

BIODATA OF MR. YOGENDRA SINGH

Mr. Yogendra Singh, University Librarian IIT Roorkee (formerly University of Roorkee) obtained an M.Sc. in Zoology from Meerut University in 1974, gold medal in B.Lib.Sc. from Aligarh Muslim University in 1976 and a first class M.L.I.Sc. from Delhi University in 1983. He served Delhi administration during 1977-83, Indian Ports Association of Ministry of Shipping and Transport during 1983-84 before joining DRDO in 1984 as scientist. He worked with DRDO upto 1996 before joining his present assignment as University Librarian.

Mr. Singh had been an outstanding scholar through out his academic career. He was National Merit Scholar during 1968-72. He obtained first position in his B. Lib. Sc. He was a Fulbright Scholar during 1999-2000 to the University of Maryland USA. He was awarded 'Best Technical University Librarian of the Year' for 2003 by DSPBA. He was awarded prestigious Fellowship of SIS for 2004. He had been a member of the National Steering Committee of INDEST during 2005-2007. He is also a member of Springer Library Advisory Board.

Besides his normal responsibilities, he is actively involved in other academic activities of the Institutes as member of various bodies like Senate, Executive Committee of Senate, Institute Administrative Committee, Group Purchase Committee and other committees. During 2001-2004 he was the Co-coordinator of the Institute Superhighway Centre and made notable contributions in the expansion of IT services in the Institute.

He has 20 papers and two books to his credit besides a number of bibliographic and non-bibliographic computerization projects. He has visited various North American and European countries. He has organized three national and one international conference as well as more than thirty training workshops in various fields of LIS.

Mr. Singh's latest contribution to the profession is the state-of-art library building at IIT Roorkee. This building has got all modern amenities like air conditioning, a blend of modern as well as ancient architecture, wi-fi environment, e-resource room, OPAC corner, cyber room, server room, modern furnishing, imaging centre, discussion rooms, training room, conference room, cafeteria, round-the-clock reading room etc. Mr. Singh has been actively involved from conception to completion of this building.

Besides being an expert in library automation & networking and digital libraries, Mr. Singh is also known for his innovative methods in library management. He believes in the management principle of getting maximum output from least input. He tries to implement this theory in all library activities.