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Sarbani began her journey of discovery in the field of Special Education in 1997 after a chance volunteering opportunity at a special school close to where she lived. She has been a passionate worker in the field of Autism since the past 23 years. This passion has led to her comprehensive grasp over the subject, and has led to the creation of the Bubbles Centre for Autism . This center runs a day care school program for children with Autism in the age group of 3 to 16 years. The centre collaborates with leading mainstream schools in Bangalore (like Delhi Public school, Canadian International school, Inventure academy etc) to create opportunities for inclusive learning environment.

She started "Pragati Towards Livelihood" a Pre Vocational skill training centre aimed at expanding horizons for young adults with Autism. This centre focuses on preparing skill equipped individuals towards a range of real world employment opportunities using Person centred approach.

Both these institutions have gained strong credibility in the eyes of well reputed institutions in the medical field related to Autism in India and abroad. She has experimented with international best practices in the field, to create a leading edge curriculum for the students / Trainees at both the Centres. She has undergone training in Structured Teaching (Chicago), PECS, PEERS, RDI after doing Diploma in Special education (Autism).

She is a recipient of Dr Amarnath Annual Award for Inclusion, in appreciation and honour of 22 years of committed contribution towards Inclusion.

She is the member of the Scientific Advisory Committee of Shree Chitra Tirunal institute of Medical sciences and Technology, Trivandrum.

She is on the Advisory Board of five other organisations in Kolkata, Mumbai, Bangalore and Trivandrum – Yash Charitable Trust (Mumbai), Cadree (Trivandrum), Samya Trust (Kolkata), Transcendent Knowledge Society (Kolkata) and Shishumangal (North Bengal). She is a strong advocate of Social Role valorization theory and has taken it as a crusade to create valued roles among individuals who are vulnerable, and a world where "everyone has a place and that place is honored" using Person centred approach.