A Scholarly Review of Dr. P.S.G. Kumar's Library & Information Science Contributions

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Abstract

The demise of Dr. Pogula Sesha Giri Kumar sir on 3 January, 2025 is heartbreaking for all of us. He was completed his graduation in Agriculture. An agricultural scientist becoming a library and information science leader is really a unique combination. He is truly a karma Yogi in LIS and mentor for many professionals in India specially in Vidarbha. His contribution and impact on LIS profession is significant. The contribution made by Dr. P.S.G. Kumar in his professional tenure holds its own testimonials against those of the leading luminaries of the time. He is called as, "The Second Ranganathan". The Present Study focuses on the Dr P S G Kumar's Professional contributions in the field of Library & Information Science.



Through this study we would like to pay tributes to Dr. P.S.G Kumar and salute to his great contributions to the LIS profession. We lost a prolific writer, a visionary legend and a mentor.

Introduction

Dr. P.S.G. Kumar's contributions in the field of Library and Information Science from 1973 – 2004 have universally been acclaimed as main stream around which all his other works revolve. He is pioneer documentalist, information scientist and academician of high order. He has made significant contributions to the national librarianship, integration, journalism, development of theory and practice in Library and Information Science. Dr. P.S.G. Kumar's achievements are not only confined to one or two aspects of librarianship and information science but to all branches of this field. He is an association by himself although he established a good number of Library Associations for the betterment of the people of this country. He is the living symbol of learned Rishis.

Dr. P.S.G. Kumar "Emeritus Fellow" has been regarded as one of the renowned Information Scientists of India because of his manifold contributions in the field of Librarianship, Library and Information Science. He achieved distinction by hard work, single minded devotion, determination, and dedication to the cause of Librarianship.

Pogula Sesha Giri Kumar was born 15th April 1944 at Bapatla in Guntur, District Andhra Pradesh. His father is P. SambashivaRao and Mother is Ventakatarattamma. Dr. P.S.G. Kumar was married Udyasree on 2nd June 1972. He has two daughters Shailaja and PhaniBhargavi.

He did his graduation in Agriculture from the Agriculture College, Bapatla, Andhra Pradesh in 1968 and he got first class in it. He also did his B. Lib. Sc. from Andhra University and M. Lib. Sc. from Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi in 1979. He has a first class career and also topped the list of successful candidates at the M. Lib Sc. Examination.

He studied advanced Information Work at the University of Sheffield in 1978. He earned his Doctorate in Library and Information Science from Gulbarga University in 1985. He was selected as Emeritus Fellow by University Grant Commission, New Delhi in 2007.

Dr. Kumar served as head of the Department of Library and Information Science (1978-2002), University Librarian (1994 to April 2004) and as a Registrar (2000) of RashtrasantTukadojiMaharaj Nagpur University, Nagpur.

Dr. Kumar started his career as a teacher of Library Science at I T College, Lucknow from 18th July 1972 to October 1972. After serving for some time at BHU, he joined as a lecturer in 1973, and headed the department of Library and Information Science at Nagpur University, since 1978-2002. He became Reader in 1983 and served as University Librarian since 1994 to April 2004.

Despite his numerous responsibilities and academic activities, Dr P.S.G. Kumar attached more importance to organizing and attending intellectual and academic activities which according to him are the direct and the best way of communication.

Dr. Kumar earned the name as one of the greatest intellectuals of the new millennium in Information Science and in the Library profession. He has to his credit 63 books, 118 papers, 68seminar /conferences papers, 168 lectures, 79 reviews and 20 reports. He is associated with more than 77 universities in various capacities.

Dr. Kumar has participated in National and International conferences and seminars and has delivered key–note addresses and also chaired various technical sessions, such as All India Library conferences, IATLIS, IASLIC conference ,National symposiums, All India seminars, UGC seminars Indo–US conferences, COMLA workshop, IFLA general conference, UGC refresher courses, CDS/ISIS workshop, ILA conferences. He has guided 41 Doctoral theses.



Objectives of the study

- To Study the multifaceted nature of his personality (Biographical profile).
- To prepare a bibliographical report of Dr P.S.G. Kumar's academic contributions.
- To compile his research and research guidance activities together.
- To analyze of Dr. P. S. G. Kumar's Academic achievements.

This study in particular, will elaborately discuss the vital issues pertaining to the above aspects and how far Dr P. S. G. Kumar has succeeded in his venture for a total library development in the country and the impact of his contributions on the national library scene.

Analysis of Literary Contribution of Dr. P.S. G. Kumar

Table1: Subject wise Productivity of Books

Sr. No.	Name of the Subjects Contributions	No. of	Year of publication
1	Cataloguing	1	1999
2	Classification	4	1979,87,90,91
3	Information Communication	1	2004
4	Information Repackaging and	1	2004
	Consolidation		
5	Information Technology	3	1987,2003,2004
6	Knowledge Organisation	2	2003
7	Libraries	1	1989
8	Library and Information Science	4	1998,02,03,06
9	LIS Biography	1	1992
10	LIS Education	1	1989
11	LIS Services	1	2004

12	LIS Users	1	2004
13	Library History	2	1977,2000
14	Library Management	2	1989,2003
15	LIS Research Methodology	1	2004
16	LIS related other topics	7	2007
	Total	**33**	

Table 1: Dr. P.S.G. Kumar is a prolific writer and contributed immensely to Library and Information Science literature. As on March 2007 he has authored 33 Books. Table 1 presents the distribution of 33 books by broad subjects. It is seen that the contribution by Dr. P.S.G. Kumar has spread to all the branches of Library and Information Science covering from Historical aspects of Librarianship to the Information technology which shows his expertise in the field of Library and Information Science. The maximum number of books are in the subjects Classification and Library and Information Science (4) each followed by Information Technology (3).

Table2: Subject wise Productivity of Edited Works

Sr. No.	Name of the of Subjects	No. Contributions	Years
1	Libraries	1	1999
2	Library and Information Sc.	3	1992, 2002
3	Library and Information Sc. Bibliography	1	1987
4	Library and Information Sc. Dictionary	1	1994
5	Library and Information Sc. Directory	2	1988
6	Library and Information Sc. Education	2	1983, 2006
7	Library and Information Sc Encyclopedia	1	2001
8	Library and Information Sc. Handbook	1	1991
9	Library and Information Sc Manpower	1	1988
10	Library Legislation	1	1990
11	Library History	1	1987
12	LIS Profession	1	1996
13	Library and Information Science Journals	8	1974, 76, 86,
			87, 92, 94,
			96, 2007
	Total	**24**	



Table 2 reveals Dr. P.S.G. Kumar's edited works categorized by broad subjects. Out of 24 edited works, Dr. Kumar has edited the highest number (8) of LIS Journals followed by Books in the subject areas of Library and Information Science (3), followed by LIS Directory and LIS Education(2) each respectively.

Table 3: Year wise Productivity of Books and Edited Works

Sr.	Years No.	No. of Books	No. of Edited works
1	1974	-	1
2	1976	-	1
3	1977	1	-
4	1979	1	-
5	1983	-	1
6	1986	-	1
7	1987	2	3
8	1988	-	3
9	1989	3	-
10	1990	1	1
11	1991	1	1
12	1992	1	2
13	1994	-	2
14	1996	-	2
15	1998	1	1
16	1999	1	1
17	2000	1	-
18	2001	-	1
19	2002	1	1
20	2003	5	-
21	2004	6	-
22	2006	1	1
23	2007	7	1
	Total	**33**	**24**

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Table 3 reveals the year wise publication of Books written and distribution of edited works till 2006. In the year 2004 highest number of Books have been written (6) followed by (5) books in the year 2003. As for as edited works is concerned maximum edited works (3) in the year 1987 and 1988 each followed by (2) in 1992, 1994 and 1996 each. He has written 7 books (In Press) in the year 2007.

Table 4: Collaboration of Dr. P.S.G. Kumar for Books and Edited works

Sr. No.		Author(s)	Subject	Year	Language	Total
1		A AN Raju	Classification	1991	Telugu	1
2	**Books**	P Somaraju	Library Management	1989	Telugu	1
3		RiazMuhhmad	Cataloguing	1999	English	1
4		Curras Emila	Lib. and Inf. Sc.	2002	English	1
5		Gupta B M and Ramaiah L S	LIS Handbook	1991	English	1
6		Rajyalakshmi D.	LIS Education	2006	English	1
7		Tejomurty A and Chopra H R	LIS Bibliography	87	English	3
8	**Edited work**	Vashishith C P	LIS Directory	88	English	
			Automation	1999	English	
			Lib and Inf. Sc.	1992	English	
9		Venkatappaiah V.	LIS Profession	1996	English	2
			Lib Legislation	90	English	
			LIS Dictionary	94	English	
			Total	**14**		

Table 4 shows the collaboration with Dr. P.S.G. Kumar for Book and edited works. He has written only 3 books collaboratively out of 33 books and edited the work with 8 LIS Professionals out of 24 edited works. This shows most of his contributions are individual works and he is a solo researcher.



Table 5 : Authorship Credit of Professionals collaborating with Dr. P.S.G. Kumar for Books and Edited works.

Sr. No.	Name of Author	1 Author	2 Author	3 Author	Period
1	Kumar P.S.G.	52	5	-	1973, 2006
2	Vashishth C P	-	3	-	1992, 99
3	Tejomurty A	-	1	2	1987, 88
4	Chopra H R	2		1	1987, 88
5	Venkatappaiah V	1	1	-	1990, 94
6	A AN Raju	-	1	-	1991
7	Gupta B M and	1	-	-	1991
	Ramaiah L S	-	-	1	
8	RiazMuhhamud	-	1	-	1999
9	CurrasEmila	1	-	-	2002
10	D Rajyalakshmi	-	1	-	2006
11	Somaraju P	-	1	-	1989

Table 5 shows the Authorship Credit of Professionals collaborating with Dr.P.S.G. Kumar for Books and Edited works. He has collaboratively published the highest number of (3) Books and edited works with A. Tejomurty, C P Vashishth and H R Chopra. Out of 57 books and edited works Dr.P.S.G. Kumar is first author for 52 and second author for 5 books and edited works.

Table 6: Subject wise Productivity of Papers

Sr. No.	Name of The Subject	No. of Contribution	Year of Publication
1	Acquisition	2	1974, 95
2	Biography·	10	
	* Melvel Dewey	1	1973
	* P. N. Kaula	4	74, 90
	* S. R. Ranganathan	4	93, 95, 97
	* VelegaVenkatappaiah	1	

3	Comparative Librarianship	2	78, 87
4	Cataloguing	2	81, 82
5	Citation Analysis	1	98
6	Classification	8	73, 75, 76, 81, 88, 92
7	Documentation	4	78, 79, 80, 92
8	Grey Literature	1	97
9	Information Communication	1	2004
10	Information Network	1	2004
11	Information Technology	8	86, 87, 89, 03
12	Internship	1	86
13	Libraries	9	
	*Academic Library	3	91, 98
	*College Library	2	80, 02
	*National Library	1	93
	* School Library	1	98
	*Special library	1	2000
	* University Library	1	91
14	Library Associations	11	76, 86, 91, 92, 94, 97
15	Library History	5	76, 81, 93, 03
16	Library Legislation and Act	9	91, 93, 94, 03
17	Library Movement	3	79, 81, 95
18	Library and Information Sci.	5	81, 82, 86, 94
19	LIS Education	4	77, 83, 89
20	LIS Literature	1	87
21	LIS Personnel Management	2	86, 87
22	LIS Profession	9	74, 75, 76, 81, 85, 87, 92, 98
23	LIS Research	5	83, 87, 98
24	LIS Resource Sharing	2	91, 92
25	LIS System and Services	10	85, 91, 98, 99, 2003
26	Right to Information	1	89
27	User study	1	2004
	Total	**118**	



Dr. P.S.G. Kumar has published about 118 papers during 1973 – 2007 over span of 36 Years. Table 6 shows the details of the papers subject wise analysed. The highest number of Papers (11) published on Library Association followed by (10) biography and LIS system and services followed by (9) on Libraries, LIS Profession and Library legislation and Act. 118 papers were published in various journals and seminar volumes between 1973 to 2006.(Table 6)

Table 7: Number of Papers Published in LIS Journals and other Volumes

Sr. No.	Name of Journal	No. of Contribution	Year
1	Annals of Lib Sc	1	1999
2	DESIDOC Bulletin	2	1998
3	GranthalayaSarvaswamu	4	1976, 92
4	Herald of Library Sc	21	1973, 74, 75, 76,
			78, 79, 80, 86, 87,
			95, 97, 04
5	IJILIS	2	1988, 89
6	ILA Bulletin	2	1985, 04
7	Indian Librarian	1	78
8	Int Jr of Information Comm	1	97
	and Edu		
9	Journal of Information Studies	2	1997
10	Libra	1	1983
11	Library Herald	2	1983, 86
12	Lib Sc with slant to Doc and	2	1998
	Inf Studies		
13	Lukhnow Librarian	3	1980, 82, 86
14	Samachar Bharti	1	—-
15	The Hitavada	8	1979, 1981
16	University News	1	1991
17	* Others	52	
18	Dr. Kumar's personal	12	
	collection		
	Total	**118**	

Table 7 shows number of research articles published in various journals. The highest number of Papers (21) published in Herald of Library science followed by The Hitavada (Daily) (8) and 52 papers published in various sources.

* 52 articles have been published in different volumes, like Festschrift, Commemoration volumes.

Table 8: Collaborative Research of Dr. Dr. P.S.G. Kumar

Sr. No.	Name of Author	Subject	Year	Authorship Pattern
1	Choukhande V G	User Study	2004	1st author
2	Deshpande D R	LIS Literature	1987	2nd Author
3	Gunjal S R	LIS System & services	1985	2nd Author
4	Patil Y M	-Citation Analysis	1998	2nd Author
		- Grey Literature and	1997	2nd Author
		- LIS System & Services	1998	1st Author
			1999	1st Author
5	Tejomurty A	LIS ResearchPrinting	1998	2nd Author
		and Publishing	1989	2nd Author
6	Ramchandran R	LIS Education	1985	2nd Author

Table 8 shows Dr. P.S.G. Kumar collaboratively written the Papers and Seminar papers with 6 Library and Information Science professionals. Out of all papers and Seminar papers (186) Dr. Kumar is first author (183) and second author only in (3) papers.



Table 9: Subject wise distribution of Lectures Delivered

Sr. No.	Name of The Subjects	No. of Contribution	Years
1	Agriculture Information	1	1988
2	Cataloguing	2	1980-89
3	Circulation	1	1988
4	Classification	22	73, 82, 83, 86, 87, 92, 93, 94
5	Collection Development	1	1998
6	Indexing	3	87, 88
7	Indexing Language	4	88, 89, 91
8	Information	6	1984, 90, 91, 94
9	Inf&Comm	5	1990, 91, 92, 94
10		1	1985
11	Information Society	2	1991, 94
12	Inf Storage and Retrieval	1	1977
13	Information System	1	1993
14	Information Technology	8	85, 91, 99, 95
15	Librarian Biographies	7	1973, 74, 75, 82, 91, 2004, 06
16	Libraries	10	1974, 89, 90, 93, 94, 95
17	LIS and Education	10	1983, 86, 88, 90, 91, 98, 2002, 03
18	LIS Services	10	1984, 86, 88, 95, 2000, 2002, 03, 04
19	Library Association	5	1988, 91, 93, 94
20	Library Automation and	24	1980, 84, 86, 88, 91, 92, 94, 95,
	Computerization		96, 97, 98, 2002
21	Library Movement, India	2	1974, 87
22	Library Movement, USA	1	1989
23	Library Profession	17	1975, 76, 79, 85, 88, 91, 93, 94,
			95, 96, 2001, 02
24	Library &Inf Science	4	1985, 94
25	Lib Sc, Docu&Inf science	3	1987, 91
26	Library Management	2	1984, 92
27	Reference Services	2	1992, 99
28	Serial Control	1	1988
29	Social science Research	1	1987
30	Universe of Knowledge	1	1983
31	Use of Library	5	1986, 88, 89, 93, 96
32	User Study	2	1986, 91
33	Zone Analysis	4	1986, 88, 89, 91
		Total	**168**

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During his visits to various Universities/colleges he delivered about 168 lectures on various aspects of Library and Information Science. Table 11 shows highest number of lectures (24) were delivered in Library Automation and Computerization followed by (22) in classification and Library profession (17) respectively. It further revealed that he is a prolific writer as wel as good orator also. (Table 9).

Table 10: Year wise distribution of Lecture Delivered

Sr. No.	Years	No. of Lectures Delivered	Sr. No.	Years	No. of Lectures Delivered
1	1973	2	19	1991	19
2	1974	3	20	1992	10
3	1975	2	21	1993	9
4	1976	1	22	1994	14
5	1977	1	23	1995	10
6	1979	1	24	1996	4
7	1980	2	25	1997	3
8	1982	2	26	1998	8
9	1983	3	27	1999	1
10	1984	5	28	2000	2
11	1985	6	29	2001	1
12	1986	16	30	2002	5
13	1987	8	31	2003	2
14	1988	15	32	2004	1
15	1989	6	33	2006	1
16	1990	4			
				Total	**168**

Table 10 shows year wise breakup of lectures delivered. The highest number of lectures are delivered (19) in 1991 followed by (16) in 1986 and delivered 15 lectures in 1988.



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Table 11: Subject wise distribution of Books Reviewed

Table 11 shows books reviewed by Dr. Kumar highest of number of books reviewed were on classification (11) followed by Libraries (9) and Library Profession (6).

Sr. No.	Name of The Subjects	No. of Contribution	Years
1	Bibliographies	3	1975, 77, 78
2	Biography	3	1974, 76, 97
3	Book	4	1975, 89, 96, 98
4	Book Number	1	1991
5	Cataloguing	1	1994
6	Classification	11	1973, 75, 78, 81,
			84,87, 89, 91, 98,
7	Directory	2	1973, 74
8	Documentation	4	1973, 81
9	Encyclopedia	1	1974
10	Handbook	5	1985, 89, 90, 92
11	Index	5	1974, 77, 78
12	Libraries	9	1972, 73, 75, 86,
			88,94, 96
13	Library Administration	5	1973, 77, 85, 89
14	Library and Inf Science	5	1976, 90, 91, 95, 99
15	Library Legislation	1	1997
16	Library Management	2	1973
17	Library Movement	1	1973
18	Library Profession	6	1975, 77, 95, 96
19	Library Services	3	1973, 74,96
20	Professional Organisation	1	1997
21	Social Science Literature	1	1975
22	Thesaurus	1	1992
23	Universe of Knowledge	3	1973, 84, 97
24	Women and Librarianship	1	1992
	Total	**79**	

Table 12: Year wise Distribution of Books Reviewed

Sr. No.	Years	No. of Books Reviewed	Sr. No.	Years Books	No. of Reviewed
1	1972	1	13	1988	2
2	1973	15	14	1989	5
3	1974	7	15	1990	2
4	1975	7	16	1992	3
5	1976	2	17	1991	3
6	1977	5	18	1994	2
7	1978	4	19	1995	2
8	1981	2	20	1996	4
9	1984	2	21	1997	4
10	1985	2	22	1998	2
11	1986	1	23	1999	1
12	1987	1			
				Total	**79**

Table 12 reveals that the highest number of books reviewed by Dr. Kumar was in the year 1973 (15) followed by (7) each in 1974 and 1975 and 5 in the year 1989.

Table 13: Subject wise Productivity of Ph. D. Theses

Sr. No.	Subjects	No. of Ph. D. Theses	Years
1.	Bibliometrics	1	2007
2.	Cataloguing	1	1992
3.	Citation Analysis	3	1994, 2000, 01
4.	Classification	1	1998
5.	Libraries		
	-College Library	3	2003, 04, 06
	-Public Library	2	1994
	--University Library	2	1999, 2003



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6.	Database	1	1997
7.	Grey Literature	1	2004
8.	Information Technology	1	2004
9.	Library Finance	1	2003
10.	Library Security and	1	2004
	Maintenance		
11.	LISCenter	3	1999, 2004
12.	LIS System	1	1998
13.	Patents	2	1997, 2006
14.	Reference Source in Sci.	1	2004
	& Technology		
15.	User Study	1	2004
	Total	**26**	

Table 13 shows subject wise distribution of Ph. D. theses guided by Dr. P.S.G. Kumar. He has guided the Ph. D's in all areas from Librarianship to Information Technology. He has guided maximum theses on the subject Libraries (7) followed by (3) each in Citation analysis and Library and Information Centers and Information Technology (2).

Table 14: Subject wise distribution of Ph. D. Theses Adjudicated by Dr.P.S.G. Kumar

Sr. No.	Subjects	No. of Theses	Years
1	Bibliometric Studies	8	1989, 94, 96, 97, 99, 2002
2	Classification	1	1999
3	Computerization	1	1994
4	Indexing	3	1989, 02
5	Information Networks	3	1993, 03

6	Information Retrieval System	1	1990
7	Information Systems	4	1993, 94, 2000, 02
8	Information Technology	2	1990, 02
9	Library Finance	1	1989
10	LIS Education	4	1991, 92
12	Literature Study	1	1998
13	User Study	10	1991, 92, 93, 94, 97,2001, 02
	Total	**39**	

Table 14 shows highest number of Ph. D. theses Adjudicated by Dr. P.S.G. Kumar are on User studies (10) followed by (8) on Bibliometrics and Information system and LIS Education (4) each respectively.

Dr. Kumar as a Teacher

At IT College and BHU

Kumar served as a full-time teacher for a brief period at IT College, Lucknow and Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi. He taught classification (theory and practice), reference service and organization at IT college. At BHU he taught classification practice and bibliography.

At Nagpur University

At Nagpur University he was the first full-time teacher. Earlier classes were engaged by the library staff on part-time basis for which additional payment was made. The Acting University Librarian, who was also the Head of the Department assigned 20 periods per week to Mr. Kumar. He was asked to take Classification (theory as well as practice), Cataloguing (theory and practice), and Reference service (theory and practice). At a later date, at the personal request of the



Head of the Department, he taught certain topics of library administration as well. Kumar was engaging 4-5 periods a day.

At IAS Coaching Centre (Nagpur University)

In addition Mr. Kumar was asked by the then Director of the Pre-Examination Coaching Centre for IAS, etc., examinations of Nagpur University to teach 'current affairs' to the trainees. Kumar thought that it was recognition to the profession and accepted the same. He was preparing a lot for the classes. He started issuing a weekly *"Current Affairs Bulletin"* in a mimeographed form which was well received by the trainees. He prepared and gave an index to all the issues at the end of the session.

Some Initiatives

Mr. Kumar tried to give an independent status and proper shape to the Department. Initial steps that he took included:

1) Getting anindependent accommodation;
2) Building-up a separate collectionof reference books and schedules of classification;
3) Getting the group photographs of various batches framed and displayed;
4) Founding Nagpur University Library and Information Science Association (NULISA);
5) Establishment of Library Science Study Circle, Nagpur (LIBSCINA);
6) Introducing compulsory educational tour.

As a Librarian

As acting Librarian

The New University Act

The Government of Maharashtra passed the Maharashtra Universities Act in 1994. Prior to this different non- agricultural Universities in Maharashtra had independent acts. The 1994 Act is a composite Act for all the universities in Maharashtra.

Provision Regarding 'Librarian'

The new Act says:

a) Where in a university, there is a department of library science, the head of the department, not below the rank of Reader, shall ex-officio, function as the Librarian.

Other Contributions

Table 15: Positions of Dr.P.S.G. Kumar

Sr. No.	Description	Year
1	Platinum Jubilee Celebration Of The Library	1998-1999
2	Organized CALIBER	9th December 1998.
3	Chairman of The Central Sectional Committee	1986 And 1988
	On LIS Education	
4	President of ILA	31st March 1994
5	Indian Association Of Teachers Of Library And	
	Information Science (IATLIS) As A General	
	Secretary, As Vice-President And President.	17th March 1981
6	Vidarbha Academic Libraries Association (VALA)	27th January 1983

Journalistic Work

- **Experience with Herald of Library Science:** Herald of Library Science N2 of 1973 issue was edited mainly by Mr. Kumar. He also compiled 'Notes &, News' items also for the journal. Kumar also edited the "Kaula Number' of the Herald of Library Science as well during 1987. And as Associate Editor *of Herald of Library Science* in 1998. Immediately after taking charge as General Secretary of IATLIS, Dr. Kumar started the publication *of IATLIS Communication* as a quarterly newsletter. Including publication CSI Bulletin.

- **As Editor of the ILA Newsletter and ILA Bulletin**
- **On Editorial Boards**

Dr. Kumar was also invited to serve on the editorial boards of the following journals:

1) *The Library & Librarian;*
2) *VALA News;*
3) *Library Progress (International);*
4) *International Librarian;*
5) *Deccan Information Scientist;*
6) *Indian Journal of Information, Library and Society; and*
7) *Ranganathan Research Bulletin.*

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Conclusion

DrP.S.G. Kumar is a man of vision. He has visualized the need for quality and standards for LIS education and Librarianship in India. He proved excellent in all spheres of library and Information Science field and was well known as distinguished Academician, ideal librarian, inspiring leader, prolific writer, able organizer and a capable administrator. With his ideas and vision, single minded devotion and dedication, he contributed immensely to the LIS profession; which would be a land mark in Indian librarianship. His work in LIS education always enlightens the professionals in respect of flourishing the subject with quality information and optimumperfection.

Tribute

This paper is an attempt to pay a humble tribute to Dr.P.S.G. Kumar by bringing together his personal and professional life, his achievements, and honor's bestowed on him.



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