



Bombay Science Librarians' Association

(Regi. No. BOM379/77, dated 9th March 1978)

BOSLA - Koganuramath Best Librarian Award

Preamble

The **BOSLA** was established during 1970s to share best practices amongst professionals and resources amongst the libraries for the benefit of users of their institutes. **BOSLA** has been in the forefront of L&IS profession in addressing various issues faced by the librarians and providing a platform to interact and exchange their thoughts with professional community and to organise conferences, seminars etc, for capacity building. The objective of the association is to encourage individual professionals and to promote the advancement and excellence in the practice of Librarianship.

The contributions of **Prof. M. M. Koganuramath**, as a professional, librarian, teacher, research guide, colleague, adviser and as a leader to the Association are outstanding and he has initiated several programs under the banner of **BOSLA** during his tenure as a Chairman. It is his generosity, and a great gesture, apart from professional contributions he has donated Rupees One Lakh towards organising capacity building programs and to encourage BOSLA members to excel in their career with adept knowledge.

One of the objectives of the **BOSLA** is to motivate inventions, best practices, use of technology in enhancing the library services and research to promote their application for the development of professional practices. With a view to promote the pursuit of excellence in the field of 'Librarianship', the Executive Committee has decided to institute an **award in the name of Prof. M. M. Koganuramath** and give away the award every year to distinguished contributor to the profession as a recognition and encouragement to professionals.

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The selection of the candidate for this Award will be made by a selection committee based on the following guidelines.

Guidelines

Eligibility:

- The award is open to all responsible librarians employed by university, college, school, public, special, and corporate libraries.
- The winner will receive the award based on their efforts and accomplishments as demonstrated in their application.
- At the time of application, the candidate must have been a BOSLA life member for five years in a row.
- While serving on a BOSLA committee, a member is not eligible to apply for the same.

Criteria:

- The award acknowledges applicants' contributions to the profession and Association, but it is not limited to:
- Particular accomplishments or sustained excellence in acquiring, organising, interpreting, and providing access to knowledge;
- Significant impact on the library profession and services.
- Consistently upholding the highest standards of librarianship to improve the activities and standard.
- Contributions in books, book chapters, and conference proceedings;
- Publication of research papers in national and international journals;
- Participation in national and international conferences for the presentation of papers.
- Personal and professional accomplishments
- Substantial support for their libraries and strong involvement in BOSLA events

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- Each year, just one Award will be given;
- each member and professional will only receive it once.

Submissions: Online

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdHgaq9sS4yimgBTgPzKr5Dj-LSnmkwBSY3O2h5htB6S8zaHw/viewform>

Any Queries contact:

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Documents: Brief narration about significant contributions in the profession should be submitted by the applicant. Copies of certificates of merit awards, recognitions and citations received in organizations to be submitted as documentary evidences.

Submission Date: 05th August 2025. The application received after this date will not be considered.

Selection Committee: The selection committee will be appointed by the Chairman of BOSLA. It will comprise of three/five members. The selection committee will scrutinize the applications, select and make recommendation to the Chairman who will take the final decision

Award Ceremony: The selected distinguished Librarian / LIS professional will be publicly honored with a Commemorative Award at the Award ceremony which will be held during the coming BOSLA event.

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