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#### **Brief Profile**

***Dr. Varuna Tehlan Dahiya is an Associate Professor (Grade-pay 9000) in the Department of Education at Bhagat Phool Singh Women University, Khanpur Kalan, Sonipat, Haryana.*** She earned her Bachelor's degree in English Honors from Punjab University, Chandigarh, her Master's in Education from MDU Rohtak, and her PhD in Education from Kurukshetra University. ***Dr. Dahiya successfully cleared the UGC-NET-JRF in 2005 and completed her doctoral thesis in the field of Special Education in 2013.*** She has joined Department of Education, BPSMV as Assistant Professor on April 4, 2008.

She held the additional role ***of Assistant Dean of Student Welfare from 2018 to 2023.*** During her tenure, she adeptly organized various student elections, awareness campaigns, and cultural and academic programs at the university level. Her administrative acumen extends to serving on numerous committees at both departmental and university levels, including the ***Academic Council, Departmental Research Committee, and PGBOS.*** She has also convened and organized numerous national and international webinars, and spearheaded an interdisciplinary refresher course for assistant professors under the HRDC, BPSMV. In 2023, She assumed ***the role of Deputy Director of MMTTP at BPSMV,*** continuing her leadership until March 2024. Her expertise is frequently sought after as she has been invited to deliver extension lectures and serve as a resource person at various academic institutions, ***including Kurukshetra University, Jind University, Punjab University, HRDC, GJUST Hissar, SCERT, NCERT, and HIPA.*** Her contributions to academic and cultural events as a judge and subject expert are well-recognized, ***particularly in training 10,000 teachers across Haryana in inclusive education practices and pedagogies for inclusive classrooms. She has also been a subject expert for CBSE, NIVH, and other central bodies.*** She has extensive experience in supervising M.Ed., M.Phil., and PhD dissertations.

She is an expert in the development of ***MOOCs modules in Inclusive Education, an initiative by MHRD, developed by CIET, NCERT, New Delhi.*** She has contributed to creating a sensitization manual for school teachers on inclusive education, an initiative by the Haryana government (HIPA). Her academic contributions include numerous research papers and articles published in refereed and Scopus-indexed journals, covering areas such as Special Education, Inclusive Education, Educational Psychology, and Mental Health. She has also ***authored two referenced books*** in Special Education and Educational Psychology. She has represented her university at

prestigious international forums, including ***the 29th International Congress on Applied Psychology organized by ICAP in Montreal, Canada***, and ***the 2nd World Congress of the International Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Dance and Sport (IAHPEDS) in Tokyo, Japan***. Her contributions to the academic community continue to make a significant impact on the field of education.