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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.

1st May

# HAPPY LABOUR DAY

WORKERS THE STRENGTH OF THE NATION

# Boost your children's reading habit

**R.S.Venkat Raj**  
**Former Ass. Director Prasaranga,**  
**Visweswarayya Technological University,**  
**Bengaluru**

“Many things we need can wait. The child cannot. Now is the time his bones are formed, his mind developed. To him we cannot say tomorrow, his name is today”.

-Gabriela Mistral  
 (Chilean Noble Laureate in literature)

Reading is an intellectual action which is possible only to human beings. which is a divine gift. The reading habit is best formed at a young impressionable age in home/school. Once the child has been taught to read and develop a love for books, he can explore for himself the wealth of human experience and knowledge.

Reading is a fundamental skill that unlocks a world of knowledge, imagination, and personal growth. Instilling a love of reading in children from a young age sets them on a path of lifelong learning and discovery. However, in a world filled with distractions, nurturing strong reading habits can be a challenge. We have to explore various strategies that parents, caregivers, and educators, librarians can employ to cultivate a passion for reading in children.

One of the most effective methods for fostering a love of reading is to make it a daily routine. Reading aloud to children from infancy exposes them to the rhythm and flow of language, sparking their curiosity and imagination. As children grow older, carve out designated reading time each day, whether it's before bed or during quiet afternoons. This routine establishes reading as a valued activity and creates a positive association with books.

From the office to home, or even the living room to the bedroom, make sure you're equipped with reading material for yourself and your child. You never know when you'll have some downtime. Show the kids that reading is a constructive fun!

Technology is slowly taking a steady control over individual lives, the reading habit is fast vanishing into thin air. Sadly, the reading habit is on the decline among children as well. But why blame it on the children for all this wean-off-from-reading culture? It is the Parents/Teachers/Librarians who are responsible for this.

Parents are so psyched about the future of their children that most of the times it is they who discourage

their wards from reading any other book than their textbooks. But they fail to understand that for an all-round development of an individual, reading habit is essential.

Your child walks like you, talks like you, absorb everything you do. So set the right example when it comes to reading. If you want your child to be a good reader, be one yourself! Surround yourself with reading material!

Whenever you're going to the library or bookstore, let your child come along. Even if you aren't looking for anything in particular, practice the art of book browsing and admiring. Make an event out of it and kids will learn to be exhilarated by the sight of books. Reading shouldn't be confined to the pages of traditional books. Integrate reading into everyday life by encouraging children to read signs, menus, and even cereal boxes. Engage them in conversations about what they're reading, asking open-ended questions and discussing the stories together. This not only strengthens their comprehension skills but also creates a shared experience that deepens their connection to the written word.

Empowering children by letting them choose their own reading material is crucial. While offering guidance, avoid imposing your own preferences. Explore bookstores or libraries together, allowing them to be captivated by vibrant illustrations, intriguing titles, or genres that align with their hobbies. This sense of ownership fosters a sense of agency and fuels their intrinsic motivation to read.

Remember, some children may learn and absorb information more effectively through visual or auditory means. Explore audiobooks and graphic novels as alternative formats. Educational apps and games can also supplement traditional reading, making learning interactive and engaging.

Cultivate a culture of celebration around reading. Acknowledge their reading milestones, no matter how small. Celebrate the completion of a book or reward them for reaching personal reading goals. This positive reinforcement strengthens the association between reading and accomplishment, motivating them to continue their literary journey.

Libraries are another treasure trove waiting to be explored. Frequent trips to the library expose children to a vast array of genres and topics, igniting their curiosity and allowing them to discover their interests. Librarians are also valuable resources, offering personalized recommendations and fostering a sense of community around reading.

Fostering a love of reading in children requires a multifaceted approach. By establishing routines, leading by example, creating inviting spaces, and offering choices, we can empower children to embark on a lifelong adventure with the written word. As

they navigate the vast world of literature, they will not only develop their intellectual abilities but also cultivate a love of learning that will enrich their lives for years to come. worldwide.

## Bangalorean arrested for stealing rare, century old book from Nilagiri library

**Source: The Hindu, December 22, 2023 02:47 pm | updated 02:47 pm IST – Udhagamsndalam**

Police said the library in Udhagamandalam had found the book missing soon after the literature fest in October; the thief was traced when he attempted to sell the 116-year-old book on Instagram. A 34-year-old Bangalore resident was arrested for stealing a 116-year-old book from the 160-year-old Nilgiri Library in Udhagamandalam.

Police officials identified the accused as Katitra Debnath, 34, a resident of Koramangala in Bangalore. According to officials, office-bearers at the library were taking stock of books, following the completion of the Ooty Literature Fest in October, when they realized that the century-old book, *The Pirates of Malabar and An Englishwoman in India Two Hundred Years Ago*, by Colonel John Biddulph,

was missing from the library.

One of the office-bearers of the library registered a complaint with the Nilgiris district police who began investigations. A few weeks later, the police were tipped-off about the sale of the book through Instagram.

They tracked down the mobile phone user's details using resources from the Cyber Crime Cell and traced the mobile phone number to Debnath, who was arrested and brought to the Nilgiris where he was remanded to judicial custody.

Police officials said that Debnath earned a living by stealing rare books from across India and selling them to collectors. During his arrest, a tranche of rare books from across India were seized from his home. They said that he was hoping to sell the book stolen from the library for upwards of ₹10,000.

## Events organized

### Workshop on Career Information

The Department of Library and Information Science, Karnataka State Akkamahadevi Women University, Vijayapura has organized a one-day Workshop on Career Information to commemorate the International Women's Day celebrations 2024 on 4th March 2024 in joint collaboration with Ahalyabai Post Graduate Centre for Women Studies Re3search & Extension Center and Placement centre. Honorable Vice Chancellor Prof B K Tulasimala inaugurated the workshop. In her inaugural address she emphasized that the career seekers need to be supported with career information which will help them to shape their careers. Chief guest Shri C B Kumbar District Skill Development Officer, Vijayapura District elaborated on the activities of the District Skill Development Office and its role in disseminating career-oriented information. Prof P G Tadasad Chairman of the Department, Prof T Shantadevi Professor and Dean Faculty of Social Sciences, Prof Gavisiddappa A Professor of LIS and Prof Laxmidevi Y Chairperson Ahalyabai Post Graduate Centre for Women Studies Re3search & Extension Center, Dr Babu Lamani

Coordinator Placement Center were present on the occasion.

Prof Gavisiddappa A Professor of LIS and Librarian (I/C) spoke on "Libraries as Career Information Dissemination Agencies during first session which was Chaired by Prof Gangadhar Sonar, Professor of Social Work and Spl. Officer DPAR. In the second session chaired by Prof Renuka Meti, Professor of Food Processing and Nutrition & Deputy director IQAC, Dr Chandrashekhhar Mathapathi, Coordinator Industry – Society linkage discussed the Expectations of Industries. Dr Babu Lamani coordinator Placement Center explained the career opportunities and pre-placement preparations in the third session chaired by Prof G G Rajput Professor of Computer science.

Prof Onkar Kakade, Senior Professor and Chairman Department of journalism and Mass Communication delivered the valedictory address, He highlighted the role of library, media (print and electronic) and threw light on social media. He advised the career seekers to explore the benefits from these sources.

Shri S S Somanal, Registrar the Chief Guest on the occasion asked the career seekers to visit websites of State Government and Central Government recruiting agencies to get the optimum benefits. Prof

T Shantadevi Professor of LIS and dean Faculty of Social Sciences delivered the Presidential remarks. 184 undergraduate and post graduate students got benefit from the workshop.



## National Workshop on Scholarly Writing and Research Ethics



National Workshop on Scholarly Writing and Research Ethics jointly organized by Library and Information Center and Dept. of Library and Information Science, University College of Arts, Tumkur University, Tumakuru was held on 28.03.2024. It was inaugurated by Prof. M. Venkateshwaralu. Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Tumkur University, Tumkur. Prof. B. Kariyanna, Principal, UCA, Resource person Prof. Sampath Kumar B T. Chairman, DOSR in LIS, TUT and Organizing Secretary Dr. Sumadevi S were presented.

## Talk on "NLIST (INFLIBNET) Importance, Role of e-resources and Support of Innovation

Talk on "NLIST (INFLIBNET) Importance, Role of e-resources and Support of Innovation on 25.03.2024 was arranged and resource person was Dr. Praveen Hulloli Librarian & HOD, KLS Gogte College of Commerce, Belagavi. Over all 36 participants had registered from all the departments. Dr. Annadane-sha B A, Administrative Officer, Mr. Narayana Subramani, Finance Officer chaired the session with resource person.

The Resource person started the session with brief history and importance about INFLIBNET. He mentioned on precise and Boolean search in NLIST and demonstrated practically to faculty who had registered for the session. He also demonstrated on Mendelly software for searching research articles, review of book, Literature etc. He also stressed on Scientometrics and Scientific writing in Research and Innovation. Later Dr. Sushil Kumar Middha, Research Co-ordinator, mLAC chaired as resource person and gave a talk on "Understanding Scopus".

He mentioned the difference between database and Scopus. He briefed on mJACS which is the in-house journal of mLAC and explained how to publish in the journal and also mentioned the DOI and Crossreff as a reference tool in the journal.



## Lecture on “Open Data Activities and Note of Librarians”

The Department of Library and Information Science at the University of Jammu, under the headship of Prof. Sangita Gupta, organized a highly informative and insightful lecture on “Open Data Activities and Note of Librarians” on 8th April 2024. The lecture was delivered by Prof. Manoj Kumar Joshi, Head of the Department of Library and Information Science at the University of Kurukshetra. Prof. Joshi, a renowned expert in the domain, shared his expertise and knowledge on the growing importance of open data activities and their implications for librarians. During the lecture, Prof. Joshi elaborated on various aspects of open data, including its definition, significance, and relevance in modern librarianship. The



lecture was attended by the faculty members (Dr. Pramod Kumar Singh, Dr Bindu Sharma, Mr. Ashwin Kumar Kushwaha, Dr Reenu Arti), Scholars, and students.

## National Seminar on Vision of Library Services in Digital India in the backdrop of NEP 2020



“Vision of Library Services in Digital India in the backdrop of NEP 2020” - The Two day National Seminar was organized by the Department of Library and Information Science, Vidyasagar University during 12-13 March, 2023 succeed to - attract its target audience, - enrich the august gathering by eminent speakers, - encourage the budding professionals to explore the NEP 2020 with positivity.



## Forthcoming events

### National Seminar on “Leveraging ICT and Digital Resources for Library and Information Science Professionals

Kirloskar Institute of Management-Library, is organizing One-Day National Seminar on “Leveraging ICT and Digital Resources for Library and Information Science Professionals,” in collaboration with the Indian Library Association (ILA), New Delhi on 24th May 2024. This seminar aims to bring together experts, professionals, and enthusiasts from the library sector to engage in discussions, share insights, and foster collaboration towards addressing the challenges and opportunities in ICT and digital resources. Research papers on the theme of “ICT and Digital resources” are invited. For more information contact Dr. Danappa Pattar, Chief Librarian, Mobile: 9900238798

### National Conference “Digital Revolution: moving towards developing smart libraries (NCDR-2024)”

The department of PG studies and research in Library and Information Science, Kuvempu University is organising Two days National Conference on 7-8 June 2024. The conference theme is “Digital Revolution: moving towards developing smart libraries (NCDR-2024)” on the auspicious eve of superannuation of Prof. B. S. Biradar, Senior Professor and Honourable Vice Chancellor, Bidar University, Bidar. Research article’s are invited from the LIS professionals before 30th of April 2024 For more information visit <http://www.kuncdr.in>

## National conference on the topic 'Academic Publishing, Libraries, and Artificial Intelligence'

MILAN, the Mysore University Information and Library Science Alumni Network, in association with the Department Studies in Library and Information Science, University of Mysore, Mysuru has announced Two-day National conference on the topic 'Academic Publishing, Libraries, and Artificial Intelligence' on 21 -22 June 2024. 30th April 2024 is the last date for submission of papers.

Conference Highlights are: Keynote Addresses by reputed speakers from the AI Industry; Panel Discussions highlighting AI, Ethics, and LIS Education; Networking Opportunities with industry experts, peers, and friends; Paper getting published in conference volume; Selected quality papers getting published in one of the issues of the Journal of Information and Knowledge by the SRELS (Sarada Ranganathan Endowment for Library Science) and three Best paper awards

## International Conference on Reimagining Smart Libraries Emerging Technologies, Innovation and Knowledge Creation

The Haryana Library Association in collaboration with IILM University, Gurugram is organizing two-day International Conference on Reimagining Smart Libraries Emerging Technologies, Innovation and Knowledge Creation on May 10-11, 2024. A galaxy of intellectuals, academicians, teachers, scholars and students will participate in the conference. Research articles are invited from LIS professionals on AI and related issues. For more details and guidelines for articles, one may please visit the conference website at <http://iilm.edu.in/icrsl-2024/> or contact at [icrsl@iilm.edu](mailto:icrsl@iilm.edu) for any further information about the conference.

## I-LISS 2024 International Conference

Two-day 8th I-LISS International Conference on 'Exploring Information Services and Library Technologies for the Next Generation (I-LISS 2024), from 19th to 20th July 2024 in hybrid mode is being organized by the University Central Library, SRMIST, Kattankulathur Campus, Tamil Nadu, India. This conference aims to bring researchers, practising librarians, academicians, and LIS students from across the globe to a common platform to share their research ideas that would pave the way to attain solutions to various real-time problems.

### Important Dates

- Submission of Extended Abstracts (About 1000 words): 15 May 2024
- Notification of acceptance: 30 May 2024 Submissions of full papers and posters: 15 June 2024

Further information and details pls. visit: \* <https://srmiliss2024.srmist.edu.in/>

## Five days training program on Open Source Library Automation software (Koha and DSpace)

Five days training program on Open Source Library Automation software (Koha and DSpace) from 3-7 June 2024 is organized by Central University, IIT Bhubaneswar. Library and IT professionals, Students of LIS, Research Scholars, LIS and Computer Science

professionals can attend this training programme. Registration is limited to 30 participants only on First-Come-First-Serve basis. Registration fee of 7000 includes Workshop Kit, Lunch, Dinner and high tea during the sessions.

For more information contact: Dr. Bibhu Bhusan Sahoo, Deputy Librarian, Central Library Indian Institute of Technology Bhubaneswar Email.: [bibhusahoo@iitbbs.ac.in](mailto:bibhusahoo@iitbbs.ac.in);

### Five Days Training Program

Five days training program on "Open Source Library Management Software (Koha & DSpace)" From 3rd to 7th June 2024 at IIT, Bhubaneswar : Last Date 07/06/24 <https://bibliophilevirtuallibrary.com/2024/04/03/five-days-training-program-on-open-source-library-management-software-koha-dspace-from-3rd-to-7th-june-2024-at-iit-bhubaneswar-last-date-07-06-24/>

## AIKM2024

To commemorate the centenary year of Dr. Ranganathan entering the library profession, the Sarada Ranganathan Endowment in association with the India International Centre is organizing an international summit on AI and Knowledge Management to be held at the India International Centre, New Delhi from 12th to 14th August 2024. Details of the conference, the pre-conference tutorials and some of the key speakers can be found on the conference website ([aikm2024.org](http://aikm2024.org)). The organizers welcome information professionals to register and attend the conference and pre-conference tutorials.

The organizers also welcome and invite institutions and organizations to join as academic / corporate partners and support the event.

## 2024 MCULTP Mini - Conference

Registration is now open for the upcoming Library Services to Multicultural Population Section (MCULTP) 2024 Mini-Conference. The conference's theme is "Libraries New Trends in Supporting Multiculturalism and Multilingualism". The conference explores how libraries and librarians support Multiculturalism and Multilingualism in their communities. The mini-conference is intended for diverse LIS professionals including academic, public, school, and special librarians. The event will be free and hosted on Zoom, Wednesday, 29 May 2024, 8:00 am -1:00 pm Eastern Standard Time. Check out our schedule of panels, presentations, and lightning talks.

More details at: <https://www.ifla.org/events/registration-is-now-open-for-the-2024-iflamcultp-mini-conference/>

Systematic Review Success: An Introductory Workshop for Librarians & Information Professionals

IFLA Social Sciences Libraries' webinar scheduled on June 5, Tuesday, 10 am-11:30 am EST. Register here: <https://tinyurl.com/IFLASocSciWebinar1>

For more information about this program and speakers, please see this <https://www.ifla.org/events/systematic-review-success-an-introductory-workshop/>. This webinar is co-sponsored by the American Library Association's Library Research Round Table (LRRT). Please reach out if you have any questions: [iflasocsci@gmail.com](mailto:iflasocsci@gmail.com).

## Innovative Practices

### IIHT – KRC – New Building

Indian Institute of Technology Hyderabad - opening of its new Knowledge Resource Centre (KRC) Library - the heart of academic and intellectual pursuits on its campus in a ceremony graced by esteemed dignitaries, including Prof. B. S. Murty, Director of IIT Hyderabad, Prof. Bharat Bhooshan Panigrahi, Dean (Academics), Prof. Suriya S. Prakash, Dean (Planning), Dr. Aalok D Khandekar, Chair-Library, and Dr. Bhojaraju Gunjal, Chief Library Officer, the KRC to serve the IITH fraternity. Dr. Yoshiyuki Kawazoe, Associate Professor of the University of Tokyo, provided architectural expertise.

Key highlights of the IITH KRC include:

- Building Area: Spread across 9326 square meters
- Building Capacity: With a capacity to accommodate 1600 people.
- Facilities: The KRC boasts state-of-the-art building, including a cafeteria, spacious reading areas, informal reading spaces, island seating, recording studio room, faculty discussion room, research commons room (Lab), learning commons room (Lab), group discussion rooms, Conference room, Meeting Room, KRC office and an AV room etc.



## Campus Premise Promotion

To attract energetic, motivated, and passionate young minds who wanted to make their career in the Library and Information Science field, the department initiated to organize an awareness program about the subject, course structure, job opportunities, and research opportunities among different colleges of Mizoram state. In this continuation, the department started this program from Puchhunga University Collage - the oldest and biggest college of Mizoram state on 2nd April 2024 along with a team of 8 members comprising faculties, guest faculties, scholars and department alumni under the leadership of Dr. Lallngaizuali and Dr. Manendra Kumar Singh, Assistant Professors, DLIS MZU. In this program, one stall was set up near the main gate

of the college, posters, placards and flyers were displayed on library and department notice boards, and an interactive session with final semester students was conducted along with images and short videos. The students show a lot of interest in this interactive program. I would like to thank Prof. H. Lalthanzara, Principal, Puchhunga University Collage for his kind permission, and administrative and logistic support and Dr. Lalthanmawii Sailo, Librarian, PUC for her hearty welcome to our team and helped for the success of this program. Finally, I thank all the department team members for their innovative ideas, perfect planning, hard work, and excellent teamwork in the success of this innovative program. Mizoram University



## Promoting Open Access Movement: NITC Signs Transformative Agreement with Publishers

National Institute of Technology Calicut (NITC) is set to advance in the open access movement to promote academic research. The institute has entered into transformative agreements with leading academic publishers, marking a pivotal moment in the promotion of open-access principles. NITC has solidified transformative agreements with renowned publishers, including Wiley, the Institute of Physics (IOP), the Royal Society of Chemistry (RSC), and the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE). NITC is the first institute among the National Institutes of Technology (NITs) to enter into such agreements with Wiley, IOP, RSC publishers, and the initiative underscores its leadership in promoting open access within the academic community.

The transition from traditional subscription models

to the Read and Publish model represents a paradigm shift in scholarly publishing at NITC, said Prof. Prasad Krishna, Director of NIT Calicut, who envisioned the transition. This transition is sure to bring multifaceted benefits to the NITC community, enabling researchers to publish their work in open-access journals without incurring Article Processing Charges (APCs), he said adding that this initiative aligns with NITC's mission to foster knowledge dissemination and accessibility. The Library Team led by Dr. Arun F. Adrakatti, In-charge Librarian and Library Advisory Committee, materialized the transformative concept with extensive groundwork and interaction with publishers. Their vision and commitment have played a pivotal role in driving forward NITC's open access initiative.



## Best Library Users for 2023-2024 – JAIN (Deemed to be University)

The Learning Resource Centre, JAIN (Deemed-to-be University), Bangalore presented the annual best library user award for nine students of the School of Commerce, the School of Computer Science and IT and the School of Humanities and Social Sciences during the 'Achiever's Awards' ceremony held on March 28, 2024, at the JAIN Knowledge Campus, Jayanagar. This award was given to students who showed an exceptional dedication to maintaining library discipline and using the learning resources. The following criteria were used to select the students for the Best Library User Award:

- E- login and productive library hours
- Circulation statistics
- Using the library's electronic resources



- Using the online public access catalogue
- Observing the norms and regulations of the library
- Using the other resources of the library

## Sapatgram College Girls Hostel Unveils a Mini Library and Hosts Pre-Bihu Celebration



The idea of installing a library in the hostel is undeniably commendable, a pivotal addition to the Women's Hostel at Sapatgram College. Kudos to Miss Zenifa Paveen for her wonderful idea. It was inaugurated recently and in conjunction with the inauguration of the mini library, the hostel organized a lively pre-Bihu celebration. Led by Ms. Jenifa Parbin, the festivities showcased the vibrant cultural heritage of Assam through traditional dance performances, musical renditions, and cultural presentations. The event served as a platform for fostering camaraderie and celebrating the diverse cultural tapestry within the hostel.

## Technology

### Libkey Nomad:

LibKey Nomad is a handy browser extension that takes the hassle out of research. With LibKey Nomad, you can access library-owned scholarly articles and ebooks with just a click, no matter where you find them online. Whether you're searching on Google Scholar, a random website, or even Wikipedia, LibKey Nomad works its magic in the background. It connects with your library to find the fastest way to the full text, bypassing paywalls.

Video courtesy: <https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=6umhqr5gGj4&feature=youtu.be>

### Lost at Sea no more:

Semantic Scholar Charts a Course Through Research with AI Imagine navigating a library filled with endless shelves of scientific papers. That's the reality for many researchers. Semantic Scholar cuts through the

chaos, acting as an AI-powered search engine that revolutionizes how we explore scientific literature.

Developed by the Allen Institute for Artificial Intelligence (AI2) in 2015, Semantic Scholar leverages the power of natural language processing and machine learning. This means it goes beyond just keywords, understanding the deeper meaning and connections within research papers. Unlike traditional search engines that return a mountain of irrelevant results, Semantic Scholar surfaces highly relevant articles tailored to your specific research needs.

### Here's what makes Semantic Scholar stand out:

Get a quick grasp of a paper's core message with Semantic Scholar's one-sentence summaries. These AI-generated summaries are lifesavers in today's information overload, allowing researchers to focus their valuable time. Semantic Scholar isn't just about finding papers; it's about understanding their significance. By analyzing citation networks, it reveals influential works and cutting-edge research, providing a holistic view of the scientific landscape.

Semantic Scholar champions open access by offering free access to millions of scholarly papers. This democratizes knowledge, empowering researchers everywhere.

Semantic Scholar is more than a search engine. It's an intelligent compass guiding researchers through the vast ocean of scientific literature. Fueled by AI innovation and the spirit of open access, it's a powerful tool for navigating the ever-expanding world of research.

Visit: <https://www.semanticscholar.org/>

## News you can use

### Promote safe, secure trustworthy AI use

UN General Assembly adopts a resolution on 21st march 2024 to promote safe, secure and trustworthy artificial intelligence systems for sustainable development.

Source:

<https://news.un.org/en/story/2024/03/1147831>

### CNRS has unsubscribed from the Scopus publications database

<https://www.cnrs.fr/en/update/cnrs-has-unsubscribed-scopus-publications-database>

### Cornell Open: A global open access portal

Please see <https://www.cornellpress.cornell.edu/cornell-open/>

### The Leiden ranking

Please visit <https://open.leidenranking.com/> for the New Leiden Ranking (based on OpenAlex, an open-access database).

“The Leiden Ranking provides indicators of scientific impact, collaboration, and open access publishing. Size matters when comparing universities: performance can be viewed from an absolute or a relative perspective (e.g., the \*number\* versus the \*percentage\* of highly cited publications). That is why size-dependent and size-independent indicators are

### Norwegian Minister Resigns (HT, New Delhi. April 13, 2024 )



consistently presented together in the Leiden Ranking. This highlights that both types of indicators need to be taken into account.”

### Developing a library strategic response to Artificial Intelligence

The IFLA AI SIG has just published a working document for discussion. The purpose of this document is to set out considerations relevant for libraries developing a strategic response to Artificial Intelligence. The text is organized around developing a set of questions that prompt reflection and action (section 4). It is hoped that the document can support local decision making about AI.

<https://www.ifla.org/developing-a-library-strategic-response-to-artificial-intelligence/>

## Success Story

My name is Sharath Sundar M and until recently, I served as a full-time PhD scholar at Panjab University, Chandigarh, with a Junior Research Fellowship (JRF) under Dr. Shiv Kumar. I am pleased to inform you that I have recently advanced in my career and started the role of a UGC grade Librarian at Malabar Christian College, Kozhikode, Kerala from August 2023 onwards.

The journey to this position has been both challenging and rewarding. While working as a JRF at Panjab University, Chandigarh, I had the privilege of being selected as a UGC Librarian at Malabar Christian College. Recognizing the unique opportunity

for professional growth and development, I made the decision to cancel my JRF and transition to the role of a UGC Librarian. Consequently, I adjusted my PhD commitment to part-time to accommodate the demands of my new role.

I am particularly proud to mention that during my academic journey, I had the honour of being awarded the Gold Medal at Central University Punjab, Bathinda, in the 2020 - 2022 batch. This achievement has been a testament to my dedication to academic excellence and research in Masters of Library and Information Science.

## Awards and Recognitions

### Shaik Meera

On the 5th Foundation Day of the Global Youth Peace Committee at Hans Raj College, University of Delhi, on March 16th Shaik Meera Librarian received the GYPC Excellence Community Builder Award 2024, for his contribution to the ANDHRA PRADESH and TELANGANA SCHOOL INNOVATIVE CHALLENGE PROGRAM under the MINISTRY OF EDUCATION'S INNOVATION CELL. In this program, volunteers from GIET School of Pharmacy worked as coordinators for 3 months, guiding Government teachers and students to submit innovative ideas.



### Dr. Ravi Kumar Chegoni

Dr. Ravi Kumar Chegoni, Asst Professor, Government City College(A), Nayapu Hyderabad received Parvathaneni Gangadhar Rao Award -2022 (for Telangana and Andhra Pradesh) Keerthi Purasakaram from Prof. Potti Sr Ramulu Telugu University, Hyderabad on March 25.03.2024.

### Parvakar Thakur

Certificate of Registration of design has been issued to PORTABLE DEVICE FOR LIBRARY BOOK MANAGEMENT by The Patent Office, Government of India.

## Books Released

1. Amita Kishor, Pustakalaya evam soochana vijñana ke saidhantika evam avadharanatmaka aayama, ekebhi publication khanda: 1 & 2, 2024, ISBN: 978-81-962089-5-0 (Vol.1), 978-81-962089-4-3 (Vol.2); Pg.: 466 p. (V.1) & 448 p. (V.2); MRP: 449 (V.1) & 449 (V.2)
2. Amita Kishor, vastunishtha pustakalaya evam soochana vijñanaha 7500+ bahuvalpiya prashnottara, ekebhi publication khanda: 1 & 2, 2024; ISBN: 978-81-962089-7-4 (Vol.1), 978-81-962089-6-7 (Vol.2), Pg.: 557 p. (V.1) & 543 p. (V.2); MRP: 549 (V.1) & 549 (V.2)
3. Nair Rema Devi Appukkuttan. Information Sources in Music' Book Enclave: Jaipur, 2023 ISBN: 978-93-92586-81-4 Price: INR 595 (\$7.15)

## PhD Awarded

Anuj Kumar Singh Assistant Professor-Library, Govt Girls Degree College DLW Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh has been awarded Ph.D. degree from DLIS, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi under the supervision of Prof. Bhaskar Mukherjee Sir on the topic "Use of Electronic Resources by the Faculty Members and Students enrolled in Degree Colleges Affiliated to State Universities of Purvanchal Region, Uttar Pradesh: A Case Study".

## Appointments

Dr Rajashekhar Kumbar has been appointed as University Librarian at Karnataka Folklore University, Gota-godi, Shiggaon in June 2023

Dr. J K Vijayakumar, Professor and Library Director at the American University of Antigua, West Indies is re-elected to the Board of Directors at the International Association of University Libraries (IATUL) for the second term representing the Americas region. Previously he represented the Middle East on the Board. He is a Life Member of ILA.

## Promotion

Dr. Niranjana Singh Librarian, Kendriya Hindi Sansthan, Agra (Ministry of Education, Govt. of India), has been placed in Academic Pay Level-14 under CAS 2018.

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1.	69th Annual ILA-Conference Proceedings-International Conference on Building the Future:Transforming Libraries for Sustainability through Capacity Building Chief Editors Dr.O.N.Chaubey & Dr.Pardeep Rai, Editors Dr.Dharam Kumar, Dr.Abhijeet Sinha & Mr.Sanjay Kumar Singh during 1-3 February 2024 Rs.3500,US \$175 (ISBN:978-81-956643-9-9)
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