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Mr B P Prakash is currently the Director -Library Services at Ashoka University, Delhi–NCR, Sonepat. He has about 35 years of professional experience across national institutes, manufacturing sectors, research environments and global IT/ consulting firms.

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In his previous job at Tata Consultancy Services Ltd (TCS) he was heading and directing one of the largest & vibrant library networks in the globe with 125 professionals & 62 libraries. He made TCS IRC an industry leader through innovative processes, products & systems.

He successfully lead TCS IRC team to win the prestigious <u>'Centre of Excellence Award</u>' from the Business & Finance Division of SLA (Special Libraries Association) USA, in 2009. He is instrumental in TCS IRC team winning the first ever award for Best technology enabled Library-the <u>LibTech Award-2018</u>, instituted by the Informatics Group.

He has served has the <u>President of SLA Asian chapter</u> for the year 2011. He was bestowed with <u>'MANLIBNET Librarian of the year 2012'</u>, in recognition of his immense contribution to library and information science profession. He is on the Editorial Advisory Board of the Journal of Library Management

Prakash is very active in L&IS events, workshops and seminars across the country and strongly believes in sharing his experiences, best practices, and success stories. He has been member of committees, associations and task forces like the Tata Group, MYDLIS, ICoASL, ILA, ICADL, MANLIBNET, Informatics, MILAN, and SLA in Washington & Tokyo. He has successfully mobilized grants to many such National & International events.