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Memoir in Honour of Prof. Muttayya M. Koganuramath

(Former Chairman of BOSLA 2002–2012)

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Bombay Science Librarians' Association (BOSLA)

In Collaboration with

SGPC's Guru Nanak Institute of Management Studies (GNIMS), Mumbai

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We invite original research papers from scholars, academicians, researchers, students, library professionals, and reminiscences from his peers, friends, colleagues to be published in Special Issue of **the *International E-Journal of Library Science* (ISSN: 2319-992X)**, and indexed in *LISA – Library and Information Science Abstracts*.

SPECIAL INVITATION

The Bombay Science Librarians' Association extends a special invitation to all recipients of the **BOSLA Prof. Muttayya M. Koganuramath Best Librarian Award** to contribute to this commemorative Special Issue.

Prof. Muttayya M. Koganuramath, an eminent scholar, distinguished librarian, visionary educator, and inspiring mentor whose remarkable contributions have significantly enriched the field of Library and Information Science (LIS). His dedication to academic excellence, research, professional development, and institution building has left an enduring legacy that continues to inspire generations of librarians, educators, researchers, and students.

To commemorate his life, celebrate his outstanding achievements, and honor his invaluable contributions to the library and information profession, the BOSLA, in collaboration with GNIMS, Mumbai, will publish a Special Issue during the upcoming BOSLA Annual Event.

About Prof. Muttayya M. Koganuramath (June 1, 1953 – May 30, 2026)

Prof. Muttayya M. Koganuramath was a distinguished Library and Information Science professional with more than three decades of experience in academic leadership, research, and library management. He served as Director General of the Basava International Information Centre, Basava Samiti, Bengaluru, and previously held prestigious positions at the Tata Institute of Social Sciences (TISS), Central University of Gujarat, Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU), and the National Institute of Technology (NIT), Surathkal. A Gold Medalist in Library and Information Science, he earned his MSc in Information Management from the University of Sheffield, United Kingdom, and completed his PhD in Information Seeking Behaviour. His pioneering work in digital libraries, information management, academic librarianship, and LIS education, together with his numerous books, research publications, funded projects, workshops, and leadership in professional associations, earned him national and international recognition.

About BOSLA: The Bombay Science Librarians' Association, established in October 1977, was founded to address the growing challenges confronting scientific libraries in India. During the mid-1970s, librarians recognized that existing library resources were inadequate to meet the expanding information needs of the scientific community. Escalating costs of scholarly publications, coupled with stagnant library budgets, made it increasingly difficult to provide comprehensive access to scientific literature. BOSLA emerged as a professional platform to promote resource sharing, foster collaboration among librarians, encourage professional development, and advocate innovative library and information services to effectively support scientific research, education, and knowledge dissemination.

About GNIMS: Established in 2002, SGPC's Guru Nanak Institute of Management Studies, Mumbai, is a premier management institution under the Shiromani Gurdwara Prabandhak Committee (SGPC's). Located at the G.N. Khalsa College campus, Matunga, GNIMS is approved by AICTE and affiliated with the University of Mumbai. The institute offers undergraduate, postgraduate, doctoral, and

executive programs in management and computer applications. With a strong emphasis on academic excellence, industry collaboration, research, innovation, and ethical leadership, GNIMS provides project-based learning, internship opportunities, and robust placement support, preparing students to excel as competent professionals and responsible global leaders.

THEMES OF SUBMISSION:

- **Research Papers:** Original research, review articles, and case studies in Library and Information Science, LIS Education, Digital Libraries, Knowledge Management, Academic Libraries, Information Technology in Libraries, and related areas.
- **Tribute Articles:** Personal reflections, memoirs, and essays celebrating his mentorship, vision, and impact on the library profession.

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5. Use Times New Roman, 12-point font, Single spacing, and A4 page size.
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