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Short CV: I obtained my BA and MA degrees in Sociology from University of Peradeniya in Sri Lanka. Subsequently, I obtained my PhD degree from the Institute of Social Studies, The Netherlands. I am the first female Professor in Sociology of the Department of Sociology at the University of Peradeniya. In addition, I am also working as the warden of the Hilda Obeysekara Hall. It is one of the largest student hostels of the University of Peradeniya. My research interests are: Environment, Migration, Gender. Take a look at my current research.

<u>Aspirations for IPAA</u>: To promote research activity in global level between academics as well as non-academics who interest for research; to make a strong bridge between current PhD students in ISS and PhD alumni; to establish country wise ISS alumni.