## <u>Short Biographical</u> Note of Prof. M. Afzal Wani



**Prof. M. Afzal Wani** is presently Professor of Law and Director, Coordination GGS Indraprastha University, Dwarka, New Delhi with 35+ years of teaching and research experience. Earlier, he served this university as Dean of Law and Legal Studies for two terms of three years each and as Member of the Law Commission of India from 2009-2012. He also served as an Elected Member of the Governing Council of the Indian Law Institute, New Delhi. Prof.Wani has remained actively associated with the Delhi State Legal Services Authority (DSLSA) for more than a decade as a Nominated Member of its Executive Committee, contributing in its vigorous development as a prime agency for legal literacy from

2005 onwards. He has organised scores of academic and literacy programmes of State, National and International levels in association with many universities and institutions. Notably, he co-ordinated the Rule of Law Project of United States Agency for International Development (USAID) with due success to build the capacity of legal and juristic departments of Afghanistan including training of Law Ministry officials, judicial officers (including judges, prosecutors and Bar leaders) and law professors of Afghanistan universities as a process of reconstruction of Afghanistan, exhibiting his best capacity of introducing peace perspectives to intellectuals of otherwise disturbed areas. He did, with due appreciation, complete an assignment of ILO in preparing a documents on introducing modern labour law standards to traditionally oriented societies. At home, he too co-ordinated Refresher Courses for Law Teachers of Indian Universities sponsored by the University Grants Commission and trained hundreds of law teachers from various states of India in innovative teaching and research skills in consonance with imperatives of new economic order and global justice. He was a prominent leading member of the teams for introducing Five Year Integrated Law Programme in AMU and advanced Diplomas in Cyber Law, IPR, Corporate Law and Human Rights at ILI. He particularly commenced specialised LL.M. Courses and Ph.D. Programme in emerging areas of study in GGS IP University covering mainly, corporate law, technology law, ADR and IPR. There he also founded a vibrant placement cell and a journal, the Indrapratha Technology Law Journal as a specialised academic vehicle. His areas of interest are Jurisprudence, Law and Development, focusing on Comparative Jurisprudence and Human Rights in Peace Perspective with main

concerns about Legal Research Methodology, Legal Aid, Good Governance and issues related to women, children, tribes and IPRs. He has authored/edited more than 10 books and a hundred pieces of research papers, notes and comments, reports and book reviews. He has guided research in Law at Masters as well as at Doctoral levels and has produced 10 Ph.D. scholars so far. He has delivered many lectures and had interactions with judges as a Resource Person in Delhi and U.P. Judicial Academies. He has presented papers in various conferences at home and abroad at Oxford, Stanford, Melbourne, Singapore, Kula Lumpur, Penang, Kathmandu, Kabul, Bangkok, Maldives and Jakarta.