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## **EDUCATION**

1958 - Graduated from Reza Shah Kabir Girls' High School in Shiraz.

1958-1960 – Studied Persian Literature at University of Shiraz.

1960 – Pioneered to Kenya

1969-1970 – Took courses for credit in Islamic History, African Tradition in Religion, Religion in General at the University of East Africa, University College, Nairobi.

## **PUBLICATIONS**

### **Books**

*Leaves of the Twin Divine Trees – An in-depth Study of the Lives of Women Closely Related to the Báb and Bahá'u'lláh.* George Ronald Publisher, Oxford, 2008.

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“Sharh-i Mukhtaṣar-i Ḥayát va Khadamát-i Ayádíy-i Amru’lláh Amatu’l-Bahá Rúḥíyyih Khánum (A Brief Account of the Life and Services of Amatu’l-Bahá Rúḥíyyih Khánum), “Payám-i-Bahá’í”, Nos. 245 & 246 (Apr & May 2000).

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### **Translations:**

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**Languages:**

Persian, English, Arabic, Kiswahili.