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Prof. Sunaina Singh, a distinguished Professor of English, is well known as a Scholar-Administrator. She has served as the Head and Chair, Department of English, Osmania University and as the President of the Shastri Indo-Canadian Institute, a bi-national Research Organization funded by the Canadian and Indian Governments, from 2009 to 2011. A PhD in Comparative Literature, Prof. Singh has done postdoctoral research in diverse areas like Postmodernism, Women's Writing, Diaspora and South Asian Literatures, and has seven books and numerous research papers to her credit. She has been a visiting professor at several reputed universities abroad, and delivered lecturers. A recipient of the Commonwealth Academic Staff Scholarship Award (1984) and a Postdoctoral Faculty Award (2005) from the Department of Foreign Affairs Ministry, Canada, she was also India Studies National Chair at Shanghai University, China, nominated by ICCR in 2010. As a scholar of considerable repute she has been invited as a keynote speaker by several universities across the globe as well as major Indian universities to speak on Women's Writing in India, Indian culture and literature, and Postcolonial Comparative Literatures etc.

Apart from her extensive academic achievements, she has been holding important administrative positions: she is a nominee of the Visitor (the President of India) at several Central Universities, and is a subject expert on different UGC Committees. She has served as the Director of both the English Language Teaching Centre as well as the Canadian Studies Centre at Osmania University. During her tenure as the President of the Shastri Indo-Canadian Institute, Prof. Singh revitalized the institution with her initiatives. Her handsome contribution to the strengthening of bilateral relations in the education sector was acknowledged when she was invited to participate

in the closed Educational Roundtable with the Prime Minister of Canada, Hon'ble Stephen Harper, to discuss future directions of higher education between India and Canada, during his visit to India in 2009, apart from being invited to other official engagements.

Prof. Singh is an extraordinarily capable and dedicated educationist, held in high esteem nationally and internationally. She was honoured by the India-Canada Chamber of Commerce (ICCC) for her leadership in strengthening bilateral ties and collaboration in higher education, in November 2011. She is also a recipient of the prestigious Rashtriya Gaurav Award (2011) for her outstanding contribution to higher education.

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