

## **Bio-data**

### **Devi Prasad (1921-2011)**

#### ***Gandhian, Educationist and Peace Worker***

Born on October 8, 1921 at Dehradun, Uttarakhand; edu. D.A.V. College, Dehra Dun, Viswa Bharati, Santiniketan; Career, participated in Quit India Movement, 1942, Bhoodan Movement in Uttar Pradesh and Maharashtra, 1953-54, War Resisters' International World Campaign Against the American War in Vietnam, 1966-72, Operation Omega - a project in support of the fight for freedom by the people of Bangladesh, 1971; Chairman, War Resisters' International (WRI), London; Secretary General, War Resisters' International (India), Secretary, Lansbury House Trust Fund London; Member, All India Board of Hindustani Talimi Sangh, Sevagram; Executive Committee, Sarva Seva Sangh, Varanasi; Follow up Committee : An International Consultation in Search of Non-Violence Alternatives, Belgium, Council Member, Peace Brigades International USA; Board of Directors, Peace News, London, etc. Died on 1 June 2011.

His publications include *Child-Art and Education* and *Bacchon ki Kala aur Shiksha* and his contribution as an editor of *Nai Talim*- an official journal of Hindustani Talimi Sangh, *War Resistance*- Quarterly Journal of the WRI and *Gandhi Marg*(Hindi)- official journal of the Gandhi Peace foundation.

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1	Papers relating to War Resister's International. Includes research paper entitled 'Who Are War Resisters', '50 Year of War Resistance: What Now?', 'Which Way, War Resister's International?', 'The Real Challenge Yet to be Faced', 'Aid and Development', 'Shanti Sena The Need of the Day', 'War and Religion', 'War Resister's International Comment on Peace Workers Exchange Programme – India, Europe and North America', etc.	[1916-96] (with gaps)	225	English
2	Papers relating to Peace Brigade International (PBI), Latin American countries. Includes monthly bulletin of Central America Project, circular of Central America Project Committee, minutes of (CAPC), conference on non-violent strategies for the Liberation of Latin America held in Colombia, seminar on non-violence held at the Caracas University, Venezuela, progress report of settlement of refugees in South America, etc. Also includes evolution report of Peace Brigade International (PBI) in Colombia, El Salvador, Nicaragua, Guatemala, Philadelphia, research papers of Devi Prasad entitled 'The Growth of Non-violent Social Change Movements in Latin America' and 'War Resisters' International and "The Third World"	1919-91 (with gaps)	784	In two part English

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3	Papers relating to Women Peace Union, Western Hemisphere (Canada). Includes report of Elnor Byrns of WPU on his trip to Washington during which senator Frazier promised to introduce The Women's Peace Union Amendment Bill, an article entitled 'What is the Women's Peace Union', published in the journal <i>No More War</i> , manifesto of Women Peace Brigade and a memorandum submitted by Women Peace Union urging a favorable report	1921-36 (with gaps)	45	English
4	Papers relating to Satyagraha. Includes research papers entitles 'Gandhi's Satyagraha a Short Study', 'Satyagraha the Art of Defying Oppression without Becoming Oppressors', 'Satyagraha According to Gandhi and Vinoba' and 'Gandhi's Emphasis on Self- Suffering and Service for Satyagraha to be Effective' and 'True Education is Education for Satyagraha'	[1960-80] (with gaps)	77	English
5	Papers relating to Nai Talim, Hindustani Talimi Sangh and Akhil Bhartiya Seva Seva Sangh (Sevagram, Wardha). Includes research papers entitled 'Gandhi's Nai Talim - A Reminder to Educators', 'Peace Education or Education for Peace', 'Gandhi the Educator', 'Education for a Non-violent Social Order', 'Education for a Peaceful World', 'Educating for Living Truthfully, Creatively and in Harmony with All Existence – Gandhi's View on Education', 'Education for Human Rights and Social Responsibility', 'Education for Peace', 'Design in Child Development', 'From Children's Angle', 'A Basis for Education', 'Why Art Education?', 'Experiences from Child Art', 'Kala aur Sanskriti', 'Half a Century of Studio Pottery', 'The State of Indian Pottery Today', 'The Indian Potter and His Future', 'Ravindranath and Lokashilp', 'Clay- My Great	[1960-2003] (with gaps)	655	In two part English and Hindi

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- contd. Friend', 'Work at Visva Bharati', 'Tagore's Paintings', 'Towards a Renaissance of Traditional Handicrafts in India', 'Nai Talim and Sevagram', etc. and also includes an evaluation report entitled 'Production of Low Cost Ceramic Products for Rural Sanitation, Drinking Water Supply and Housing with an Emphasis on Utilization of Locally Available Raw Material'
- 6 Papers relating to Peace Brigade International (PBI), Asian Countries. Includes Peace Initiative in the Gulf crisis, minutes of the meeting of the Project Committee for the Palestine/Israeli, memorandum of Palestinian and Israeli Project, evaluation of Peace Brigade International Southeast Asia program, proposal for mediation and conflict resolution teaching workshop, minutes of funding meeting of Asian Active Non-Violence Coordinating Team (AACT) held at Manila Philippines, 'India Pakistan Relations', 'The Episode of Goa', 'Notes on a Conversation with Michael Scott', and a report prepared by United States Committee for Refugees entitled 'The War is Growing Worse and Worse- Refugees and Displaced Persons on the Thai Burmese Border' 1962-91 (with gaps) 141 English
- 7 Papers relating to nuclear power. Includes research paper on 'Nuclear Power, Security and Development in India - An Overview' and an article 'Sarvodaya Movement and the Atom Bomb' 1964-82 87 English

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8	Papers relating to Peace Brigade International (PBI), Canada and USA. Includes development of Peace Brigade International Canada Project Training for Domestic Peace Brigades, an article entitled 'The Context and Rational for a Canadian Peace Brigade', minutes and decisions of meeting of the National Coordinating Committee (NCC), held in USA and proposal for North America Peace Brigade International	1964-91	173	English
9	Papers relating to Non-violence. Includes research papers entitled 'Non-violence Peace Building', 'Gandhi' Non-violence', 'Gandhi's Concept of Freedom', 'Non-violent Revolutionary Movements and State Aid', 'Jai Jagat – Hurdles', 'Rising Tensions and Non-violent Solution The Present and Future, Our Responsibility', 'An Effort to Put Different Aspect of Gandhi's Idea in Coherent Form', 'Why Non-violence?', 'How Much Violence? Can Power be Used with Justice? A Non-violent Revolutionary View', etc.	1970-91 (with gaps)	133	English
10	Papers relating to Peace Brigade International (PBI), Europe. Includes various reports on activities by European Group of Peace Brigade International, Northern Ireland, report from European Assembly in Switzerland, report on human right violation in labor camps and prisons of USSR , minutes of Peace Brigade International Council , Netherlands, etc. Also includes 'New Peace Brigade International Project: Help to Refugees Expulsed from Europe'	1981- 91 (with gaps)	417	English

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11	Papers relating to general rules relating to Peace Brigade International (PBI). Includes annual reports (1990-92), circular of PBI General Assembly, evolution of uniform project proposals, evolution procedure in organization, proposals for school of Human Development and Social Innovation, training and preparation for non-violent voluntary service and support to local initiative for peace, democracy and human rights, agenda of Peace Brigade International Directorate Conference calls and minutes, etc.	1982- 93 (with gaps)	1137	In three part English
12	Papers relating to Peace Brigade International, Sri Lanka. Includes various reports of meetings with Switzerland and other European countries regarding LTTE (Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam) activity, refugees, human rights, peace and training for non-violent services in Sri Lanka, evaluation reports of political and military situation in the eastern province, policy planning and implementation in Sri Lanka	[1984-94] (with gaps)	1438	In three part English
13	Project bulletins and newsletters of Peace Brigade International from various countries	1990-94	789	In two part English

## II Speeches/Writings/Articles by Him

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1	An article entitled 'Geography of the Peace Movement'	1962-63	2	Typed English

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2	Book review 'Sino- Indian War and the Peace Movements'	[1963]	12	Typed English
3	Draft article entitled 'The Sarvodaya Movement of India'	[1963/64]	8	Typed English
4	An article entitled 'Witch Hunting in Eastern Europe and How to Face it'	[1970]	3	Typed English
5	An article entitled 'The Pacifist Perspective on Social Change'	[1970]	4	Typed English
6	An article entitled 'Lenin and Gandhi: Contemporary Revolutionaries'	5 June 1970	40	Printed Published in <i>Review of International Affairs</i> , Volume XXI English
7	Report entitled 'The Peoples' Resistance in Bihar'	20 January 1975	12	Printed English
8	Research paper entitled 'India Today'	1978	16	Printed English
9	Summary report of all articles written by Devi Prasad in various magazines	[1979-85]	17	Typed English
10	Draft article entitled 'Gandhiji aur Aazadi'	[1980]	15	Handwritten Hindi



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11	Draft article entitled 'Shanti or Himsa ka Pratikar' probably written by Devi Prasad	[1980]	19	Typed Hindi
12	Background study material for, seminars and workshops on 'Gandhi and the Indian Renaissance'	8 July 1981	35	Typed English
13	An article entitled ' <i>Homage to Vinoba Bhave</i> '	February 1983	28	Printed Draft copy also available Published in <i>War Resisters International Newsletter</i> English
14	An article entitled 'Paschim ke Yudh Virodhi Aandolan'	1 August 1985	6	Printed Hindi
15	An article entitled 'Ekta ke Naam par Kya Chahate Ho? Banduke, Ghrina aur Phoot Ya Suraksha , Sahayog aur Shanti'	[1985]	13	Handwritten Hindi
16	Book review of Black ka Palayan – Humne George Black ko Mukti Kyu aur Kaise Dilai entitled 'Ek Bhav Apradh'	February 1990	4	Printed Hindi
17	Obituary entitled 'Tapan Gupta'	1991	1	Printed English

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18	Review of a book by Devi Prasad titled <i>Towards a National System of Education</i> by D.P. Nayar	January – March 1992	3	Printed English
19	An article entitled 'Ekta: Sadabhav Shanti Suraksha Aavashyak Ya Ghrina Hinsa aur Vighatan'	August 1992	6	Printed Published in <i>Asali Bharat</i> Hindi
20	An article entitled 'Do We Have the Will and Courage to Knock at Gandhi's Door?'	[1995]	14	Typed English
21	Draft article entitled 'Mahatma Gandhi & Our Times'	28-29 March 1997	2	Typed English
22	An article entitled 'Can We Accept the Challenge of Gandhi?'	April-September 1997	9	Printed Published in <i>Journal of Peace and Gandhian Studies</i> English
23	Book review of <i>Planning with the Poor the Non-violent Experiment of Danilo Dolci</i> by Eliana Riggio Chaudhuri	25 February 1999	6	Typed English
24	Draft article entitled 'Gandhiji Kal, Aj aur Kal'	Undated	7	Draft Handwritten Hindi
25	An article entitled 'Gandhiji ko Out of Date Kaha Ja Raha Hai'	Undated	4	Handwritten Hindi

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26	Book review 'The Third Way' ( <i>Gandhi's Truth – on the Origins of Militant Non-violence</i> by Erik H. Erikson)	Undated	10	Typed English
27	Film review 'GANDHI' entitled 'At Last There is a Good Film on Gandhi'	Undated	5	Handwritten English
28	Condolence message entitled 'Assassination of Martin Luther King The World Shocked and Dismayed'	Undated	3	Typed English
29	Condolence message entitled 'The Badshah Khan in London'	Undated	10	Typed English
30	Condolence message entitled 'J.C Kumarappa - A Crusader for World Peace'	Undated	7	Typed English
31	Condolence message entitled 'George Willoughby'	Undated	3	Typed English

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1	Untitled book review by Micheal Freeman of Rupert Funreaux's book entitled <i>Massacre at Amritsar</i>	[1963]	8	Typed English

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2	'Narayan Desai: Non-violent Revolutionary - A Diary of a Gandhian Educator' - a research paper by A. Paul Hare	8 February 1979	49	Printed English
3	'The Non-violent Movement in India Today- A Memorandum' to Peace Brigade International by Narayan Desai, Secretary, Peoples Committees	28 August 1981	5	Typed English