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BRIEF BIO

PRABHA NAGARAJAN HAS BACHELORS DEGREES IN SOCIOLOGY AND LAW AND A MASTERS DEGREE IN BUSINESS MANAGEMENT .(BA BL , MBA) SHE HAS HELD SENIOR POSITIONS IN THE PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SECTOR IN INDIA AND HAS BEEN ACTIVELY INVOLVED IN THE SUSTAINABLE TEXTILES INDUSTRY FOR THE LAST 14 YEARS ..

SINCE MARCH 2006 SHE HAS BEEN THE REGIONAL DIRECTOR, INDIA FOR TEXTILE EXCHANGE , A GLOBAL NON PROFIT WORKING FOR SUSTAINABILITY IN TEXTILES AND HAS PLAYED AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN THE ORGANIC COTTON SECTOR IN INDIA , WORKING WITH A RANGE OF STAKEHOLDERS THAT INCLUDES PRODUCERS GROUPS, BRANDS , CERTIFICATION BODIES , MILLS AND GINS, WHILE ALSO LEVERAGING THIS FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE GLOBAL ORGANIC COTTON COMMUNITY..

POLICY AND ADVOCACY HAS BEEN A CRITICAL INTEREST, AND PRABHA HAS WORKED CLOSELY WITH THE MINISTRIES OF COMMERCE, AGRICULTURE AND TEXTILES OF THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA IN SUPPORTING THE SHAPING OF POLICIES AND IMPROVING THE INTEGRITY OF INDIAN ORGANIC COTTON.

SINCE 2008 PRABHA HAS ALSO BEEN AT THE FOREFRONT OF ADDRESSING THE ISSUE OF QUALITY SEEDS FOR NON GMO COTTON CULTIVATION WITH STAKEHOLDERS AND WITH POLICY MAKERS AND ALSO BEEN AN ACTIVE PARTICPANT IN THE GLOBAL SEED TASK FORCE.

CURRENTLY SHE ALSO LEADS THE ORGANIC AND FAIR COTTON SECRETARIAT, INDIA, A STAKEHOLDER INITIATIVE SUPPORTED BY THE C&A FOUNDATION, TO HELP CREATE A VIBRANT AND FOCUSSED ORGANIC COTTON STAKEHOLDER GROUP IN INDIA.