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Yashi is a result-oriented sustainability professional; her goal is to align creative and innovative sustainable business strategies into organizations by proactive leadership and education of stakeholders. Yashi has worked on sustainability projects in various industries including textiles, apparel, hospitality, academic institutes, sports, commercial printing, transportation, and the oil and gas industry. She has recently advised a Fortune 100 global conglomerate for improving their ESG performance score and in the UN SDG selection process. Yashi is the founder of a sustainability consulting firm - KAHANI. Its inception is deeply rooted in one of the worst industrial disasters in human history – Bhopal Gas Tragedy. Yashi is one of the fortunate survivors of this horrific industrial accidents, she established KAHANI as her commitment to support organizations to be responsible and purpose-driven. Yashi aims to engage, educate, and encourage organizations to embrace and embed sustainability at their organization via KAHANI. Yashi helps companies reduce their operating costs while reducing their environmental impact and increasing their social impact. KAHANI's services target to improve the triple bottom line of organizations by providing these services – Sustainability Planning Services, Carbon Emission Calculations, and Social Impact Assessment. Yashi provides workshops and seminars for educating stakeholders for embedding sustainability into the core of the organization. Yashi also supports organizations in improving their ESG performance score and addressing the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals. Yashi is currently working with Hyperloop Transportation Technologies as a sustainability contributor to evaluate the environmental and social benefits of this futuristic transportation technology. Yashi has been associated with the fashion industry for more than 15 years; she has been a faculty at various fashion institutes for more than 5 years. Yashi has participated at the United Nations, New York during the Commission on the Status of Women Conference. Yashi participated in revising the guidelines for conducting Social Life Cycle Assessment at the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), Paris. Yashi is the secretary and the programming director of Harvard Alumni for Fashion, Luxury and Retail, a Shared Interest Group of Harvard University Alumni. Yashi holds a graduate degree focusing on sustainability, and a certificate in Corporate Sustainability and Innovation from Harvard University Extension School. She won Dean's Prize at Harvard for Outstanding Consulting with Clients for Sustainability Solutions Capstone Project, along with Dean's Certificate for Academic Achievement. Yashi's first master's degree is in Textiles from North Carolina State University. She has a bachelor's diploma in Fashion Design and Information Technology from the National Institute of Fashion Technology.