 1999 – till date.**
- ♣ **President Federation Chennai Women Self Help Group, Nehru Yuva Kendra, Besant Nagar, Chennai.**
- ♣ **Member, Nichi-In Centre for Regenerative Medicine (NCRM), Chennai.**
- ♣ **Member, Expert Committee The National Biodiversity Authority of India.**
- ♣ **Member, Advisory Committee, Doordarshan Kendra, Chennai.**
- ♣ **Member, Standing Committee, Protection of Plant Varieties and Farmers’ Right Authority, Govt. of India, New Delhi.**
- ♣ **Member, The Indian Science Congress Association, Kolkata.**
- ♣ **Member, Yes Alexandria Forum, Cambridge College, Alexandria, Egypt, 2007.**

## Publications

**Parasuraman, N. (2010)**  
*“Youth and Shaping the Future of Science for Societal Needs”*, Proceedings of the First Indian Youth Science Congress.

**Parasuraman, N. (2008)**  
*“Thittam”*  
 Chennai Declaration on making Hunger History,



Vol. 39, July, pp 42-45.

**Parasuraman, N.**

***Chapter titled “Food and Water Security: An Integrategy for food Security in Developing Countries”*** in the book “Technology Transfer Models Rainwater harvesting case study – MSSRF”, pp 350

**Parasuraman, N. (2006)**

***“PROFILE – Dr M S Swaminathan : The apostle of global peace, nutrition and food security,”***

Vol. 9/6, 40-42, January.

**N Parasuraman & Dr S Rajalakshmi, (2005)**

***“The Touch & Smell Garden”***,

Green Hope, Vol. 3, February, PP-41-42.

**N. Parasuraman & Dr G Krishnamoorthy (2005),**

***“M. S. Swaminathan – Father of Green Revolution”***,

Brahmin Today, Vol. 1, 8-11, 11<sup>th</sup> January.

**N. Parasuraman & Dr G Krishnamoorthy (2004),**

***“M. S. Swaminathan – Agriculture Scientist”***,

Greater Atlanta Tamil Sangam, 30-31, Directory.

**N. Parasuraman & Dr G Krishnamoorthy, (2003)**

***“M. S. Swaminathan – 45 Doctorate Awards”***,

Vivasaya Ulagam 5(6): 49-50.

***Research papers presented: National and International***

© ***Youth Problem in India at Global Youth Synergy Summit*** in the conference organized by World Youth Bank at Croatia on Jan 29-Feb 1 2003.

- © **“Involvement of grass-root institutions to link the water, energy and food security towards human development in Tamil Nadu, India – a model”**, 53<sup>rd</sup> Pugwash Conference Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada, 17-21 July 2003.
- © **“New Deal for Self-Help Employed for Youth Development”**, Conference on **“Youth Development and Self-Help Promotion: Experience of SAARC Countries”**, 20-23 October 2003, Dhaka, Bangladesh.
- © **“The 21<sup>st</sup> Century Star of Hope: Agricultural Scientist – M S Swaminathan”**, 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the Academy of Public Affairs on **“Tamil Nadu in the New Millennium: Challenges and Responses”**, 28 & 29 November 2003, University of Madras, Chennai.
- © **“Empowering the rural poor through Information access: towards sustainable development”**, ISYP 2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference "Towards a new paradigm of international governance", Seoul, South Korea, October 3-4, 2004.
- © **“Empowering the rural poor through Information access: towards sustainable development”**, 54<sup>th</sup> Pugwash Conference on Science and World Affairs. **“Bridging a Divided World Through International Cooperation and Disarmament**, Seoul, South Korea, October 4-9, 2004.
- © **“Every Child a Scientist Programme”**, 93<sup>rd</sup> Indian Science Congress, Rajendranagar, Hyderabad, January 3-7, 2006.
- © **“M S Swaminathan – The Apostle of Global Peace, Food and Nutritional Security”** ISYP and Pugwash Workshop on **“New Challenges to Human Security”**, Wageningen, The Netherlands, 14-18 June 2006.

- ⊙ A food security and human security perspective in developing countries – involvement of youth ISYP 4<sup>th</sup> International Conference on ***A Region in Transition: Peace and Reform in the Middle East*** at Cairo, Egypt, 9-10 November 2006.
- ⊙ A food security and human security perspective in developing countries – involvement of youth 56<sup>th</sup> Pugwash Conference on ***A Region in Transition: Peace and Reform in the Middle East*** at Cairo, Egypt, 11-15 November 2006.
- ⊙ Every Child a Scientist Programme, ***94<sup>th</sup> Indian Science Congress***, Chidambaram, January 3-7, 2007.
- ⊙ The Knowledge Revolution, ***The 8<sup>th</sup> Indian Science Communication Congress (ISCC-2008)***, Media Convergence & Knowledge Revolution at Chennai, December 10-14, 2008

### ***Workshops/Conferences/Seminars/Training Programmes Organized – National***

- ❖ 3<sup>rd</sup> Agriculture Leadership Summit, September 29-30, 2010 organised by Agriculture Today, New Delhi.
- ❖ 97<sup>th</sup> Indian Science Congress, 3-7 January 2010, Thiruvananthapuram.
- ❖ Rework India, Youth Employment Summit, 16 November 2009, New Delhi.

- ❖ 2<sup>nd</sup> Agriculture Leadership Summit 2009 organised by Agriculture Today, 4-5 September 2009, New Delhi.
- ❖ Regional Workshop on ICT in Agriculture, August 25 August 2009, NIRD, Hyderabad.
- ❖ Sanitation Conclave, The International Year of Sanitation , SACOSAN III, Thoraipakkam, Chennai, September 2-3, 2008.
- ❖ Workshop on Public Private Partnership on Energy Management System at CSIR Madras Complex, Chennai, 29 February 2008.
- ❖ "Every Child a Scientist Programme", 95<sup>th</sup> Indian Science Congress, Vizag, January 3-7, 2008.
- ❖ The First Youth Agricultural Science Congress, Organized by The National Academy of Agricultural Sciences and TNAU, 15<sup>th</sup> February 2007.
- ❖ Global Dialogues on Emerging Science and Technology : Policy and Global Affairs, "Agricultural Biotechnology for the Global Public Good, Chennai, October 4-6, 2006.
- ❖ Seminar on "Rising Convergences: Australia, India and East Asia", organized by the Australian High Commission in India on 15-16 September 2006 at Chennai.
- ❖ Seminar on Malaysia – India, Business Opportunities, Chennai, 15 September 2006.
- ❖ Workshop on Information Technology For the Rural Sector, participated in the event "Village Knowledge Centres – Experimental Sharing", Kancheepuram, 9 September 2006.
- ❖ 18<sup>th</sup> Ship for World Youth Program, Organized by the Japan Consulate General, Chennai, 30<sup>th</sup> January 2006.
- ❖ 93<sup>rd</sup> Indian Science Congress, ANGRAU, Rajendranagar, Hyderabad, 3-7 January 2006.

- ❖ State Level Workshop on Traditional Rain Water Harvesting Systems at Tamil Nadu, TWAD Board, Coimbatore, 7-9 December 2005.
- ❖ Programme on Youth affairs and Environment, Central Polytechnic College, Taramani, Chennai 7 November 2005.
- ❖ Social Awareness Programme on Global Warming, at Dwaraka Doss Goverdhan Doss Vaishnav College, Arumbakkam, Chennai, 7-8 October 2005.
- ❖ Technology Symposium on Disaster Management and Mitigation Technologies, organized by The Canadian Consulate, Chennai, T.Nagar, Chennai, 26 September 2005.
- ❖ National Conference on Youth Empowerment, Employment, Peace and Food”SASTRA ,Kumbakonam,Tamil Nadu, 4<sup>th</sup> September 2005.
- ❖ Swadeshi Study Camp, Swadeshi Jagaran Manch, Chennai. 12<sup>th</sup> February 2005.
- ❖ National Youth Day Celebration, Mother India Youth Club, Trichy, 12<sup>th</sup> January 2005.
- ❖ Conference on “Youth – the Ray of Hope”, Rajyoga Education & Research Foundation, Trichy, 11<sup>th</sup> December 2004.
- ❖ Fish for All, organized by MSSRF at Kolkata 18-19, December 2003.
- ❖ World Youth Peace Summit, Bangalore, 7-9 December 2003.
- ❖ 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the Academy of Public Affairs “Tamil Nadu in the New Millennium: Challenges and Responses” University of Madras, Chennai, 28 & 29 November 2003.
- ❖ International Seminar on “*Water Resources Development and Management in Through the Ages*” Dept. of History, University of Madras, Chennai March 26-28, 2003.

- ❖ State Level Workshop on Rural Water and Sanitation in Tamil Nadu: Moving Forward, Sharing of Experiences and Visions. Director of Rural Development, Chennai, January 9, 2003.
- ❖ National Commission for Youth: Interactive Session. Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India, Chennai. January 7-8, 2003.
- ❖ “Deshathukku Thol Kodungal” organized by Shanthi Ashram, Coimbatore, 2002.
- ❖ Awareness course on Environment and ISO 14000 series organized by Science City and Dharmambal Poly Technique for Women, Chennai, 2001.
- ❖ National Convention on Community Concern and Social well being organized by Rotary International 3230, Chennai, 2001.
- ❖ Seminar on Solar Architecture organized by Science City Ministry of Non-Conventional Energy South, Chennai, 2001.
- ❖ Youth week celebrations Nehru Yuva Kendra, Chennai, 2000.
- ❖ Youth awareness programme, Hyderabad, 1999.
- ❖ Youth Development Working Organized by World Thirukkural Federation, Chennai, 1998.
- ❖ Youth convention, Anna University, Chennai, 1997.
- ❖ Workshop on Social Service by Care forum, Chennai, 1997.

## **Workshops/Conferences/Seminars/Training Programmes Organized –Regional**

- ❖ Rainwater Harvesting in Science City organized by Directorate of Technical Education.
- ❖ Environment, Enrichment and Enforcement with special reverence to rainwater harvesting to Poly Technique Teachers, Chennai, 2001.
- ❖ Rainwater Harvesting to the Youth of NRC Volunteers of Nehru Yuva Kendra, 2001.
- ❖ Environment Pollution Control and Development to NCC students of Training Technology, Chennai, 2001
- ❖ Rain Water Harvesting to Student cum NSS Volunteers from Chemical Technology DOTE, Chennai, 2001.
- ❖ 5 days workshop on Youth Club Development organized for Club members of Nehru Yuva Kendra, Chennai, 2001.
- ❖ Organizing Secretary - Regional Conference on *Adequate Food for All*, MSSRF, Chennai, 8-11 March 2004.
- ❖ Organising Secretary : Consultation on "Food Insecurity: A great threat to human security" held at MSSRF, Chennai from 29 Jan - 1 Feb 2007.
- ❖ Organising Secretary : Workshop on Needs Assessment of Rural Youth – 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2007 at Dindigul.
- ❖ Organising Secretary : Rippies of Reform Asia and The Ramon Magsaysay Award, 2001. Magsaysay Awardees Conferences, 14-17 November 2007.
- ❖ Organising Secretary : Annual Dialogue “Attracting and Retaining Youth in Farming”, 14-16 March 2009, MSSRF, Chennai.

- ❖ Organising Secretary : First Indian Youth Science Congress, 5-7 June 2009, Sriperumbudur, Tamil Nadu
- ❖ Organising Secretary : Second Indian Youth Science Congress, 26-28 June 2010, SRM University, Chennai, Tamil Nadu
- ❖ Organising Secretary : Third Indian Youth Science Congress, 3-5 November 2011, NAAS, New Delhi
- ❖ Organising Secretary : Fourth Indian Youth Science Congress, 9-11 November 2012, Nagpur, Maharashtra.
- ❖ Organising Secretary : HLPE Steering Committee ( World Committee on FoodSecurity) – FAO 21-23 November 2012, Chennai
- ❖ Organising Secretary, ARYA Workshop-22 January 2013, Trichy

### ***Invited Talks and Programmes Participated- International***

- A Planet at Risk – a Partnership at Work organized by The Volvo Environment Prize Foundation and Columbia University, USA, October 25-26, 1999.
- Global Youth Synergy Summit, Organized by World Youth Bank, Jan 29 - Feb 1, 2003.
- International Conference on Globalization and Challenges for Education – Focus on Equity and Equality organized by NIEPA, New Delhi, 19-21 Feb 2003.
- ISYP 1<sup>st</sup> International Conference “Advancing Human Security” Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada, July 15- 17, 2003.



- 53<sup>rd</sup> Pugwash conference on Science and World Affairs. “Advancing Human Security” Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada, July 18- 22, 2003.
- Conference on “*Youth Development and Self-Help Promotion: Experience of SAARC Countries*” 20-23 October 2003, Dhaka, Bangladesh.
- ISYP 2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference "Towards a new paradigm of international governance", Seoul, South Korea, October 3-4, 2004.
- 54<sup>th</sup> Pugwash Conference on Science and World Affairs. “Bridging a Divided World Through International Cooperation and Disarmament, Seoul, South Korea, October 4-9, 2004.
- The Open University of Sri Lanka, Sri Lanka “Asian Round Table on Open and Distance Education for Attainment of Millennium Development Goals”, Colombo, Srilanka, 20-22 May 2005.
- ISYP and Pugwash Workshop on “New Challenges to Human Security”, Wageningen, The Netherlands, 14-18 June 2006.
- Inculcating eco-friendly entrepreneurship development skill among rural youth to eradicate poverty and hunger in developing countries, YES Alexandria 26-30, 2007.
- Workshop on “Using information technologies to empower rural communities to support their food security and defeat child hunger” 23 October – 1 November 2009, Santiago, Chile.
- Pathways to Reconciliation Summit Human Security through Community Engagement, Amman, Jordan, 14-17 December 2009.

***Academic and Professional Visits Abroad:***

USA, UK, Canada, South Korea, Netherlands, Egypt, Bangladesh, Srilanka, Jordan, Chile, China, Brazil, Italy, Malaysia.

## ***References***

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## Profile of Dr.Parasuramna Nagappan

Dr.Parasuramn Nagappan is a multi faceted personality. He is rendering yeomen service to the youth of this nation by serving as the ambassador of the world youth bank since 2003.

He is the Principal Scientist in the youth and sustainable development programme at the M S Swaminathan Research foundation since 1989. He is also the personal secretary to Prof. M.S.Swaminathan.

He earned his doctorate from the University of Madras in the year 2007.His administrative experience and his academic and research experience spans to over two decades. His involvement in social activities for community development and holistic growth of youth is spread over three decades.

The International Community has recognized his contribution to the Indian society and therefore has decorated him with various awards and accolades. Here to name a few, He is the member of several international bodies such as International Sustainable Development center –Geneva, Youth for human rights International –South Asia, Euro Mediterranean youth Platform- Brazil, and Global youth action network –USA.

He had been honored with the Thiruvalluvar Award, Dr.Ambedkar Best Youth Award, and The Rotary Literacy Champion Award, Outstanding secretary Award, Karma Veer Puraskar Award and Glory of Education Excellence Award and the list is endless.

He has been bestowed with innumerable honorary positions both at the national and international level. He is a Member of senate of Bharathidasan University and university of Madras, Member of Planning Board of Periyar University and a member of the committee on organic farming policy 2012 formulated by Govt of Tamilnadu. Apart from these prestigious memberships in which he plays a strategic role, he is also a member of the following entities.

Genetic Heritage Garden, PDS Committee, Agricultural committee of the Govt of Chhattisgarh, Geographical committee of international water resource association and many such bodies of repute.

He has published many articles in both national and international journals in topics ranging from agriculture to tracking biographies.

He has organized over 50 workshops, conferences, seminars and training programmes at the national and international levels in the domain of farming, youth welfare and empowerment, disaster management, water resource, global warming, rural water and sanitization, rainwater harvesting and food security.

He has been invited by several countries to share his intellectual and research acumen in the verticals of education, Human security, International governance, Distance Education and food and water.

He has strived for the betterment of youth development, agriculture, environment, education and social work all his life.

## Blurb of Dr.N.Parasuramn

*Raman knows about everything happening at the foundation, perhaps even what isn't. He is a key palyer, without him life would come to a halt here, grass would not grow in the beautiful inner yard, solar elements on top of the roof would knocked off, they would refuse to give energy to the computers, fish would stop spawning in the inner pond fed by monsoon rain. What is more ,There probably would not be any monsoon rain either.*

*- Andras Erdelyi*

*Although he is by no means a wealthy man himself ,Parasuramn's what else has realized the dreams of more than 120 children to have an education.*

*-Sprit of Scuccess*

*For the children from the hutments of velachery, the Dr. Ambedkar free night school is a dream comes true. The Volunteer –Teachers ably fill in the gaps in their education,*

*- The Hindu*

*Dr. Parasuram has been with MSSRF from the beginning and has been a storehouse of important archival material. His memory is phenomenal and he maintains historical record with meticulous care*

*- Prof Swaminathan*