



## KM Workshop # 2-c:

# **Blog+DL: Groupware for Knowledge Management**

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Prof. Vilas introduced a general overview of concepts and uses of Blogs and Digital Libraries. Blogs are originally used as preservation—archive of digitized copies of rare documents, books and historical objects; and for study by people of new generations. It is now used as a central repository to store virtually all works of faculty and staff and preservation of all works so that they do not vanish with time (and technological obsolescence).

The Blogs and Digital Library (Blog+DL)-based Knowledge Management Systems are considered as modern information technologies that are combined to develop a second-generation of KM systems. These are modern information technologies deployable on the internet or an intranet that can be combined to build second-generation KM systems. Blog+ DL can assist members of an organization in sharing tacit knowledge, combining various elements of explicit knowledge, and keeping new knowledge in the knowledge bases of individuals and the organization.

### Discussion Points

1. *You mentioned snapshots in the website, do you mean, graphic?*  
Yes.
2. *How is a blog different from other knowledge sources?*  
Wikipedia, is different from blogs since people can react and change its contents. Wikipedia is used as a received authority although it should not be.
3. *After differentiating blogs from Wikipedia, Mr. Vilas was asked about his opinion on how to balance wikipedia as a received authority in knowledge management.*  
There are lesser people cited as the source of research in open world blogs.