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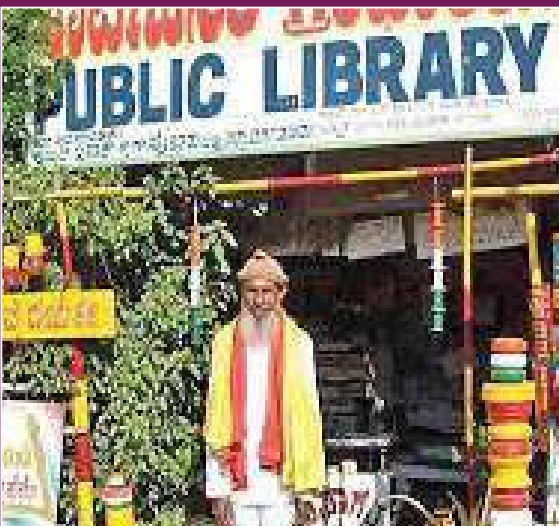
## APPEAL TO MEMBERS

Dear Professionals

News from different regions/states are solicited from ILA members and other LIS Professionals for inclusion in the newsletter. News from 26th of previous month to 25th of current month (Ex: 26th July to 25th August) with photographs and brief reports may kindly be sent to [ilanewslettereditor@gmail.com](mailto:ilanewslettereditor@gmail.com) on or before 26th of current month.

The news includes, success stories, important and significant current affairs, organization of functions, conferences, seminars, webinars, planned future events, appointments/career advancements, awards, achievements, obituaries, noteworthy readings, forgotten writings, rare pictures, book reviews etc. Seeking cooperation from all professionals.

Editor



## Appeal to honourable Prime Minister of India

Library Science professionals & Indian heritage lovers across the country have made an appeal to the Prime Minister of India that they are immensely concerned about the relocation, reorganisation and conservation/preservation of the cultural heritage and books housed in GOI libraries located in different buildings like Krishi Bhavan, Nirman Bhavan, Shastri Bhavan, etc to the new secretariat complex, Central Vista and requested the Prime Minister of India to take appropriate measures for proper relocation and upkeep of our precious heritage material.

This will need suitable and accessible space for reorganising cultural heritage for posterity. There will be a need for adoption of international standards for conservation/preservation of these materials; creation of appropriate climate controlled space for the

artefacts and rare books. It is essential to have trained manpower to maintain and to provide service to the prospective users. They also requested the PM to constitute a taskforce with members representing academia, LIS profession, archives, museums and Indian heritage lovers.

### NISCAIR gets new name again:

NISCAIR has now become NIScPR. CSIR-NISCAIR got merged with CSIR-NISTADS to become CSIR-NIScPR (National Institute of Science Communication and Policy Research. This new institution was inaugurated by Dr. Harsh Vardhan Union Minister for Science and Technology, Earth Sciences, Health and Family Welfare & Vice President CSIR on 14th January 2021.

## Events organized

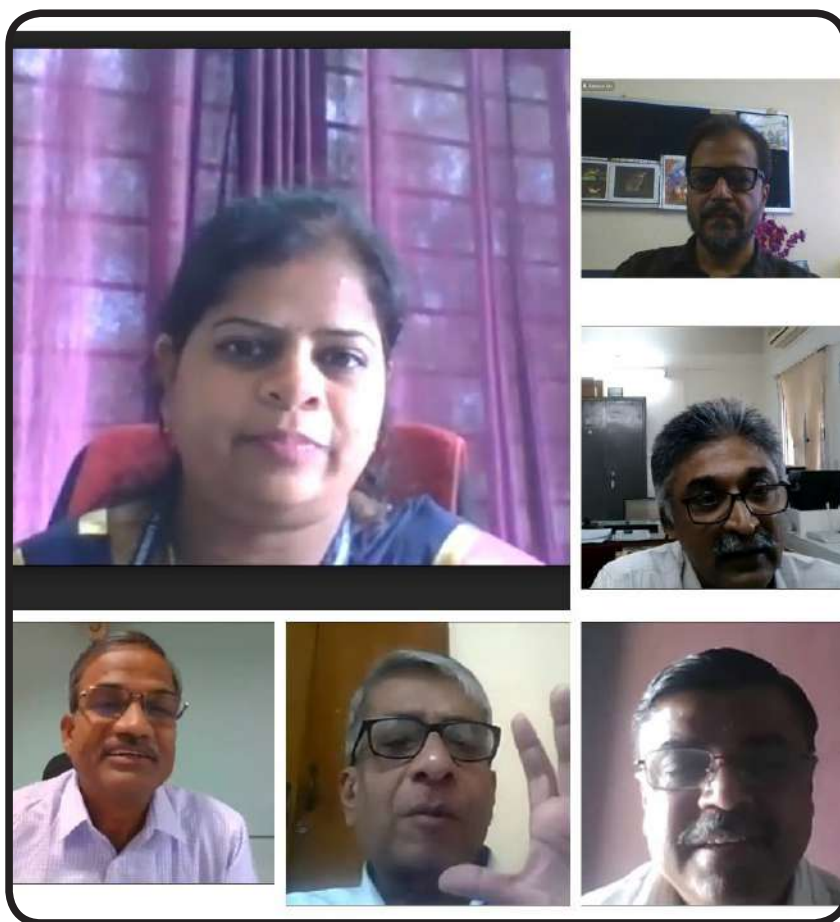
### 1. 5 days National Workshop on Ontologies:

The Department of Library and Information Science, Karnataka State Akkamahadevi Women's University, Vijayapura organized a national online workshop on 'Ontologies' under CURIE project "Applications of Artificial Intelligence" of DST in joint collaboration with the Department of Computer Science from 4th January 2021 to 8th January 2021. Prof. K S Raghavan, Prof Kavi Mahesh Director, IIIT, Dharwad and Dr Biswanath Datta, Associate Professor, DRTC, ISI, Bengaluru were the resource persons.

### 2. Online Workshop at College of Forestry, Srsi

One day national online workshop was organized at the College of Forestry, Srsi of University of Agricultural Sciences, Dharwad under NAHEP-IDP Scheme on Innovative use of online resources to enhance entrepreneurial skills among students on 9th January 2021.

Honourable Prof M B Chetti, Vice Chancellor of the UASD inaugurated the workshop. Prof P G Tadasad, Professor, DLISc, Karnataka State Akkamahadevi Women's University, Vijayapura delivered the keynote address while Mr B S Ravishankar of Informatics Publishing Ltd, Bengaluru demonstrated the skills required to use the online resources which are useful to Forestry and allied sciences. Dr. Deepthi Assistant Librarian, moderated the program.



### 3. Workshop on 'LIBRARIES':

A 2 Day- Workshop LIBRARIES 2021 (Literacy Initiatives for Bridging Readers And Resources Involving Educators and Schools) in a blended mode was organized on 27th and 28th February 2021 in Central University of Gujarat, Gandhinagar by the School of Library and Information Science in collaboration with Centre for Professional Development of Teacher Educators, Pandit Madan Mohan Malviya National Mission on Teachers and Training (PMMMNMTT), School of Education, Central University of Gujarat.

The workshop included five Hands-on Sessions on the following topics:

Developing a School Library program with evidence-based practice: an experiential workshop by Ms. Madhu Bhargav, President, School Library Association, India from Aga Khan Academy, Hyderabad; Web tools for school libraries by Mr. S L Faisal, Kendriya Vidyalaya, Pattom from Trivandrum; The vital importance of Nonfiction in the school library by Ms. Usha Mukunda from Centre For Learning, Bangalore; Books and Children – How Libraries can foster relationships between them by Ms. Sujata Noronha, from Bookworm, Goa and Facilitating Universal Human Value Education during library hours by Dr. Sheetal Tank, from Atmiya University, Rajkot.

The workshop also included 3 Professional Talks given by well-known experts in the field of libraries and education, namely: 'New Education Policy and Role of School Libraries' by Dr Moortimathi Samantray, NCERT, New Delhi; 'Joy of Learning' by Prof Manish Jain, IIT Gandhinagar; 'Open Educational Resources for School Libraries' by Dr S Nagaraja, Deputy librarian from RIE, NCERT, Mysuru and Dr Rashmi T Kumbar, Convenor of LIBRARIES- 2021 coordinated the workshop.



### 4. One day Seminar at Karnatak University, Dharwad:

One day Seminar on "Planning and Implementation of Library and Information Services in the Changing Digital Environment" was held at the Department of Library and Information Science, Karnatak University, Dharwad on 22nd March, 2021. As part of the seminar: Prof. P G Tadasad, Professor, DLIS Karnataka State Akkamahadevi Women's University, Vijayapura delivered a lecture on "Planning and Implementation of Library and Information science Services in the Changing Digital Environment" (Prof. M. R. Kumbhar Memorial Lecture Series 2020-21). Prof. M M Kognurmah delivered lecture on "Best Practices for LIS Professionals" (Prof. C. R. Karisiddappa Foundation Lecture Series 2020-21".

Prof. B Ramesha Professor, DLIS, Bengaluru University, Bengaluru delivered a lecture on "Web Accessibility Resources and Organisations for PWDs" (Golden Jubilee Lecture Series 2020-21). Dr. Nagappa

Bakkannavar Head, IRC, Tata Consultancy Service, Bengaluru delivered a lecture on “End User Education Planning and Implementation strategies for Information Services in the changing Environment” (Silver Jubilee Lecture Series 2020-21). Dr Anand Bandi Head, IRC National Institute of Fashion Technology, Navi Mumbai delivered a lecture on “Open Access initiatives and IPR issues” (IASLIC Lecture series 2020-21).



## 5. Panel Discussion on South Asia:

Dr. Sarika Sawant was invited as a panellist on behalf of South Asia in a program organised by American Spaces on April 9th, 2021. On the occasion of the National Library month, American Spaces (American cultural centers) affiliated with the U.S. Missions to India, organised a panel discussion on ‘Future of libraries beyond four walls’. Nepal and Bangladesh were co-host of the program. The audience of ten American Spaces in South Asia region attended the panel discussion which was live streamed on Facebook page of U.S. Missions to India.

Dr. Sawant got an opportunity to share her thoughts on various questions / concerns raised by the moderator i.e. Ms. Dawn La Valle, Director, Division of Library Development, Connecticut. Other panellists were Mr. Corey Halaychik, MLIS, MS, Head of Content Management, University of Texas Libraries



& Ms. Peggy Cadigan, Deputy State Librarian for Innovation & Outreach, New Jersey State Library. The panellists were asked about their views on libraries' response to COVID, digital divide, the expectation of users after reopening of the libraries & what are the most critical changes that libraries must make to continue to be useful resources in their communities. The program was ended with lively discussion and Q&As.

Link to the program <https://www.facebook.com/60367306581/videos/1534111773601023>.



KLE Society's P C Jabin Science College - Workshop On 'Ethical Issues In Resea...

**6. Online Workshop at P C Jabin Science College, Hubballi:**

KLE Society’s P C Jabin Science College, Hubballi had organized a one day online workshop on 7th June 2021 on “Ethical Issues in Research”. Prof P G Tadasad, Professor, DLISc, Karnataka State Akkamahadevi Women’s University, Vijayapura and Dr Satish Kanamadi, Librarian Tata Institute of Social Science, Mumbai were the Resource Persons on the occasion. Prof. Tadasad, spoke on “Ethics in research” and Dr. Kanamadi “Plagiarism – Prevention and best practices”. Prof. L D Horakeri, Principal and Ms. Vijayalaxmi A Shivanagi Librarian were present during the workshop.

**7. National online workshop on “ Use of e- Resources in Agricultural libraries” at UASD:**

One day online National workshop on Use of e-resources in Agricultural Libraries was conducted in University of Agriculture Science, Dharwad on 12th, June 2020 under World Bank funded ICAR-NAHEP-IDP project. The workshop was inaugurated by Dr. C. Devkumar, Former ADG (EP&HS) Agricultural Education Division, ICAR, NewDelhi. Honourable Vice Chancellor Dr. Mahadev B. Chetti, Team Leader-ICAR-NAHEP-IDP presided over the workshop. Dr. K. Veeranjanyulu, deliberated a session on Agricultural knowledge management in the digital era. Dr Shilpa Upalaonkar Assistant Librarian coordinated the workshop.



## Interesting Stories

**1**

### **Bargain Book Hut – Now available online**

Bargain Book hunt famous in Mumbai, Surat, Ahmedabad, Goa, Chandigarh, Pune and Bengaluru have now started an online store at [bargainbookhutonline.com](http://bargainbookhutonline.com) bringing books at a great bargain to everyone. One may even get a 90% discount on certain titles, while 70% to 80% is common. But most of the offers have a short validity period. In fact there is a “deal of the day” section where book offers expire at the end of the day.

**2**

### **Open Consultancy for Indian Researchers**

Some of the like-minded Library professionals are volunteering to assist researchers to solve their reference/ information queries in their personal capacity in the challenging times of COVID-19 pandemic.

For more details, kindly check the brochure attached herewith or visit <https://sites.google.com/view/ocircommunity/>

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### **International Decade of Indigenous Languages IDIL(2022-2032)**

UNESCO has decided to celebrate the next decade as International Decade of Indigenous Languages IDIL (2022-2032). The UNESCO Global Task Force is in the process of preparation of global action plan.

Interesting to read:

This textbook may be of interest to you, especially for the teachers and students of LIS. Legal Issues in Libraries and Archives <https://mlpp.pressbooks.pub/librarylaw/>

**4**

### **Amazon's refusal to lend e-books**

Amazon has refused to let Libraries lend E-books. It shows why controlled Digital Lending Is So Important. For more details visit:

<https://www.techdirt.com/articles/20210312/00133146408/amazons-refusal-to-let-libraries-lend-ebooks-shows-why-controlled-digital-lending-is-so-important.shtml>

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### **Yahoo Answers is no more. Long live Yahoo Answers**

Deleting Yahoo Answers is a disastrous idea. For history's sake, one needs to preserve our digital record. For more information visit

<https://www.businessinsider.com/deleting-yahoo-answers-disastrous-idea-preserve-our-digital-record-2021-4?IR=T>

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**Librarian Guide**

Pragya Tripathi, a library professional Post-graduated from Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi is running a YouTube Channel namely "Librarian Guide" where educational videos on different topics especially related to technology being used in libraries around the globe are uploaded. The purpose of this channel is to educate the professionals who are keen to learn about different applications beneficial for the library. All the videos are prepared based on self experience and problems faced during testing.

As on date, the channel has more 350 videos on different library technologies such as Open Source ILMS – Koha, Open Source Content Management System – Joomla, Open Source content Management System – WordPress, Development of Android Apps, Marketing of Library Services, Reference Management Tools such as Mendeley, Zotero, Innovative Library Services, Webinar Series Videos - Talk by Distinguished Speakers in LIS, E-Resource Management and different Applications for General Purpose

For more information visit: [www.youtube.com/c/librarianguide](http://www.youtube.com/c/librarianguide); [www.librarianguide.org](http://www.librarianguide.org)

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**Copyright registration:**

Bombay High Court shows the right way. For information visit <https://www.thehindubusinessline.com/opinion/copyright-registration-bombay-high-court-shows-the-right-way/article34436837.ece>

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**Fire damages historic South African library**

Forest fires raging in South Africa's Table Mountain National Park have reached the University of Cape Town and gutted the reading room of its main library which houses irreplaceable documents and records from the country's past.

For more information visit:

<https://nature.us17.list-manage.com/track/click?u=2c6057c528fdc6f73fa196d9d&id=d-e9cd6ba32&e=9dc40acf40>



# Obituaries

## Prof.S. Parthasarathy

Prof.S.Parthasarathy, Former Head of INSDOC (CSIR) passed away on 12th April 2021. A direct disciple and a close associate of Dr. S. R. Ranganathan, Prof. Srirangapattanam Parthasarathy was born on 23rd August 1917. He had his higher education at the University of Madras and University of Chicago. Before joining CSIR, Prof. Parthasarathy worked in the Delhi University Library and also taught as a Lecturer in the Department of Library Science of the University of Delhi. At INSDOC he was responsible for several innovative services and programmes including the INSDOC List and the Union Catalogue of Scientific Serials.

He was also closely associated with the training programme of INSDOC leading to Associateship in Documentation. Prof. Parthasarathy was one of the key persons in organizing the FID / CR 3rd International Conference on Classification Research (held at BARC, Mumbai) in January 1975. He was also instrumental in setting up the documentation subcommittee of the Indian Standards Institution (now, Bureau of Indian Standards) and served as a member of the committee for many years.

Several library / documentation related standards have been prepared by the committee. Prof. Parthasarathy was also a member of the UGC Review Committee on library science education in India (The report of the committee published under the title 'Library Science in Indian Universities' served as a model and framework for LIS education programmes in the country for several years). He was also a member of the UGC Committee on University libraries, which suggested standards for university libraries.

Prof. Parthasarathy was active in several committees of the FID. He served as a member of the FID Committee on Developing Countries and also as a FID Council Member (1970-75). He also served as an expert / consultant in Africa to international organizations including UNIDO. He was an expert member in Documentation at the Industrial Development Centre for Arab States, Cairo. Prof. Parthasarathy was also one of the members of the Advisory Committee set up by the Department of Science & Technology (DST) of the Government of India for preparing the blueprint for NISSAT.

After his retirement from INSDOC. Prof. Parthasarathy served as an Honorary professor at DRTC,



Indian Statistical Institute, Bangalore for some time. He moved to Chennai in 1977 and remained active till the very end. He was an active member of the Madras Library Association and was the guiding force in organizing several programmes under its banner including the All India Library Conference of ILA (1991) held in Chennai in the birth centenary year of Dr. Ranganathan of which he was the Director. He was also one of the key persons in the organization of the 2nd International ISKO Conference held in Chennai in 1992.

He played an important role in the creation of the documentary on S. R. Ranganathan (brought out by the Madras Library Association in 1992 as part of the birth centenary celebrations of Dr. Ranganathan). He was one of the founder trustee of the Ranganathan Centre for Information Studies (Founded by Bharat Ratna Sri C. Subramanian in association with Prof. M. S. Swaminathan, Prof. M. Anandakrishnan, Prof. A. Neelamegha and others).

Prof. Parthasarathy had also been a long-time trustee of the Sarada Ranganathan Endowment for Library Science and has been instrumental in organizing many of its activities including the ISKO International Conference held in the University of Mysore in 2012 and SRR@125: Revisiting Ranganathan: An International Conference held at the Indian Institute of Technology Madras in 2017.

Prof Parthasarathy was actively involved in planning and implementing higher education programmes. He was one of the members of the Board



of Management of the MOP Vaishnav College for Women, Chennai and took keen interest in planning the programmes and activities of the College. Even at age 100, he was an avid reader and would regularly visit the American Library, the British Council Library, and the Madras University Library. He was a regular at the conferences of the Indian Library Association and IASLIC. To honour this legend, a festschrift was brought out in 2009 (Library and Information Systems: From Alexandrian Heritage to Social Networking). In his passing the profession has lost a tall leader, a visionary, and a great human being.

### Mr. M. N Seetharaman

One of the great visionary LIS professionals Mr. M N Seetharaman passed away on May 22, 2021 due to COVID. He was 94. Popularly known as MNS was Ex. Head, Information Centre, NAL, Bangalore. He played very important role in setting up of 4'X4' wind tunnel most important milestone of NAL. He took information centre to the highest level and served as its Head, since the setting up Library in 1960s till 1987. He had set up NICDROM at NAL, under NISSAT.

Among many firsts to his credit he experimented in collaboration with TIFR and introduced satellite based Online Information service through European Space Agency at NAL in 1980s itself. He built exhaustive collection of Technical Reports.



Initially he was working in "Information & Coordination" dept of NAL. When the position of Librarian at NAL fell vacant in early 1970s, he volunteered to undergo training at INSDOC, New Delhi, and became Office-In-Charge (ICA-NAL). He got training in Library automation at Luxemburg.

He was a dynamic and knowledge oriented personality. With his skills in collection development, resource sharing and interaction with fellow librarians NAL became centre of professional activities. After his retirement from NAL he became consultant to Govt. of Afghanistan for a short period and then joined IIT, Madras as Librarian. He hosted 39th ILA Conference at IIT in 1991

### Prof A Amudhavalli



Renowned LIS Professor Dr.A.Amudhavalli, Former HoD, DLIS, University of Madras, passed away due to illness on 17.05.2021 Monday at Tirunelveli Town. She is known for her upright honesty, sincerity, straightforwardness and academic integrity. Known as a strict disciplinarian, she has contributed enormously for the development of LIS education and research.

### Inder Vir Malhan (1954-2021): A Gentle Giant

Prof. Inder Vir Malhan passed away on 26th of January 2021. Born in Sidhwan-Bet, a village in the Ludhiana District of Punjab, on 31 May 1954. Prof. Malhan had his schooling from the government school in his village. He graduated in Bioscience in the first division. He completed his M.Lib.Sc. (earning a Gold Medal) from the Panjab University, Chandigarh in 1977. He completed his Ph.D. in 1986. After doing some odd jobs, includ-



At the national level, he remained a member of the UGC expert committee set up for coordinating and vetting the development of model curricula for undergraduate studies in library and information science. Membership of the Research Advisory Board, DELNET was another feather in his cap. Being a member of the UGC National Committee on Electronic Theses and Dissertations he was made a member of the National Advisory Committee of eShodh Sindhu constituted by the MHRD, Govt. of India. As a topical coordinator for e-PG-Pathshala project and coordinator for the conversion of e-PG-Pathshala content to MOOCs he was instrumental in creating quality content for students and researchers. He did excellent work as a member of the committee

ing teaching, at Punjab University he entered fully in academic teaching and research at the University of Jammu in 1983. There, later, he headed the Department of Library and Information Science for more than a decade and also headed the University of Jammu Library System for a long time. He donned many a hat at Jammu University of several important positions such as Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences, Director, Academic Staff College. In 2011 he joined as Head of the newly founded department of library and Information science at the Central University of Himachal Pradesh. There he rose to many eminent positions such as of Dean, Academics and Dean, School of Mathematics, Computers and Information Science, in-charge Librarian of the University Library System of the Central University of Himachal Pradesh and de facto Pro-Vice-Chancellor. He superannuated from there on 31 May 2019 after a notable career of four decades of teaching, research, education administration, and policy formulation.

to propose a draft Library Legislation for the then State of J&K. He was elected unopposed President of the IATLIS for the term 2018-2020. During his term, with the help of Prof Jagtar Singh, IATLIS developed international ties. On his invitation, Dr. Alton Grizzle, Communication and Information Specialist, UNESCO, Paris conducted a media and literacy workshop in India in addition to a few lectures at various online webinars.

He had published 110 papers in Indian and foreign journals and conference volumes. He authored and edited 12 books published in India and abroad. He had visited fourteen countries to present papers and chair sessions at conferences. That is in addition to scores of invited lectures delivered in India and abroad as a resource person at refresher courses, workshops including workshops organized abroad by international bodies and professional associations such as UNESCO and IFLA. His works are cited in several Indian and foreign publications. Many bibliometric studies have rated him among the top

prolific LIS author in India. He was associated with about a dozen professional journals published from India and abroad. Numerous well deserved awards and recognition came his way. He was a recipient of the IASL Leadership Development Grant, USA (1989) and Fulbright Fellowship in Library and Information Science (1996-97), nomination to Fellowship of the Society of Information Science (2006), and Kaula-Ranganathan Gold Medal(2006). Taking note of his vast, dedicated and excellent work as a teacher, researcher, and educational administrator the SRFLIS Council ([www.srflisindia.org](http://www.srflisindia.org)) conferred on him the Lifetime Achievement award 2018 in April 2019.

### **Prof. B. Nagappa**

Benny Nagappa (B. Nagappa) was a gentle, soft-spoken, humble, caring, and empathising person. He was a personification of many other virtues too. He was very courteous with others, a quality which he probably admired the most as revealed by the name 'Soujanyaashree' that he has given to his house at Saraswathipuram, Mysuru.

Prof. B. Nagappa was born as a second among the five sons to a pious couple Sri Basappa Benny and Smt Chennabasamma, on September 6 1936, at a village Chikkabidre, Harihara Taluk, Davanagere District. Prof. Nagappa married a pious lady Smt. Basamma in 1965. The couple has a daughter Smt. Indira.

Prof. Nagappa carved a niche for himself from a humble background to become a Professor at the Department of Library and Information Science, University of Mysore, Mysuru. He earned his BA from Maharaja's College, Mysuru, MA in Anthropology from Karnatak University, Dharwad and BLISc / MLISc from the University of Mysore. He always used to say that he entered the teaching profession because of Prof. K.S. Deshpande, whom he accidentally met at the railway station. From 1970 to 1996, he was on the rolls

of teaching faculty at the University of Mysore but for two years in-between when he earned professional experience by serving as the librarian at JJM Medical College, Davanagere. As a professor, he was par-excellent. Prof. Nagappa taught Academic libraries, Cataloguing and Library Management, apart from innumerable life values at MyDLIS. He used to down to the Department every day and was hale and healthy throughout his life, except at the end.

Post-retirement, Prof. Nagappa kept himself busy reading the literary works both in Kannada and English; and gardening, a habit that endured till his last breath.

Professor B. Nagappa, passed away two months back, i.e., on January 17, 2021, at the Bhrahmimahurtham in the morning around 4.15 am. Throughout his life, Prof. Nagappa was an ardent follower of Lord Buddha, and he used to chant every day the mantra Bhudham Sharanam Gachchami . Prof. Nagappa had most of the verses of MankuthimanaK-aggga on his finger-tips.

### **Mr. S Thammaiah**

Mr. S.Thammaiah, former Director, Dept. of Public Libraries, Karnataka expired on Thursday, 13th May 2021 at his home in Nandini Layout, Bengaluru. Mr. Thammaiah completed his B.Lib.Sc. from Karnatak University, Dharwad, in 1966. He was one of the earliest to serve the Department, as the Public Libraries Act came in being in 1966. He was one among the few from the Department who had a thorough knowledge of the Karnataka State Public Libraries Act, 1965. Mr. Thammaiah served the department in various capacities, from Technical Assistant to Director of the Department, and had also served as Chief Librarian (Now Dy Director) in Mangalore, Gulbarga and Bangalore Jayanagar City Central Library. His unique achievement in the Department was to undertake a computerised Stock Verification of

20 Lakh books the entire collection under the City Central Library Jayanagar and its Branches, then using the dBASE-IV DBMS programming.

### **Mr. Dandapani**

Mr. Dandapani, the former Librarian of the British Library, Bangalore is no more. He was a dynamic, enterprising, and indeed a very popular librarian in Bangalore during his tenure as a Librarian. He had made the British Library almost like a "Talk of the Town". Mr Dhandapani has served 35 years at British Library at various positions. He was an English Teacher in Tamil Nadu after obtaining his BTE degree ( Bachelor of Teacher in English) later he moved to British Library. Mr Dhandapani was a committed and service focused Librarian. Great Human being and a model Librarian he was a great administrator, leader and founding member of the Association of British Scholars, Bangalore. He was recognized with an MBE ( Member of British Empire,) for his outstanding & exemplary service to the community by the British Monarchy.

### **Dr. Bhooshan Lal**

Dr. Bhooshan Lal, ex Librarian, Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur on 5th May 2021 in Noida during his sleep due to brain tumor, he is survived by his two daughters. He was one of the founding Librarians at the start of digitization and formation of Consortium's in 2001 and was one of the founding members of the INDEST Consortium.

### **Smt. Aruna P R**

Smt. Aruna P.R. breathed her last on May 1, 2021 in Bengaluru. Smt. Aruna P.R. did her Bachelors in Library Science in 1975-76 and Master Program in 1976-77 at DLIS, University of Mysore, Mysuru. Her long and ded-

icated service at Library of Congress Delhi Center as Acquisitions Head during 1996 to 2011 has earned much appreciation.

### **Dr.Suprabhat Majumdar**

Senior Professional Dr.Suprabhat Majumdar, former University Librarian of University of Delhi died due to Covid-19 Pandemic. He was a great LIS Intellectual. The profession has witnessed his dynamic role in building two giant Library systems in India. He proved his organising capacity while hosting the International Conference in 2009.

### **Dattatreya Kulkarni**

Popularly known as DR among friends, Dattatreya Kulkarni fell victim to COVID 19 on 8th April 2021. An alumni of Karnatak University, Dharwad, he started his career with INFLIBNET Centre in 1994 as Library Professional on a temporary assignment. Later, he joined ABB Ltd, Baroda as Library Officer and worked for a brief period. He joined British Council Library, Ahmedabad as Assistant Librarian, later he became Deputy Manager and Manager and contributed significantly for the development of BCL, Ahmedabad. He served British Council Library as Manager till it was closed (2019). He was working as Deputy Librarian (2020-) for SVKM's Narsee Monjee Institute of Management Studies (NMIMS) Developing a Public Library for the city of Shirpur on the lines of BCL. He was a very humble, efficient, helpful professional. He was also helpful in making many young professionals as BCL Trainees.

# PUBLICATIONS OF INDIAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

1. 65th ILA International Conference Proceedings, International Conference on 'Digital Landscape: Re-invention and reengineering of Libraries: Issues and Challenges', Chief Editor Dr. O.N.Chaubey, edited by Dr. Dharam Kumar, Dr. Pradeep Rai, Dr. Mohan R, Kherde, Dr. Rishi K Tiwari and Dr. Gururaj S Hadagali, at Sant Gadge Baba Amravati University, Amravati (Maharashtra) during 26th – 28th February. 2021. Rs. 3500, US\$ 175
2. 64th ILA Conference on 'Transforming Libraries and Information Centres in Digital Era', Chief Editors Dr. Pradeep Rai and Dr. Dharam Kumar, Editors Dr. N. S. Shokeen, Dr. O.N.Chaubey, Dr. Rishi K Tiwari, Dr. Pravin K. Choudhary and Dr. G.H.S.Naidu at Shri Vaishnav Vidyapeeth Vishwavidyalaya, Indore (MP) during 14-16 March 2019. Rs.3500, US\$ 175
3. 63rd ILA International Conference on 'Sustainable Development of Library and Information Science Profession' Chief Editor Dr. D.V.Singh Editors Dr. Pradeep Rai, Dr. Dharam Kumar, Dr. N.S. Shokeen Dr. O.N.Chaubey and Dr. M.P. Singh at Babasaheb Bhimrao Ambedkar University, Lucknow during 23rd–25th November, 2017. Rs.3500, US\$ 175
4. 62nd ILA International Conference on 'Gearing up for the future Library Initiatives for Digital India' Chief Editors Prof. Ashu Shokeen and Dr. D.V. Singh; Editors Dr. Pradeep Rai, Dr. Tariq Ashraf, Dr. O.N.Chaubey, Dr. Pravin Kr. Choudhary and Prof. P.G. Tadsad at Karnataka State Women's University, Vijayapura, Karnataka during 9th-11th February, 2017. Rs. 3500, US\$ 175
5. 61st ILA International Conference on 'Sustaining the Excellence: Transforming Libraries through Technology, Innovation and Value added Services in Google Era' Chief Editor Prof. B.Ramesha; Editors Dr. D.V. Singh, Dr. Pradeep Rai, Dr. Nilesh N. Soni, Dr. N. S. Shokeen, Dr. Hemavathi B.N., Dr. O.N.Chaubey and Dr. Pravin Kr. Choudhary at Saurashtra University Library, Rajkot (Gujarat) during 12th-15th March, 2016. Rs. 2500, US\$ 150
6. 60th ILA International Conference Proceedings on 'Embedded Librarianship and Technological Challenges of the Digital Age' edited by Prof. B.Ramesha, Dr. Pradeep Rai, Dr. Raj Kumar, Dr. Hemavathi B.N., Dr. O.N.Chaubey, Dr. Rajesh Kumar Bhardwaj, Dr. Pravin Kr. Choudhary and Dr. N.S.Shokeen, Rs.3500, US\$ 175.
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