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Areas of Specialization:

Digital Preservation, Digital Humanities, Digital Library, ICT application in Libraries.

Teaching Experience: 21 Years

- Department of Library & Inf. Science, Banaras Hindu University. Since 01 November 2007 till date.
- Department of Library & Information Science, Bundelkhand University, Jhansi. Since 1999 to 2007.
- Department of Library Science, Meerabai Women's Polytechnic (Govt. of NCT Delhi), New Delhi (Part time) 1998 to 1999.

Academic Qualification:

- Master of Library & Information Science (M.L.I.Sc.) in 1998 from University of Delhi, Delhi.
- Bachelor of Library & Information Science (B.L.I.Sc.) in 1997 from University of Delhi, Delhi.
- Diploma in Software Management (DSM) in 1998 from UPTRON ACL New Delhi (A U.P. State Govt. Co.).
- Master of Arts (M.A.) in Public Administration in 1995 from Dr. Hari Singh Gaur University, Sagar.
- Bachelor of Science (B.Sc.) in 1993 from Dr. Hari Singh Gaur University, Sagar.
- Intermediate in 1990 from U.P. Board of Secondary Education, Allahabad.
- High School in 1988 from U.P. Board of Secondary Education, Allahabad.

Research Degree and Experience:

- Ph.D. Degree awarded on "An Investigation on Web Enabling of Library Material in Open Learning System" from Department of Library and Information Science, Bundelkhand University, Jhansi (Supervisor: Dr. T.A.V. Murthy) in 2004.
- Dissertation (M.A.) on "*Organization and Management of Indian Institute of Public Administration*" supervised by Prof. S.P.Verma, Ex. Director, Indian Institute of Public Administration (IIPA), New Delhi in the Department of Political Science and Public Administration, Dr. H.S.Gaur University, Sagar in 1995.
- Project Report (M.L.I.Sc.) on "*On line and CD-ROM search services in selected special libraries of Delhi*" in the Department of Library and Information Science, University of Delhi (Supervisor: Prof.(Mrs.) S. P. Singh)in 1998.
- Supervised and awarded 07 Ph.D. scholars and 08 M.Phil. scholars in Library and Information Science

Research projects:

UGC Major Research Project entitled "Designing and Development of an Expert System for Character Recognition of Indian Manuscripts written in Brahmi script". Funding amount: Rs. 10,34,600/-. Status-Completed.

Publications:

- Research Articles/Book Chapters : 98 research papers published/accepted
- Books : 06 (Published)
- Guest Editor, "DESIDOC Journal of Library and Information Technology (DJLIT)" Impact Factor = 0.50
- Review Editor of one International Journal
- Associate Editor of two International Journals

Chaired Sessions, Delivered Keynote Speaker and Invited Speaker in Conference/Seminar/Workshop: More than 110 in count

Membership of Professional Bodies (National):

- Life member, Indian Library Association (ILA) since 1998.
- Life member, Society for Information Science (SIS) since 1999.
- Member, Ranganathan Research Circle (RRC), New Delhi since 1997.
- Life member, Indian Association of Teachers in Library & Inf. Science (IATLIS) since 2008.
- Life member, Indian Association Special Libraries & Information Centers (IASLIC) since 2010.
- Life member, People's Council of India since 2013.
- Life member, Indian Association of Social Sciences since 2013.

Membership of Professional Bodies (International):

- **Member, Standing Committee, Science and Technology Library Section, International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA),** The Hague, Nederland from 2009 to 2017 (Elected consecutively for two terms).
- **Member, Standing Committee, Metropolitan Library Section, International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA),** The Hague, Nederland from 2017 till date.
- **Chairman/Convener, Agricultural Libraries SIG, International Federation of Library Associations & Institutions (IFLA),** Hague, Nederland since 2013 to 2015 and again from 2015 to 2017. (Elected)

Awards and Recognitions:

- **Swedish International Development Agency (SIDA) Award/Grant** by International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA) in 2008.
- **Rashtra Bhasha Gaurav Award** provided by Akhil Bhartiya Hindi Sevi Sansthan, Allahabad in 2012.
- **Visiting Professor** (Under RUSA scheme), Department of Library and Information Science, Aligappa University, Karaikudi, Tamilnadu since 2018.

Countries Visited for Academic/Professional Assignments:

USA (Thrice), Russia (Twice), Canada, Finland, Germany, Slovakia, Hungary, Austria, Italy, Greece, Turkey, Switzerland, Singapore, Malaysia, Thailand, Nepal and Bhutan.

Professional/ Institutional Activities:

- **Elected Member, Academic Council of University of Delhi** in the academic year 1997-98 and 1998-1999.
- **Member, Executive Council** of Bundelkhand University, Jhansi from 2005 to 2007.
- **Member, Academic Council** of Bundelkhand University, Jhansi from 2000 to 2004.
- **Member, University Court** of Bundelkhand University, Jhansi from 2003 to 2007.
- **Member, Academic Council** of Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi from 2010 to 2013.
- **Member of University Proctorial Board as Assistant Proctor** in Bundelkhand University Jhansi since Oct. 2003 till Nov. 2007.
- **University Communication Officer** from 2005 to Nov. 2007 in Bundelkhand University, Jhansi.
- **Convener, University Examination (SFS)** from 2005 to Nov. 2007 in Bundelkhand University, Jhansi
- **Member, University Placement Cell** of Bundelkhand University, Jhansi from 2006 to Nov. 2007.
- **Warden, Samta Hostel** (Hostel of Institute of Engineering and Technology) of Bundelkhand University, Jhansi since 2006 to Nov. 2007.
- **Member, Vice Chancellor's Technical Cell** of Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi from 2008 to 2012.
- **Member, Library Modernization Committee** of Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi from 2009 to 2011. (Committee constituted for disbursement of Rs. 7,00,00,000/- [7 Crore] of 11th five year plan.)

- **Member, Web Review Committee** of Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi for controlling BHU web site from 2008 to 2012. *(Committee was assigned to review and control the web site of BHU)*
- **Convener, Content Development Sub-Committee** of Web Committee of Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi from 2009 to 2012.
- **Member, Planning and Program Committee (PPC)**, Department of Library and Information Science, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi since 2008 till date.
- **Administrative Warden, Birla 'A'**, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi from 2008 to 2012.
- **Member, Furniture Review Committee**, Banaras Hindu University from 2009-2014.
- **Head, Department of Library and Information Science, BHU** from June 2010 to May 2013. *(During my tenure one new Interdisciplinary M.A. in Manuscriptology and Palaeography [first interdisciplinary course in the faculty] was started in the year 2011)*
- **Member, XIIth Five Year Plan Evaluation Committee of the University**, Banaras Hindu University in 2012. *(The committee was constituted as per the Guidelines of University Grants Commission, New Delhi for assessing the financial requirements of all departments/units of BHU under the chairmanship of the Vice Chancellor)*
- **Member, Review Committee on Appointments in Library Sector of BHU**, Banaras Hindu University, 2012.
- **Coordinator of Hostels, Faculty of Arts**, Banaras Hindu University, since Jan. 2013 till Sept. 2015.
- **Member of the Core Committee** for the construction of proposed multi storied **International Hostel and Inter-Disciplinary Hostel of 500 rooms** from 2012 till 2014.
- **Member of Central Observation Committee** of UET/PET of Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi in 2017.
- **Co-coordinator, Examination Coordination Committee**, Faculty of Arts, BHU from 2018 till date.
- **Member, Faculty Grievance Committee** of Faculty of Arts, BHU since Jan. 2019.
- **Member, Space Review Committee**, Faculty of Arts, BHU since 2019.
- **Convener, Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC)** of Faculty of Arts, BHU, Varanasi since 2019.
- **Member, Departmental Council**, Department of Library and Information Science, Bundelkhand University, Jhansi from 2000 till Nov. 2007.
- **Member, Board of Studies**, Department of Library and Information Science, **Bundelkhand University**, Jhansi from 1999 till Nov. 2007.
- **Member, Departmental Council**, Department of Library and Information Science, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi since Nov. 2007 till date.
- **Member, Board of Studies, Library and Information Science of Mahatma Gandhi Kashi Vidyapeeth**, Varanasi from 2007 to 2009 and again from 2017 till date.
- **Member, Board of Studies**, Department of Library and Information Science, **Banaras Hindu University**, Varanasi since 2008 till date.
- **Member, Syllabus Revision Committee** for M.L.I.Sc. of **U.P. Rajarshi Tandon Open University**, Allahabad in 2009.
- **Member, Research and Development Committee of Library and Information Science of U.P. Rajarshi Tandon Open University**, Allahabad since 2011.
- **Member**, Committee for the Revision of Course Curriculum and Development of Study Material for Vocational Course (Library Science) of class XI & XII, **Central Board for Secondary Education**, Delhi from 2012 till 2017.
- **Member**, Committee for the Development of Course Curriculum and Study Material for Core Course (Library Science) of class XI & XII, **Central Board for Secondary Education**, New Delhi from 2013 till 2017.
- **Member, Curriculum Development Committee**, Library and Information Science of **Nalanda Open**

University, Patna since 2014 till date.

- **Member, Board of Studies**, Library and Information Science of **Mahatma Gandhi Antarrashtriya Vishwavidyalaya, Wardha** from 2014 to 2017.
- **Member, Library Advisory Committee** of **Mahatma Gandhi Antarrashtriya Hindi Vishwavidyalaya, Wardha** from 2014 to 2017.
- **Member, Board of Studies**, Library and Information Science of **Dev Sanskrit Vishwavidyalaya, Shantikunj, Haridwar** from 2015 till 2018.
- **Member, Board of Studies**, Library and Information Science of **Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Awadh University, Faizabad** from 2015 to till date.
- **Member, Committee of Courses (CoC)** of Library & Information Science of **Rajasthan University, Jaipur** since 2015 to 2018.
- **Member, Advisory Committee, Central Library** of **Mahatma Gandhi Kashi Vidyapeeth, Varanasi** from 2017 till date.
- **Member, Research Development Committee (RDC)** of Department of Library and Information Science of **Bundelkhand University, Jhansi** from 2017 till date.
- **Member, Board of Studies**, Library and Information Science of **University of Jammu, Jammu** from 2018 till date.
- **Member, Board of Studies**, Library and Information Science of **Dr. H. S. Gaur (Central) University, Sagar** from 2019 till date.

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