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Professional Summary

Associate Professor with over two decades of experience in Library and Information Science education, research, and administration. Skilled in innovative teaching methodologies, research guidance, and academic program coordination. Passionate about women empowerment, digital transformation in libraries, research citation management, and professional development, innovation in LIS education.

Education

- **PhD in Library and Information Science**, SNDT Women's University (2014)
- **MLISc (Master of Library and Information Science)**, SNDT Women's University (1999) - First Class
- **BLISc (Bachelor of Library and Information Science)**, SNDT Women's University (1998) - Ranked 3rd
- **B.Com (Bachelor of Commerce)**, M L Dahanukar College, Mumbai University (1997) - First Class
- **UGC NET Qualified** in Library and Information Science (1999)

Professional Experience

- **Associate Professor, SHPT School of Library Science, SNDT Women's University** (July 2000 - Present)
- Teaching MLISc and BLISc courses, specializing in Library Management, Information Processing, and Classification.
- Designed and implemented a Short-Term Course on **Citation Management in Research** (2024) under NEP 2020 guidelines.
- Research guide for PhD students; mentoring research on library science competencies, technology impact, and women librarians' professional development.
- Coordinator for MLISc Internship Programme for more than 10 years (2014-Present)
- Examiner for university-level LIS courses, including University of Mumbai, IGNOU, BAMU, Shivaji University, RTMNU

Innovative Pedagogies in Teaching and Assessment

- Mind Maps (Mindmeister, Conceptboard, Presentation slides)
- Padlet
- Online quizzes (Prof prof, Bamboozle, Kahoot, Google form)
- Group Discussion, Case Studies
- Role Play and activities
- Video Assignments (Filmora, Microsoft PPTs)
- Infographic

Research & Publications

Published over **27 research papers** in national and international journals and conferences, with key topics including:

- **LIS Skills**
- **Citation Management Tools & Bibliographic Studies**
- **Library Science Education & Blended Learning**
- **LIS User Studies**
- **Children Literature**

Key Publications:

- *Skills and Opportunities in Entrepreneurship in Libraries* (2024)
- *Unlocking imagination: Children's literature in the digital libraries* (2023)
- *Content Analysis of children's story reading websites: an evaluative study* (2021)
- *Transforming LIS Education through Blended Learning using Moodle* (2019)
- *Directory of Women Library Professionals in Academic Libraries*

Research Guidance & Projects

PhD Supervisor (2019 - Present): One Awarded in 2024 & guiding six PhD candidates in areas like Professional Development, LIS Skills, and Employer Perception of LIS graduates, Library Guides, Law Libraries,

PhD Thesis Reviewer and Examiner at BAMU, Shivaji University, RTMNU

PG Dissertations: Guided 37 PG students till 2024-25

Major Research Projects:

- **Gamification as an Assessment Tool in Library Science Education** (2023-24) - ₹3,35,000 grants (on-going)
- **Competencies among LIS Graduates of SNDTWU** (2017-2020) – ₹. 20,000 grants
- **Library and Information Needs of Reserved Category Students: a study of PG students of SNDT Women's University (2006-07)** - ₹. 17,000 grants

Awards & Honors

- **UGC Faculty Improvement Program Fellowship** (2011-2013)
- **Ranked 3rd in BLISc, SNDT Women's University** (1998)
- **Best Paper Award** for the research paper jointly written by Chavan Neelam and Bhabal Jyoti on 'Empowering India's Future: Developing a Digital Library for Nurturing Financial Literacy in Children' (2023) at the International Symposium on Digital Libraries: Sustainable Development in Education, held at IIT Kharagpur.

Professional Activities & Leadership

- **Associate Dean- Faculty of Interdisciplinary** (2025)
- **NAAC CR I Coordinator** (2023-24)
- **Campus Coordinator for** Short Term Courses under NEP 2020 Implementation (AY 2023-24)
- **Resource Person** at more than 40 sessions at workshops/faculty development programs/Research Coursework on Research Citation, Zotero, Indexing databases, Literature Review, Library Organization, Social Media in Libraries, etc.
- **Committee Member** in various academic and institutional bodies: Unfair Means, BOS, Annual Report Committee, Vision Committee, SUTTI Fellowship Scrutiny Committee, PhD Coursework Committee, NEP 2020 Implementation: Goals and Action Plan-Focus Area: Optimal Learning Environment and other
- **Conference Rapporteur General, Chair & Speaker** at international and national LIS conferences.
- **Subject Expert** in the panel of appointment and selection

International Engagements & Conferences

- Presented at **"Innovative Ideas in the field of Science, Engineering, Social Sciences and Humanity"(IISESSH 2022) Saigon (Ho Chi Minh City), Vietnam (2022).**
- Presented at **ATINER Annual Conference, Athens, Greece (2014)** on Academic Needs of Disadvantaged Professors.
- Participated in **Tenth International Conference on Grey Literature, Amsterdam, Netherlands (2008).**

Technical & Academic

- Moodle e-Content Management, Research Citation & Bibliography Management (Zotero)
- Book Classification
- Academic Curriculum Development, Open Access & Blended Learning with the use of Moodle and multiple ICT tools

Social Media

- Created and Manage FB page of SHPT School of Library Science
- Created and Manage YouTube Channel of SHPT School of Library Science

Community Engagement & Extension Activities

- Organised the school library collection of Vidya Vikas Mandal School
- Voluntary participation in organising library activities of VVM School and periodic sessions to develop Reading Habits amongst students at Vidya Vikas Mandal School, Andheri for last 7 years
- Training sessions at Muktangan Libraries (BMC Schools).

Professional Memberships

- Indian Library Association (**ILA**)
 - School Library Association (**SLA-India**)
 - Indian Association of Special Libraries and Information Centres (**IASLIC**)
 - Indian Association of Teachers in Library and Information Science (**IATLIS**)
 - Bombay Science Librarians Association (**BOSLA**)
 - SHPT School of Library Science Past Students Association
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