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• On This Day in 1999 - Library of Congress - Metromedia president John W. Kluge donates \$60 million to establish the John W. Kluge Center for Scholars and Prize in the Human Sciences on Oct. 5. It is the largest private monetary gift in the Library's history.

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• On This Day in 1901 - Library of Congress - On Oct. 28, the Library announces that its printed catalog cards are now available for sale to libraries around the world.

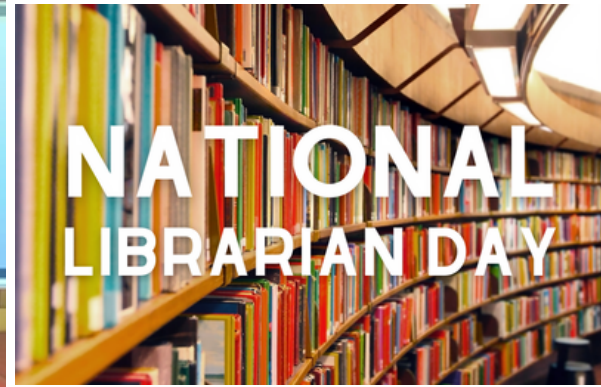
Dear Professionals

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 on or before 26th of current month.

The news includes, success stories, important and significant current affairs, organisation 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



Karnataka State Akkamahadevi Women University, Vijayapura

National Librarians day was celebrated by the University Library in joint collaboration with Department of Library and Information Science, and IQAC of the Karnataka State Akkamahadevi Women University, Vijayapura by organizing a special lecture on "Predatory Journals by Dr M M Bachalapur, Librarian, BLDEA's VP Dr P G Halakatti College of Engineering & Technology, Vijayapura. He advised the researchers to be careful about the journals that exploit potential authors by seeking money. He gave the description of quality journals and also gave tips on how to avoid publishing in predatory journals. Dr Shantadevi T Dean Professor of LIS and Dean Faculty of Social Sciences, Karnataka State Akkamahadevi Women University presided over the function. Prof P G Tadasad Senior Professor and Chairman, DLISc welcomed the guests and Prof A Gavisiddappa Professor of LIS and Librarian (I/C) proposed vote of thanks.

The Central University of Karnataka, Central Library, Kalaburagi



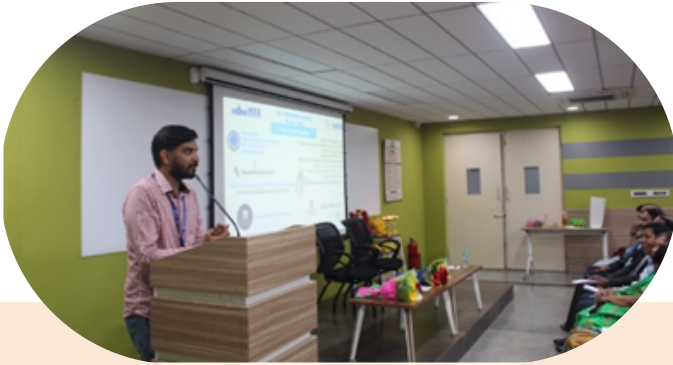
*National
Librarian's Day
Celebrations
2024*

The Central University of Karnataka, Central Library in collaboration with Indian Library Association, New Delhi organised One-Day National Seminar on AI and Research: Implications and Applications on the occasion of National Library Day celebration commemorations. The Organising secretary Dr. P.S.Kattimani, University Librarian, has briefed in a nutshell about the one-day National program. Talks delivered in technical session first Mr. Pravin Shet, on Learn AI with Packt, technical session two Dr. Gururaj Mukarambi, Assistant professor, Dept. of Computer Science, CUK, has delivered a brief impact of the 21st era of disruptive technologies (AI, Machine learning IoT and computer Vision) on society. Technical session three talk delivered by Mr. Shivcharn on JoVE and Write full, an automated proofreading tool. Mr Binnoy delivered a talk on Grammarly and AI, and Mr Gupta V delivered a talk on Remote access and the Digital portal. Finally, he expressed his thanks to the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor Prof. Battu Satyanarayan for his outstanding support for hosting the event on AI.

Dr. S. M Pujar, Chief Librarian, Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research (IGIDR), Mumbai, was the Chief Guest of this program and spoke on AI and Research and highlighted the transformation of library from manual to digital. He added that there is a drastic change that could be seen in the library activities in terms of providing academic library services to the user community by the librarians. He recalled Dr. S.R. Ranganathan's contributions to the Five Laws of Library Science, Classification scheme, Library Catalogue, Library Education, Library Extension, documentation of Library philosophy, etc.

Prof. Channaveer R. M, Registrar(i/c), has released Good Morning CUK New Clipping services initiated by Central Library CUK and appreciated the Librarian and team for contributing new services to the stakeholders to upgrade their knowledge. Further, he distributed certificates and mementoes for Best Library User Award in different categories and delivered presidential remarks. 172 delegates participated in the event. He added that AI is going to play a very important role in each and every sphere of life. AI brings things in a simpler way, but a researcher should think at what extent the AI tool may be used for the research. He congratulated the recipients of the awardees and the organising secretary for hosting this seminar for the stakeholder's benefit on eve of National Librarians Day. Vote of thanks was presented by Dr. Satish V Totar, Deputy Librarian, CUK.

JAIN (Deemed-to-be University), Learning Resource Center, Bengaluru



Reshmi Educational and Charitable Trust, Sri. Murugha Rajendra Swamiji B. Ed., and M. Ed. College, Kalaburagi

The Chief Guest Dr. Khemanna Aldi., University Librarian., Gulbarga University, Kalaburagi, spoke on Dr. S. R.Ranganathan's life and his works on the area of Library and Information Science. Also talked about how to make use of the Library. Also talked about the "Books and the Libraries" how these are making people educators, changing their career and lives. Smt. Smtas Begam Librarian RECT, explained how the Library is functioning based on the "Five Laws of Library Science. On this Occasion, the Prize distribution was organized to the persons who have used our Library maximum among the Students and Staff Members. The Prizes were distributed by the Chief Guest.

JAIN (Deemed-to-be University), Learning Resource Center Celebrated National Librarians Day-2024 at JU-CMS Business School, Sheshadri Road, Bangalore. Learning Resource Center arranged an Expert Talk on 'Emerging Trends in Research & Innovation: Creative Thinking, Patents, and Funding Agencies' on the occasion for faculty members, research scholars and library professionals. Dr. S. Srikanta Swamy, Director, Centre for Researcher Training and Administration, JAIN (Deemed-to-be University), Bengaluru was the Chief Guest, Dr. Abhishek Mahesh Appaji, Associate Professor, BMS College of Engineering, Bengaluru was the key resource person of the expert talk and Dr. L Sudershan Reddy, Professor, JU-CMS Business School, was the Chair person.

Mr. Prithviraj, Librarian, JU-CMS Business School, gave impactful description about the significance of National Librarian's Day. Ms. Latha M, Librarian, JU-School of Humanities and Social Science, introduced the distinguished resource person of the expert talk. The session was led by Dr. Abhishek Mahesh Appaji, who shared valuable insights into the current trends and best practices of research and innovation. The session enriched the participants' understanding the process of patent registration, seeking funds from various agencies for the research projects, the actionable strategies for leveraging creative thinking and accessing resources.

Chief Guest Dr. Srikanta Swamy, Director, JU-CRTA address after the expert talk and mentioned the role of librarians in the olden days, present status as per UGC guidelines etc. with regard to the expert talk, Dr. L Sudershan Reddy in his presidential address, throw light on the services / contribution of a library to the researchers and the relationship among the readers and the libraries. The program was ended with the vote of thanks rendered by Dr. Shobha Patil, Librarian, JU-CMS.



COLLEGE OF FORESTRY, SIRSI – UNIVERSITY OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES, DHARWAD



National Librarians' day was celebrated in the College of Forestry, Sirsi – University of Agricultural Sciences, Dharwad. The portrait of Dr. S R Ranganathan was garlanded by the Dr. R. Vasudev Dean of the College. He also inaugurated the book exhibition where in all new books purchased were exhibited on the occasion. All the teaching, non-teaching faculty and students attended the function. Dr Deepthi Assistant Librarian highlighted on the first law of Library Science.

Events Organized

Shri Sangameswar Arts and Commerce College, Chadchan.



Government First Grade College, Madanahipparga, Karnataka

On the occasion of the birth anniversary of Dr. S. R. Ranganathan, the father of library science in India, Government First Grade College, Madanahipparga, organized National Librarians' Day. Keynote address was delivered by Dr. Savitri Krishna, Librarian at GFG & PG College, Afzalpur District, Kalaburagi on the topic "Uses of Library Technologies". She pointed out that the libraries carried rich preparatory material in the form of textbooks and online materials, and challenged the student to work through current affairs questions in news and journals to increase his knowledge base.

One-Day National Seminar on "Libraries 2030: Moving Towards Smart Technologies, Services, and Resources," was held on 10th August 2024 by the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) and the Library and Information Centre. The seminar was inaugurated by Prof. B.S. Biradar, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor of Bidar University, Karnataka. His remarks highlighted how smart technologies can transform traditional libraries into vibrant, interactive spaces that meet the demands of the digital generation. Esteemed guest Prof. P.G. Tadasad, Senior Professor and Chairman of the DLIS at KSAW University, Vijayapura emphasised how libraries, especially in rural areas, can empower students by providing equitable access to digital resources. The keynote speaker, Prof. B.T. Sampath Kumar, Professor and Chairman of the Department of Library and Information Science, Tumkur University,

stressed the importance of digital literacy among librarians and the growing relevance of AI, machine learning, and data analytics in library management. He also pointed out the necessity for libraries to remain at the forefront of research, making the best use of smart technologies to provide efficient services to their users.

Dr. Prasanna Kumar B.M., University Librarian, BLDE (Deemed to be University), Vijayapura discussed the transformative potential of AI-powered cataloging and automation in resource management, allowing libraries to offer personalised services and Dr. Mallikarjun Mulimani Chief Librarian, Karnataka State Higher Education Academy, Dharwad explored how libraries can embrace smart technologies like AI, cloud computing, and IoT to streamline operations and improve user engagement. Dr. Rajashekhar Kumbar, University Librarian, Karnataka Folklore University, Gotagodi, Haveri highlighted how cloud-based services enable institutions to share digital assets efficiently, promoting a culture of resource-sharing across universities and research centres.

Dr. Anand M. Dodamani Head - Sir Dorabji TATA Memorial Library, TATA Institute of Social Sciences (TISS), Mumbai focused on the role of open educational resources (OERs) in democratising education. He showcased case studies from the Tata Institute of Social Sciences, where digital repositories of academic content, including lectures, journals, and e-books, are made freely accessible to students and faculty alike. The valedictory session, Dr. Mahesh Horakeri, Principal of Good News First Grade College, Kalagatagi, who served as the Chief Guest. In his closing address, Dr. Horakeri reflected on the profound impact technology can have on the future of library services, encouraging institutions to continuously innovate and adapt to meet the evolving needs of users.



One Day Seminar On "Opportunities & Challenges in implementation of NEP – 2020 for Libraries"

Library and Information Science Study Circle Amravati, Sant Gadge Baba Amravati University Sectional Council of Maharashtra University and College Librarians Association (MUCLA), Amravati, Prof. Ram Meghe Institute of Technological Research (PRMITR) and Prof. Prof. Ram Meghe College of Engineering and Management (PRMCEAM), Badnera was organized one-day seminar on "Role, Opportunities of Librarians and Library Staff for Implementation of National Education Policy 2020" at Ram Meghe Institute of Technology and Research (PRMITR), Badnera on 13th July 2024.

Dr. Mohan Kherde was present as a chairman of this seminar.

Dr. Sanjay Kherde, Principal of Sipna College of Engineering, inaugurated the seminar by lighting the lamp. Prof. Ram Meghe

Institute of Technology and Research Principal Dr. Gajendra Bamnote delivered the welcome speech. Dr. Dinesh Harkoot Principal, Prof. Ram Meghe College of Engineering and Management expressed about the changing trends in higher education. Secretary of Study Circle Dr. Milind Annasane, Secretary of MUCLA Dr. Ravikant Mahindkar, Deepak Gorde were present on the stage.

The seminar started with a lecture by inaugurator Principal Dr. Sanjay Kherde. In his talk, he emphasized on digitization of information on electronic resources in the National Education Policy. It is very important for the librarians to keep up-to-date with the times to provide library services, without which the research and studies will not be completed, so the librarians are urged to contribute in implementing new educational strategies. The Chairman of the function Dr. Mohan Kherde in his presidential speech has given importance to research in the national education policy, library and librarian have an important role to carry out quality research and to perform it, the librarian class needs to acquire various skills. At the outset, Dr. Supriya Bezalwar, Librarian briefed about the background of organising this seminar and explained that scheduled Seminar. It was attended by 122 Librarians and Library staffs.

In the second session, various issues and opportunities of NEP-2020 were discussed. "NEP with CBCS structure" related guidance by Dr. Done by Vishal Bapte. "What are the duties and responsibilities of librarians in relation to NEP?" Dr. Atul Wankhade gave this related guidance. "How should library services be in relation to NEP?" This subject was guided by Dr. Revathi Khokle. Dr. Vandana Khakere Guided on "Basic Library Facilities as per NAAC/NEP" and collection development in the context of NEP. Dr. Harsha Kambe gave guidance on "Library collaboration in relation to NEP". Dr. Sanjay Shenmare guided on Library services at research center with respective NEP.

Dr. Milind Anasane also gave brief introduction of NEP and put forth the role of a Librarian in NEP. The important objective of this session is to discuss and inform the librarians and fellow employees working in the library about their responsibilities and duties in the National Education Policy-2020 and also to create awareness about how the library should work according to the new technology methods being added to the library. This seminar was moderated by Madam Jyoti Gedam. The seminar concluded with vote of thanks by Dr. Anita Patil.



Faculty development program on 'Use of AI tools in Research and Publications'



BLDEA's V P Dr. P.G. Halakatti College of Engineering and Technology, Vijayapur, successfully organized a one-week faculty development program on 'Use of AI tools in Research and Publications' from Sept 9th to 13th, 2024, organized by the Department of Computer Science and Engineering and Research and Development Cell and the Library and Information Centre. In the FDP, more than 60 research scholars, faculty members and Librarians participated and benefitted from the faculty development program. Prof. Kusal K. Das, Distinguished Chair Professor, BLDE (DU), Vijayapur, was the program's chief guest and keynote speaker. He spoke on the 'Way to Excellence: Role of Research'. Organizers have invited eminent experts from various universities and industries to deliberate multiple topics for the benefit of research scholars and librarians.

Dr. P.G. Tadasad, Senior Professor from KSAWU, Vijayapur, discussed 'Overview of Research: A Bird Eye View'. It was excellent for the participants. Dr. Manjula, the senior Librarian at BLDE (DU), handled the hands-on session 'Reference Management Tools Zotero'. Dr. Sunil M.V. Assistant Professor, SDMIMD, Mysore, delivered a lecture on AI Tools in Research and Publications and handled a hands-on session on data analysis and presentation using various AI tools. Dr. M.M. Bachalapur, Chief Librarian, BLDEA's V P Dr. P.G. Halakatti College of Engineering and Technology, was the resource person and talked on Predatory Journals.

International Conference on "Opportunities and Challenges for Libraries in the Changing Education and Social Construct"



Library Week Activity at

Library week was held from 26th August 2024, various activities like speaking skills Explore on AI Invention, essay writing on "Role of Libraries in students' life", Wall Poster Making – Theme "Inventions and Innovations in Technology", Journal Talk, Tik Tok Videos using a favorite book, Book Bingo, Book Mark Decorating Contest. Overall 250 students participated for one-week activities. Large numbers of students were interested in Essay writing contest and Book mark decorating contest. Students from all streams showed lots of interest and enjoyed the activities. On 02.09.2024 Certificates and Prizes were distributed. Ms. Saritha Bai, PU Principal was the judge to select best essay writing. For Remaining activities certificates were given for those who participated in the events.



Vikram University has successfully organized Two days International Conference on "Opportunities and Challenges for Libraries in the Changing Education and Social Construct" on 22-23 August 2024 to celebrate the Centenary of First Visiting Professor of Vikram University Dr Siyali Ram amrit Ranganathan who joined Library Science in 1924. Professor Sonal Singh - Dean-Faculty of Arts was the Director and Convenor of this International Conference.

The chief guest of the inaugural function was Honourable Chief Minister of Madhya Pradesh Dr Mohan Yadav, Special Guest was President of SLA Asia Community- Professor Mahendra Pratap Singh from BBAU (Central University), Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh, Commissioner of Ujjain- Shri Sanjay Gupta, Collector of Ujjain - Shri Neeraj Kumar Singh. The inaugural function was presided over by Honourable Vice Chancellor of Vikram University Professor Akhilesh Kumar Pandey. Vote of Thanks was given by Registrar of Vikram University - Dr Anil Kumar Sharma. The inaugural function was conducted by Proctor of Vikram University - Professor Shailendra Kumar Sharma. Honourable Chief Minister Dr Mohan Yadav addressed the audience and pointed out the importance of Holi city Ujjain, Scindia Oriental Research Institute and Mahakaleshwar temple and also highlighted the Libraries of Ancient Time - Takshshila and Nalanda. Professor Sonal Singh explained the theme of the conference. Professor M. P. Singh discussed the changing needs of libraries. Shri Sanjay Gupta congratulated Professor Sonal Singh - Dean Faculty of Arts, Director and Convenor of the Conference. Shri Neeraj Kumar Singh shared his experiences about libraries during his student life and insisted on Round the clock availability of Library services. Welcome Speech was given by Honourable Vice Chancellor Professor Akhilesh Kumar Pandey.



▶▶▶ FORTHCOMING EVENTS

From Threats to Solutions: Cybersecurity in Academic Libraries - an SNSI Security Summit



Scholarly Networks
Security Initiative

With the mounting number of risks in the digital age, cybersecurity preparedness is more crucial than ever. SNSI invites you to join a dynamic and insightful webinar that brings together experts from diverse backgrounds to discuss the latest strategies and challenges in protecting institutions from cyber threats on Tuesday, October 8 at 2:00pm Eastern (US). This panel-style session will feature speakers who have extensive experience in authentication and security challenges faced by small, mid-sized and large institutions. They will also discuss the implications of the impending 'cookie-apocalypse' and explore the unique role that libraries can play in cybersecurity. Carlota Sage, Founder and Community CISO, Pocket CISO, Heather Flanagan, Principal, Spherical Cow Consulting, Michelle Polchow, Electronic Resources Librarian, University of California Davis and Emily J. Glenn, MSLS, Dean, Leon S. McGoogan Health Sciences Library, University of Nebraska Medical Center are the speakers on the occasion.

Register for this free webinar here: <https://www.choice360.org/webinars/from-threats-to-solutions-cybersecurity-in-academic-libraries-an-snsi-security-summit/>. For more information about SNSI, visit the website at <https://www.snsi.info/>

OPEN SCIENCE PRIMER TRAIN-THE-TRAINER PROGRAM

Take part in the Open Science Primer train-the-trainer program and explore how to meet the evolving Open Sciences needs of your research communities. This training will engage participants in approaches and techniques for teaching, communicating, and advocating for the various aspects of Open Science. This training is designed for academic librarians, though others are welcome to participate. All levels of experience are welcome, however some general knowledge of scholarly communications, research data management, or academic publishing is expected for participants. This program is offered as a two-day in-person event at various locations across the country, as well as an online format over a two-week period. Registration for the Open Science Primer is free and registration for the in-person sessions includes lunch and refreshments. Travel stipends are also available to those needing financial assistance to attend in person. Visit the [program site](#) to learn more, register, and apply for travel stipends.

▶▶▶ Success Story Former Students' Visit and Generous Donations to the Library

Government First Grade College, Afzalpur, Karnataka is delighted to share the heartwarming news that some of its former students, who had recently secured prestigious central government jobs, visited the library. Accompanied by their proud parents, these accomplished alumni returned to their roots with a noble gesture—they donated a valuable collection of competitive exam books to the library. This donation not only reflects their success but also their commitment to giving back to the community that once nurtured their dreams. The books they have contributed will undoubtedly serve as a vital resource for current and future students preparing for various competitive exams. The College Librarian Dr Savitri Krishna and Principal extend their heartfelt congratulations to these former students for their remarkable achievements and express our deep gratitude for their thoughtful contributions. Their generosity will inspire and benefit countless others in their academic pursuits. This act of giving back is a testament to the strong bond between our library and its patrons, and it underscores the importance of fostering a culture of support and learning that transcends generations.



News you can use

Must Read article physicists and academic librarians

This is a must read article for physicists and academic librarians around the world, and anyone interested in open access archiving.

<https://www.firstprinciples.org/article/the-archivist-paul-ginsparg-on-the-founding-and-future-of-the-world-s-physics-repository>

ROBOT 'COMMITS SUICIDE' IN SOUTH KOREA DUE TO EXCESSIVE WORKLOAD:

An administrative officer robot hired by South Korea's Gumi City Council was found unresponsive after it allegedly threw itself down a flight of stairs. This has left the local community mourning and is being called the country's first robot suicide case. The robot civil servant was discovered smashed and lying in the stairwell between the council building's first and second floors. The city council in the East Asian country has announced that the robot was found unresponsive after falling down a two-meter (six-and-a-half foot) staircase last month. A few witnesses claimed to have seen the robot officer "circling in one spot as if something was there" before the accident. However, the exact cause of the fall is currently being looked into by the authorities, AFP quoted a city council official as saying.

The official said that the company collected the robot's pieces and it will be further analysed. At the organisation, the robot was tasked with "daily document deliveries, city promotion, and delivered information" to the residents. Soon after the incident came to light, several local media outlets started questioning the apparent robot suicide. "Why did the diligent civil officer do it?" read a headline of one of the publications, while another one asked whether it was "too hard" for the robot to work. The administrative officer robot was appointed in August last year. It is said to be one of the first to be used in this manner in the Gumi city of the country. It was made by Bear Robotics, a Californian robot-waiter startup. At the Gumi City Council, the robot used to work from 9 AM to 6 PM and was provided its civil service officer card by the authorities.



While other robots usually stay on a particular floor, the one held by the Gumi City Council was capable enough to call an elevator and go to different floors on its own. As of now, the Gumi City Council is not planning to adopt a second robot officer, the news agency reported. Around the world, South Korea is among the few nations that use robots enthusiastically. The country is believed to have the highest robot density worldwide. In South Korea, there is one industrial robot for every 10 employees, as per the data shared by the International Federation of Robotics.



Source: <https://www.cnbctv18.com/technology/robot-commits-suicide-in-south-korea-due-to-excessive-workload-19438803.htm>

Department of Public Libraries Government of Karnataka appoints Commissioner

Department of Public Libraries Government of Karnataka appoints Commissioner as the apex officer over Director of Public Libraries. A senior IAS officer will look after the Department of Public Libraries now. This is done without making an amendment to the existing Karnataka Public Library Act 1965.

For more visit: <http://dhunt.in/Vm1ic>

Changes in access to legal information

Please read the news item published in Times of India on 16 Aug 2024. The changes in access to legal information. Earlier lawyers use to search in Databases. Now AI is going to play key role in access to information. Lexiogis.ai is going to play key role in settling the court cases as the relevant information is going to be accessed in seconds/minutes.

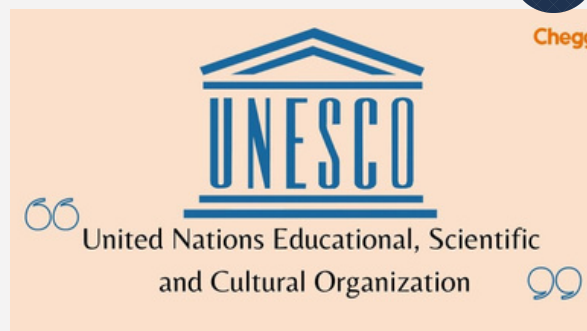
Has your paper been used to train an AI model? Almost certainly
Pls visit: <https://www.nature.com/articles/d41586-024-02599-9>



UNESCO CALLING FOR INPUTS TO DRAFT PRINCIPLES FOR OPEN SCIENCE MONITORING.

As part of the ongoing efforts to advance open science monitoring in alignment with the 2021 UNESCO Recommendation on Open Science, UNESCO is calling for inputs and comments from all the regions and interested stakeholders on the Draft Principles for Open Science Monitoring. Deadline for inputs: 30 November 2024

More at: <https://www.unesco.org/en/articles/call-inputs-global-consultation-draft-principles-open-science-monitoring>



IFLA Awarded Charity Status



The International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA) has been awarded charity status (ANBI status, Cultural ANBI) by the Dutch Tax and Customs Administration. ANBI stands for Algemeen nut beogende instelling in Dutch, or “Public Benefit Organisation” in English. An ANBI is an institution that serves the general interest of society. Attaining charity status will make it easier for IFLA to partner with other organisations, and contribute to our wider efforts to ensure financial sustainability. To learn more, one can review our briefing on our application for ANBI status. Source: <https://www.ifla.org/news/ifla-attains-charity-status/>

AFLI awarded contact from IFLA

The Arab Federation for Libraries and Information (AFLI) has been awarded the contract from IFLA to review leadership programs worldwide. This project aims to delve into existing schemes within the library field and beyond, developing a comprehensive typology that examines their formats and goals. The ultimate goal is to share insights on their impact and create an open access report that will guide future international leadership initiatives, benefiting national organizations and beyond.

To read more please visit:

<https://www.ifla.org/news/building-for-the-future-upcoming-research-publications/>

Kumadavalli village in Andhra Pradesh follows Library Dowry



There is a village in Andhra Pradesh which follows **LIBRARY DOWRY**. The Village Public Library in Kumudavalli, West Godavari, Andhra Pradesh, exemplifies the transformative power of education. In this 100% literate village, residents support the library through unique practices such as donating during weddings (“library dowry”). Situated 3 km from Bhimavaram city, Kumudavalli is home to the historic Sri Veeresalingam Kavi Samajam Library, founded in 1897 by Kandukuri Veeresalingam Panthulu. Originally starting with 50 books, it now holds over 17,000 volumes. The library is highly esteemed, with villagers treating it as a sacred space. Over its 127-year history, it has played a key role in the freedom movement and continues to champion literacy, women’s education, and social reforms.

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American Library Association’s first in-person event during the United Nations General Assembly

Leaders and experts in government, academic, public and school libraries will converge to present the American Library Association’s first in-person event during the United Nations General Assembly. These experts will discuss how libraries are aligned with the goals of the Global Digital Compact from the United Nations. “Libraries Powering the United Nations Digital Compact” is presented by the American Library Association International Relations Committee United Nations Sustainable Development Goals Subcommittee. The program will take place at New York Public Library on September 21. The Global Digital Compact is an inclusive global framework to overcome digital, data, and innovation divides. Libraries have an opportunity to join a global effort that will benefit local communities. Speakers in the program include Loida Garcia-Febo, ALA Past President; Dr. Brandy McNeil, President-Elect of the Public Library Association; Shauntee Burns-Simpson, Past President of the Black Caucus ALA; Robin Kear, member of the ALA UN SDG Subcommittee, Bill Goldband, Vice President of Information Technology and Development, Queens Public Library; Melissa Jacobs, Director Library Services, NYC Department of Education; Karl Redmond, Permanent Mission of Ireland to the United Nations; and Rajendra Prasad Pandey, General Secretary Nepal Community Library Association (National Library Association).

The purpose of the subcommittee is to collaborate with ALA divisions, round tables, committees and membership, and U.S. library associations in the implementation of the multi-year strategic plan developed by the ALA UN 2030 SDG Task Force to increase participation by libraries in efforts to achieve the goals to overcome the digital, data, and innovation divides.

Link: <https://www.ala.org/news/2024/09/american-library-association-present-united-nations-program>

Read- a – thon at Government schools in Karnataka

Department of Education, Government of Karnataka is organizing a 21 days Read-a-thon programme in 47000 Government primary schools in the state to promote reading habits among school children of 1st to 7th standard students. A circular has been issued in this regard by the Commissioner with detailed guidelines for the activities to be conducted for the students. For more read Samyukta Karnataka Bengaluru Edition September 09, 2024 page 7

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In the suit, filed by the Lief Cabraser law firm and co-counsel at Justice Catalyst Law, the plaintiffs claim the defendants engaged in a three-part "scheme" to: Lower labor costs by agreeing not to compensate scholars for performing their peer review services; Reduce competition by requiring scholars to submit their manuscripts to only one journal at a time; and Control access to scientific information by prohibiting scholars from freely sharing their research while their manuscripts are under peer review. The suit, filed by the Lief Cabraser law firm and co-counsel at Justice Catalyst Law, Dean Harvey, co-counsel for the plaintiff, said Thursday that for-profit academic journals have exploited scholars and taxpayers by colluding. The lawsuit, filed in federal district court in New York, asks for treble damages and injunctive relief, including an order to require the publishers to dissolve the challenged unlawful agreements.

Clarivate Report Unveils the Transformative Role of Artificial Intelligence on Shaping the Future of the Library

Clarivate Plc (NYSE:CLVT), a leading global provider of transformative intelligence, has launched its first Pulse of the Library™ report. The report reveals that libraries are in the early days of Artificial Intelligence (AI) implementation. Librarians are considering applications of AI that support the library mission, particularly in enhancing content discovery and increasing efficiency for their teams. However, there are notable concerns, including a lack of AI expertise and tight budgets. The report combines feedback from a survey of more than 1,500 librarians from across the world with qualitative interviews, covering academic, national and public libraries. In addition to the downloadable report, the accompanying microsite's dynamic and interactive data visualizations enable rapid comparative analyses according to regions and library types.

More at: <https://clarivate.com/news/clarivate-report-unveils-the-transformative-role-of-artificial-intelligence-on-shaping-the-future-of-the-library/>

Elected

Prof Devika P Madalli

Prof Devika P Madalli Director INFLIBNET is elected as a member of the Scientific Committee of the World Data System of the International Science Council.

Awards

Prof. Shilpi Verma

Prof. Shilpi Verma received Women Empowerment Award 2024 for her outstanding contribution in the field of women empowerment by Social Development Federation Agra on 8th September 2024 in a programme at Youth Auditorium, Sanjay Place Agra. The Chief Guest of the function was Dr Rajesh Prakash Regional Director, Higher Education Agra Zone.



K Vijay Kumar

K. Vijay Kumar, Librarian of St. Martin's Engineering College, Secunderabad, Telangana, was awarded the National Best Librarian Award in 2024. This honour was presented by the President of Madras Library Association, Prof. Dr. K. Nithyanandam, on the occasion of the 132nd Birth Anniversary celebration of Padmashree Dr. S.R.Ranganathan, held at Anna Centenary library, Chennai, on 11-08-2024.



Dr. Sada Bihari Sahu

Dr. Sada Bihari Sahu, Assistant General Manager (Library), SIDBI, Mumbai have been awarded with 'SLA Asia Information Professional Award 2024 ' by SLA Asia in the Silver Jubilee (25 years) of Asia Community and 115th years of SLA at SLA 2024 conference at University of Rhodes Island, Rhodes Island USA on July 13, 2024. Dr. Sahu happened to be the 'Professional Grant Award 2018' by SLA in 2018.

Ph D Awarded

Naveen Satpal Mehla

Naveen Satpal Mehla has been awarded Ph D from Kurukshetra University, Kurukshetra for the thesis entitled "Preservation of Library Materials in University Libraries of North India : A Study" submitted under the guidance of Dr Manoj Kumar Joshi



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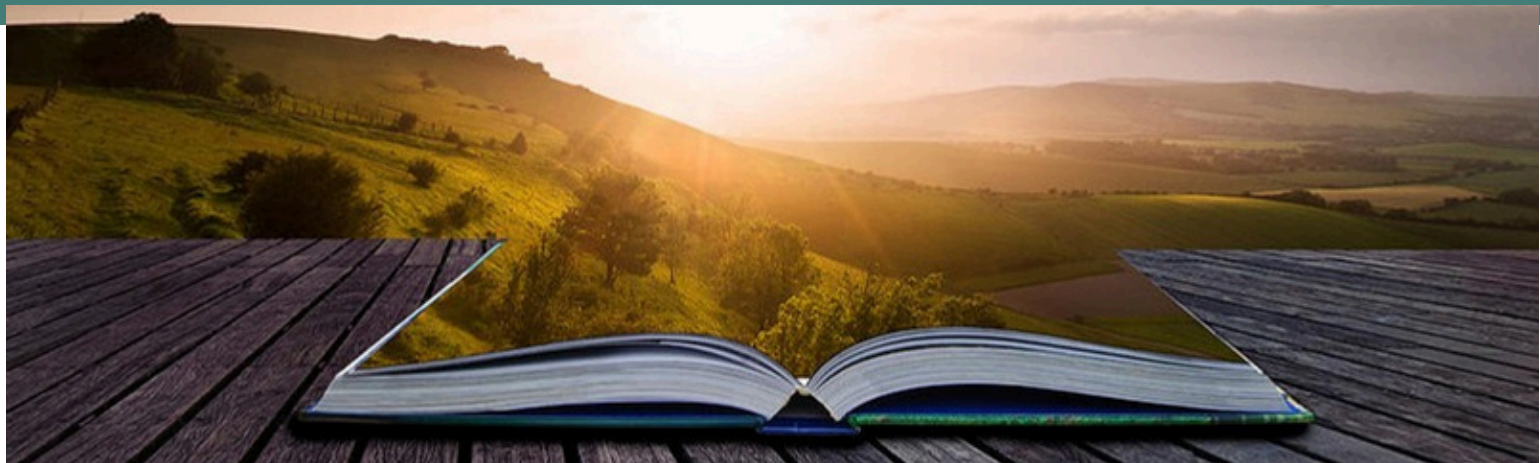
Smt. Nirmala C Librarian (Selection Grade), Government First Grade College, HSR Layout Bengaluru has been awarded Ph D from Karnataka State Akkamahadevi Women University, Vijayapura for her thesis entitled "Preservation and conservation of manuscripts in the libraries of Karnataka: A study" submitted under the guidance of Prof P G Tadasad, Senior Professor and Chairman, Department of Library and Information Science, Karnataka State Akkamahadevi Women University, Vijayapura



Obituary

Shri Ramachandra Kagalagomb

Shri Ramachandra Kagalagomb, Librarian at GSS Institute of Engineering & Technology for Women in Mysuru passed away on 4th June at the age of 49 after a brief illness.



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