

# Prof. (Dr.) Akash Chanda

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## SENIOR SOFT SKILLS TRAINER & RESEARCH PROFESSIONAL

*Over 14 years of rich experience in delivering optimal results in high-growth environments in Training and Research*

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### PROFILE

Seasoned soft skills trainer with pan-India exposure in training students, specifically at various ICFAI (Institute of Chartered Financial Analysts of India) colleges in (Andhra Pradesh, Punjab, UP, UK & NCR region), & training Inspector of Indian Post & Post Masters from all over India (in the Dept. of Post, Government of India).

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### SPECIALIZED PORTFOLIO

Trainer (Academic & Corporate) - English Language Training/studies, Teaching English to Speakers of other languages, Creative Writing, Professional Writing, Discourse analysis, English for academic purpose, Soft Skills, GD Skills, Interview Skills, Business Communication, General Management Skills, Stress Management, , Teamwork, Presentation Skills, Professional Etiquette, Business Writing, Skill Development & Motivation Training, Goal-setting, Interview Skills, Personality Development, Leadership development, Public Speaking, Change Management, Employee Training, Train the Trainer, Personnel Management, Time management, Career Guidance, Customer Care Excellence, Mystic Communication, Spirituality at work place, Asian & American Philosophy, Life Skills

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### ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS

**PhD. (English Literature); 2007** (Research based on Indo-American poetry & cultural amalgamation)

**Topic-** *Mysticism In The Poetry Of Swami Ramtirtha (Mystic Communication, Discourse Analysis & Impact)*

Chaudhary Charan Singh University/ Meerut University, Meerut, U.P., India

**MA (English); 1998**

**Concentrations:** *British, American & Indian English Literature*

Chaudhary Charan Singh University/ Meerut University, Meerut, U.P., India

**MBA; 2011**

Vinayaka Mission University, Salem, Tamil Nadu, India

**B.Sc.; 1996**

Chaudhary Charan Singh, University, Meerut, U.P. India

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### WORK EXPERIENCE -ACADEMIC

(Current Job)

- Principal (July 2012 – till date)  
Ramrati Institute of Technology, Rampur Maniharan, Saharanpur, U.P., India

(Previous Jobs: 1998 to 2012)

Head, Dept of English Communication & Soft Skills in the following organizations:

- Professor (Department of English, Business Communication & Soft Skills) (Feb 2010 – July 2012)  
Dev Bhoomi Group of Institutions, Dehradun, Saharanpur, Kurukshetra, India
- Soft Skills Trainer (Department of English) (Sep 2005 – Feb 2010)  
Institute of Chartered Financial Analyst of India (ICFAI University, Hyderabad, India)
- Lecturer (Department of English) (April 2000 – April 2002)  
Gochar Mahavidhyalaya, Saharanpur, India)
- Akash Tutorials, Institute of English Language, Jalandhar, Punjab  
(Preparing students for ILETS & TOEFL) (July 1998 – May 2000 & May 2002 – May 2003)

### UNIVERSITY ASSOCIATIONS/ CORPORATE TRAINING

- University of Washington, Seattle, Washington State, US for Indo-American cultural research
- Stanford University, San Francisco, California, US for Indo-American cultural research
- The Academy of Sciences, San Francisco, California, US
- Greenacre Baha'i School, Eliot, York County, Maine, US

- Shobhit University, Gango, Saharanpur, 22 Nov 2014 as a Guest Faculty (English language skills & Communication Skill)
- Resource Person in 3-Day National Seminar on Manuscripts 27-28-29 March 2014 organized by National Mission For Manuscripts & Department of English, DAV College, Jalandhar.
- ICFAI University, Dehradun as Chief Exam Supervisor 2009-10
- Uttar Pradesh Technical University Entrance Exam as an Assistant Exam Supervisor at Dev Bhoomi Institute of Technology, Saharanpur 2010 /2011 / 2012
- Institute of Chartered Accountants of India, (since 2009 – till date) as a Guest Faculty (Communication & English language skills, soft skills)
- Postal Training Centre (Department of Indian Postal Services), Govt. of India, (since 2011 – till date) as a Guest Faculty (Communication, Managerial Skills, Soft skills)

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### Key Deliverables:

- Designing and executing the programs to develop student's Employability Skills, Soft Skills, Reading, Creative & Professional Writing & English language skills in order to help ensure maximum realization of their potential.
- Heading the campus developmental education teams at various levels to ensure consistency of instruction and services.
- Coordinating with pan-India ICFAI Academic Centers & Head Quarter to ensure quality student support services.
- Coordinating with various INC campuses to provide faculty professional development training and best practices in teaching Soft skills.
- Assuming overall responsibility of a devoted educator covering professional development, Assessment of Students and conducting staff meetings.
- Manage classroom coverage of assigned subjects as per academic curriculum to students.
- Collaborating with teacher fellow on lesson plans and performed administrative tasks viz. recording attendance, managing student portfolios and providing individual assistance to the students.
- Significantly enhanced classroom learning environment and acting as a facilitator to promote student leadership in initiating and creating positive learning opportunities
- Received consistently glowing evaluations from students and supervising administrators. Devise lessons, which captured the students' imaginations infusing much needed enthusiasm
- Accountable for the exploration and implementation of new teaching techniques. Act as a counselor to the students, advising them for their professional and personal developments while resolving and counseling them on their grievances and issues
- Discussed and implemented syllabus, commensurate with the standard and the Council. Prepare Exam Schedule, analyze Syllabus Contents of the subjects

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### INTERNATIONAL PUBLICATIONS (BOOKS)

- **Flashes:** A Collection of English Poems of Dr. Akash Chanda, Ramtirtha Kendra, Saharanpur, 2012 (ISBN:978-81-921205-3-9)
- **Vehdat Nama:** A Multilingual publication based on Swami Ramtirtha's Punjabi poetry, Ramtirtha Kendra, Saharanpur, 2013 (ISBN: 978-81-921205-2-2) (Co-author)
- **Rama In The Eyes of Iqbal:** A Multilingual (English, Hindi, Persian, Urdu) publication based on a poem-obituary composed by Dr. Sheikh Muhammad Iqbal, Ramtirtha Kendra, Saharanpur, 2010 (Co-author) (ISBN: 978-81-921205-0-8)
- **Muscular Vedanta:** A Book based on Swami Ramtirtha's lectures & poems composed in the United States of America, Ramtirtha Kendra, Saharanpur, 2011 (Co-author) (ISBN: 978-81-921205-1-5)

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### NATIONAL PUBLICATIONS (BOOKS)

- **The Candles of Prasanthi Nilayam:** A Collection of English spiritual-cum-literary quotations of Sai Baba, Neeraj Publishers, Bareilly, 2011 (Co-author)
- **The Celestial Bliss:** A Collection of English translation of mystic poems of a saint of Bareilly, Khanqa-e-Mustafai Sharif, Sufi Tola, Bareilly, 2005 (Co-editor & translator)
- **Bazm-e-sulhekul:** A Collection of poems, Neeraj Publishers, Bareilly, 2010 (Co-editor)

- **Meri Maa:** A Book On Grand Mother, Neeraj Publishers, Bareilly, 2011 (Co-editor)
  - **Misbah-Ul-Haq:** A Book On Sufi Poetry, Khanqa-e-Mustafai sharif, Sufi Tola, Bareilly, 2011 (Co-editor)
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### FORTHCOMING RESEARCH PROJECTS

- **Swami Ramtirtha in America –**  
**(A cross-cultural research on discourse analysis)**

The research work is a systematic *study of the techniques and impact of the lectures, poems and articles* of an Indian professor turned monk at various social-cum-cultural platforms as well as in the thirteen prominent Universities of the United States of America, between November 1902 to November 1904)

1. **A Fortnight in Seattle, Wash.,** - Study of Swami Ramtirtha's endeavours with special reference of his lectures and poems
2. **Indian Monk Poet in California** - Study of Swami Ramtirtha's endeavours with special reference of his lectures, poems and published/ unpublished works.
3. **Indian Monk Poet in American Universities** - Some unknown historical facts about Swami Ramtirtha's lectures & impact on various American Universities during his 2 years (2002-2004) soujourn in America. The Universities are – The University of Washigton, the Stanford Univerity, the University of California, the Columbia University (Now the University of Portland), University of Denver, the University of Chicago, the University of Minnesota, the University of Buffalo (Now State University of New York 1962 onwards), the Boston University, the New York University, Philadelphia University, the Washington University, The Aurora University

- **Swami Ramtirtha in South-East Asian and East Asian countries –**  
**(A cross-cultural research on discourse analysis)**

Swami Ramtirtha (1973-1906), an Indian professor (of the then Punjab University) turned monk established a great cultural, literary and spiritual link between Undivided India and few of South-East Asian and East Asian countries in 1902. He, along with his disciple, Narayan Swami visited cities like Penang (Malaysia), Singapore, Saigon, Hongkong and Shanghai (China). Being a Scientist – Saint, he brought together science and spirituality for the use of humanity in his discourses & poetry. In the end of September 1902, he reached the port of Yokohama, Japan.

- **Soft Skills & Spirituality** – A study of life skills & employability skills with special reference to various religious / spiritual practices
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### EDITOR (MAGAZINES)

- **Vedchakshu:** A Bi-lingual monthly magazine, Bhartiya Jyotir Vigyan Anusandhan Samasthanam Ramtirtha Kendra, Saharanpur, (2000 – 2012) (Editor English Section)  
(Reg. No. UPHIN/2004/12733)
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### AREA OF CURRENT RESEARCH

Soft skills • Communication Skill • English as a second language • Technical writing & Communication • Teaching & lecturing techniques • Saints & philosophical writings • Indian saint poets and cultural studies

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### PAPER PRESENTATION (SELECTED)

- **Indian English poetry and Swami Ramtirtha:** A symposium held in the presence of the then Hon'ble Governor Uttar Pradesh Shree Vishnu Kanta Shastri under the auspices of *Bhartiya Jyotir Vigyan*

*Anusandhan Samsthan*, at Ramtirtha Hall, Saharanpur on 6 May 2002.

- **Soft Skills In the works of Swami Ramtirtha** : National Conference held at ICFAI University, Panjagutta, Hyderabad on 15th May 2006
- **Dakargalam: Ancient method of ground water exploration:** A symposium held in the presence of the then *Hon'ble Governor Uttar Pradesh Sree. T.V. Rajeswar* under the auspices of *Bhartiya Jyotir Vigyan Anusandhan Samsthan*, at Ramtirtha Hall, Saharanpur on 17th October 2006.
- **Writing in English: A Synthesis of the East and the West Topic** – Advait Philosophy in the Poetry of Swami Ramtirtha: U.G.C. Sponsored National Seminar held at Maharaj Singh College, Saharanpur on 16-17 Dec 2006
- **The Role of Indian Saints in English Literature:** Main Speaker in the International Seminar held at Ramtirtha Hall, Saharanpur on 22 Nov, 2006.
- **Sufism:** International Religious Symposium held at Khanqa-e-Mustafai Sharif, Bareilly on 15 March 2005.
- **Institutional Support Mechanism Available and Required for Ph.D and Faculty Experiences While Pursuing Ph.D:** National Academic Conference held at Vishakhapatnam, AP on 3-4 Nov 2008, organized by ICFAI University, Hyderabad.
- **Self Realization And Women With Special Reference To Vedanta Philosophy:** National Seminar Organized by Government Girls Degree College, Behut, Saharanpur (U.P.) on 11 Feb, 2012
- **Universal Love & Indo-American saint poetry:** An international conference presided by Dr Aziz Qureshi, Hon'ble Governor Uttarakhand, at Ramtirtha Kendra, Saharanpur on 21st April 2013

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### SOFT SKILLS TRAININGS

- One month 'Train The Trainer' program in Teaching English at Hyderabad, Head Quarter, ICFAI (April-May 2006).
- Two years on-line 'Soft Skills Trainer Certification Program' (SOFTCOM) from ICFAI (HQ) Hyderabad (Jan 2007-Dec 2008).

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### IT SKILLS

**Operating Systems:** DOS, Win XP and Windows 7 & 8  
**Applications:** MS Office and Internet

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### PERSONAL DOSSIER

**Date of Birth:** 15<sup>th</sup> March 1975  
**Address:** 39, New Jawahar Park Extn., Saharanpur, (Pin – 247001), U.P India  
Tulip 404, Bellevue Green Apartments, Near S.A.S . Nagar, Jalandhar (Pin – 144014), Punjab, India

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