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Dear Library 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 Aug to 25th Sept) with photographs and brief reports may kindly be sent to ilanewsletteredit or@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.

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CALL FOR NOMINATIONS OF

ILA AWARDS / FELLOWSHIPS

2026

Nominations are invited for the following ILA awards/fellowship

1. **ILA DR PSG KUMAR LIFE TIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD 2026:** The Award, instituted by Dr. P. S. G. Kumar Felicitation Committee, Amravati (Maharashtra), is for the professionals in the field of LIS in India. Age of the applicant should be 55 and above.

2. **ILA SM GANGULY BEST SCHOOL LIBRARY AWARD 2026:** The award is meant for the best school library in the country. The libraries of high/higher secondary schools are eligible if they fulfill the following criteria:
   a) The applicant school may be an institution recognised/aided or run by the state government;
   b) The library is administered by a full time librarian possessing at least a BLISc degree;
   c) The library must be located in a separate room of its own and provide at least lending services to all classes in regular and systematic manner;
   d) A school library shall not get the award twice within five years.

3. **ILA - KAULA BEST LIBRARIAN AWARD 2026:** The Award, instituted by Prof. P.N. Kaula Endowment for Library and Information Science, Guntur (AP), is for the professionals in the field of LIS in India. The Award carries a shawl, citation and memento.

4. **ILA - DR. L M PADHYA BEST UNIVERSITY LIBRARY AWARD 2026:** The Award instituted by Mrs. Kantaben L. Padhya in memory of her Late husband Dr. L. M. Padhya who had retired as University Librarian, from Smt. Hansa Mehta Library, Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda, Gujarat. The Award carries a shawl, citation and memento. Applications received for the award must fulfill the following conditions:
   a. Only a state/central Government University recognized by the UGC can apply for the award.
   b. The Applicant University must be a Member of AIU.
   c. The Applicant Library should be the Institutional member of ILA.

5. **ILA - GIDWANI-DESHPANDEY BEST ACADEMIC LIBRARIAN AWARD 2026:** The award, instituted by Prof. K. Navalani, former Professor and Head, Department of Library and Information Science, **Punjabi University**, Patiala is for the professional in the field of Academic Libraries in India. The award carries a Shawl, citation, and a memento.

6. **ILA - VENDANAIKEE FELLOWSHIP 2026:** The ILA-Vendanaikee Fellowship was instituted by Mrs. V. K. Sundaram, formerly Reader, DLIS, University of Delhi. The award is to be given to a candidate who has secured highest percent of marks in the qualifying examination on the basis of which the candidate has been admitted to the B. Lib. Sc. Course in the University of Delhi during the 2025-26 year. The award carries (Rs.1000/only or ILA Publication).

7. **ILA - DR. K. PADMA UMAPATHY AND K. S. UMAPATHY FELLOWSHIP IN LIBRARY & INFO. SCIENCE 2026:** Maximum Five Fellowships worth Rs.2000/- each are to be awarded annually out of the accrued interest on certain sum of deposit with ILA. The money has been donated by Dr. K. S. Umapathy, former Professor of Library and Information Science and Librarian of the Bangalore University. These Fellowships are given to the students doing **M. Lib&Isc** from a recognized university. At least three Fellowships will be awarded to the woman candidate provided they satisfy the following conditions:
   a. Students securing at least 60% of marks in qualifying examinations may apply for Fellowship.
   b. Students getting any other type of assistance from Government/University, etc. will not be eligible for the award of the Fellowship.
   c. Not more than one Fellowship would be awarded to any one student from an institution during one year.

Pl. Note:
Prescribed forms are available at
www.ilaindia.net

Detailed C.V. along with duly filled in applications should reach to ILA General Secretary, Indian Library Association, A-40-41, Flat No. 201, Ansal Building, Dr. Mukherjee Nagar, Delhi-110009.

Last Date: 15th November 2026

From the Desk of the Chief Editor,



Dear members

As we welcome the month of October 2026, the global information landscape stands at an unprecedented crossroads. The conversations ignited earlier this year during the 71st Annual International Conference of the Indian Library Association (ILA) in Agra continue to reverberate across our institutions. Centered around the theme of transforming library services through Artificial Intelligence (AI), user engagement, and community impact, our collective focus has shifted from merely observing technological disruption to actively steering it.

Libraries are no longer just repositories of print; they are the central nervous system of an increasingly complex digital society. The integration of advanced generative AI tools, predictive analytics, and automated curation has given us extraordinary capabilities to customize user engagement and streamline technical processing. Yet, this rapid technological acceleration forces us to re-examine our core mandate. As custodians of reliable information, library professionals are tasked with a vital dual responsibility: we must harness the operational power of smart technologies while fiercely safeguarding the ethical dimensions of data privacy, cognitive equity, and academic integrity.

This transformation demands a new paradigm of professional upskilling and infrastructure resilience. The modern librarian must act as both an information architect and an ethical compass—helping users separate algorithmic bias and synthetic misinformation from verified truth. Crucially, as we embrace this evolution, our physical spaces must remain inclusive hubs of empathy, continuous learning, and community gathering.

International Literacy Day (observed annually on September 8, marking its 60th anniversary in 2026 under the theme "Literacy for people, the planet and prosperity") serves as a global catalyst for public libraries, shifting them from quiet book repositories into active, community-driven literacy learning spaces. With over 739 million youth and adults globally still lacking basic literacy skills and millions of children missing minimum reading proficiencies, libraries use the day to lobby for stronger public funding, equitable resource allocation, and sustained community outreach programs.

In this issue of the ILA Newsletter, we share a vibrant mosaic of achievements, success stories, and specialized updates from LIS professionals across diverse regions and states. We invite you to explore the recent academic seminars, workshops, and milestones that highlight our community's resilience. Looking ahead, we strongly encourage our members to continuously update their professional profiles on the official Indian Library Association Platform to ensure a connected and unified network.

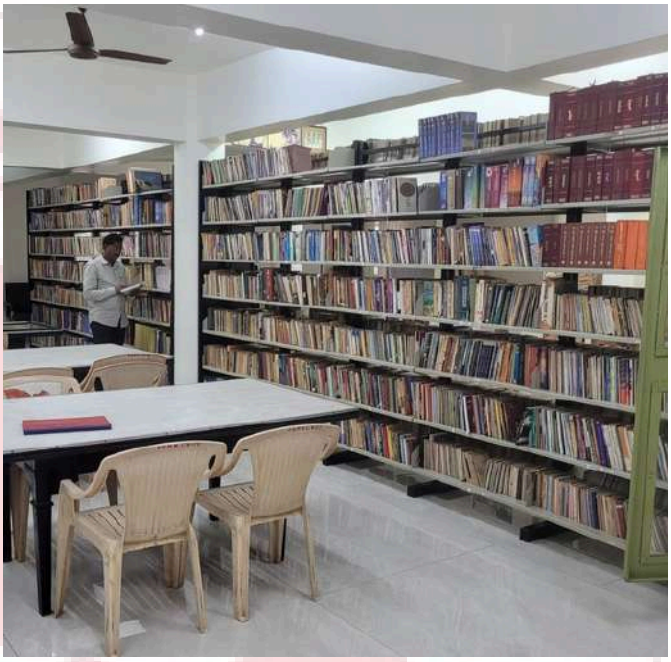
Let us move forward into the final quarter of 2026 with a shared determination to lead, innovate, and inspire.

-Prof P G Tadasad
Chief Editor, ILA Newsletter

Feature Article

Special Library Dedicated to Vachanas and Sharan Sahitya in Vijayapura





The Dr. P. G. Halakatti Research Centre Library, Vijayapura, is a special library dedicated to the preservation and dissemination of Vachanas, Sharan Sahitya and Basava Sahitya. Established in 2003 by the BLDE Association in the name of its founder-president, Rao Bahadur Dr. P. G. Halakatti, the library aims to preserve the Vachanas collected by Dr. P. G. Halakatti and make this valuable literary heritage accessible to the next generation and the general public. The library has a collection of more than 25,000 books housed in an independent building and functions from 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. It serves as an important resource for scholars, researchers, literature enthusiasts and readers interested in Vachana and Sharan literature.

The associated Dr. P. G. Halakatti Research Centre, described as a major initiative of Dr. M. B. Patil, has undertaken several important research, literary and cultural activities. One of its major projects was the reprinting of the comprehensive literature researched and published by Dr. P. G. Halakatti during his lifetime. The project resulted in the publication of 15 volumes comprising 12,500 pages, which were unveiled on 30 January 2008. The centre was recognised by Hampi Kannada University in 2005 for research activities. Since then, 18 research scholars have completed their Ph.D. studies, while 13 scholars are currently pursuing research under the guidance of Dr. M. S. Madabhavi and Dr. V. D. Aiholli. The centre has also undertaken publication and research activities covering Vachana literature, Sharan culture and the literary heritage of the region.

Another significant initiative was the translation of literature originally written in Persian and Dakhni Urdu during the Adil Shahi period into Kannada. The project, approved by the Department of Kannada and Culture, Government of Karnataka, resulted in the publication of 21 books in 18 volumes. The centre has also produced and supported numerous publications, research theses and literary works related to Basava and Sharan literature. Its activities have attracted scholars, writers, eminent citizens, political leaders and dignitaries from India and abroad. The special library also attracts visitors interested in the works of Vachana Pitamaha Rao Bahadur Dr. P. G. Halakatti and the region's rich literary heritage, making it an important centre for the preservation, research and dissemination of Kannada literary traditions.

Events Organised

MyLISA Organises One-Day Workshop on "AI for Library Services"



The Mysore Librarians and Information Scientists Association (MyLISA), in collaboration with the Department of Studies in Library and Information Science, University of Mysore, organised a one-day workshop on "AI for Library Services" on 8 August 2026 at Manasagangothri, Mysuru.

The workshop was inaugurated by Dr. E. C. Ningaraj Gowda, President, MyLISA, who highlighted the need for libraries to adopt Artificial Intelligence to provide faster, easier and more efficient services. Dr. N. S. Harinarayana, Senior Professor and Chairman, Department of Studies in Library and Information Science, University of Mysore, also addressed the gathering.

Technical sessions by Dr. Appasaheb Naikal, Librarian, IIM Kozhikode, and Dr. Sunil M. V. provided practical insights into AI applications in subject identification, keyword selection, classification, metadata preparation, information retrieval, reference services and research support. The workshop also demonstrated Generative AI applications, including AI-assisted DDC classification, translation, chatbots, automated reminders, digital preservation and research support, along with tools such as Research Rabbit, Litmaps, SciSpace, Consensus and Perplexity. Participants were also sensitised to AI hallucinations, effective prompting, verification of AI-generated information, and ethical and responsible use of AI.

National Librarians Day Celebrated at Smt. Veeramma Gangasiri Women's College, Kalaburagi



National Librarians Day was celebrated at Smt. Veeramma Gangasiri Women's College. Principal Dr. Rajendra Konda paid tribute to Dr. S. R. Ranganathan and encouraged students to make greater use of the library and develop their knowledge through reading.

He also highlighted the potential of Artificial Intelligence to address the information needs of library users and emphasised the importance of reading journals and publishing research articles.

Librarian Sharanu S. Mustalli highlighted the growing need for advanced content editing skills for academic writing and publication. Teaching and non-teaching staff and students of the college participated in the programme.

134th National Librarians Day Celebrated at Government Degree College, Razole



Government Degree College, Razole, Andhra Pradesh, celebrated the 134th National Librarians Day on 12 August 2026 with the participation of students and staff. The programme commemorated the birth anniversary of Dr. S. R. Ranganathan, the Father of Library Science in India, and focused on promoting reading habits and awareness about the importance of libraries.

Principal Dr. P. Saibabu, Vice-Principal Sri Nalli Raju and IQAC Coordinator Sri K. Gopala Krishna addressed the gathering and encouraged students to make regular use of the college library and its resources.

A Reading Awareness Rally was organised from the college premises to Razole Main Centre, with students and staff carrying placards and raising slogans promoting reading and library use. The programme was coordinated by Sri K. Jagadeesh, Librarian, with the support of Sri M. Adinarayana Murthi, Library Coordinator, and the College Library team. The initiative highlighted the importance of reading, libraries and lifelong learning among students and the local community.

National Librarians Day Celebrated at Vikrama Simhapuri University

The 134th National Librarians' Day was celebrated at the Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Central Library, Vikrama Simhapuri University, with the participation of students and staff. The programme highlighted the importance of developing reading habits among students and the role of libraries in supporting academic learning, research, knowledge development and lifelong learning.

Participants were introduced to various library resources and services, including print books, journals, e-resources, e-books, e-journals, OPAC, online databases, plagiarism checking services and remote access facilities. Students and staff were encouraged to make effective use of these resources for their academic, research and professional development.

Book Talk Programme Organised at KLE Society's G. H. College, Haveri



The Department of Library, KLE Society's G. H. College, Haveri, organised a Book Talk Programme on 12 August 2026 in the College Library as part of the celebration of Librarians' Day, commemorating the birth anniversary of Dr. S. R. Ranganathan, the Father of Library Science in India. The programme aimed to promote reading habits, communication skills, confidence, critical thinking and knowledge sharing among students. A total of 32 students participated and presented their views, key ideas and learning experiences from the books they had read.

Institute Research and Innovation Day 2026 Celebrated at BLDEA's V. P. Dr. P. G. Halakatti College



BLDEA's V. P. Dr. P. G. Halakatti College of Engineering and Technology, Vijayapura, celebrated Institute Research and Innovation Day 2026 on 22 August 2026, jointly organised by the Research and Development Cell and the Central Library. Dr. Satyadhyan Chieckerur, Chief Guest, highlighted the importance of strengthening research culture, innovation and the use of emerging technologies in higher education.

Dr. Bhojaraju Gunjal, Chief Library Officer, IIT Hyderabad, spoke on the evolving role of libraries in supporting research, scholarly communication and technology-enabled academic services.

A Library Chatbot Service was launched to provide quick responses to users' queries and improve access to library services and information resources. Faculty members who published research articles in Q1-ranked journals and those who secured research grants were felicitated. The programme brought together faculty members, researchers, librarians and academic stakeholders, promoting a stronger culture of research and innovation within the institution.

National Librarians' Day Celebrated at Dr. C. V. Raman University, Kota



Shri J. P. Choubey Central Library, Dr. C. V. Raman University, Kota, Bilaspur, Chhattisgarh, celebrated National Librarians' Day on 12 August 2026 to commemorate the birth anniversary of Dr. S. R. Ranganathan, the Father of Library Science in India. The programme was attended by Vice Chancellor Prof. P. K. Ghosh, Registrar Dr. Arvind Kumar Tiwari, Pro Vice Chancellor Dr. Jayati Chaterjee Mitra, Dr. Sarita Mishra, Deans, Heads of Departments, faculty members, staff, students and library interns.

The celebration also marked the successful completion of a One-Month Library Internship Programme, during which interns received practical exposure to acquisition, classification, cataloguing, circulation, automation, RFID-based services, digital library services, e-resources and institutional repositories. An exhibition of models, charts and creative learning materials prepared by the interns was also organised, with dignitaries appreciating their efforts and professional learning.

National Librarians Day Celebrated at PJTAU, Hyderabad

The Knowledge Management Centre, Professor Jayashankar Telangana Agricultural University (PJTAU), Hyderabad, celebrated National Librarians' Day on 12 August 2026 to commemorate the 134th birth anniversary of Padma Shri Dr. S. R. Ranganathan, the Father of Library Science in India. The programme featured floral tributes and a presentation on Dr. Ranganathan's life and contributions.



Dr. K. B. Eswari, Dean of Post Graduate Studies, and Dr. Y. Yakadri, Director of Extension, highlighted the importance of library resources and encouraged students and research scholars to make effective use of library services.

Dr. N. P. Ravi Kumar, University Librarian (FAC) and Coordinator, highlighted Dr. Ranganathan's contributions, including the Five Laws of Library Science, Colon Classification, cataloguing, library administration and education. He also discussed the changing role of libraries in the context of ICT, Artificial Intelligence, digital libraries and research support services, emphasising the transition towards modern, technology-enabled library services.

National Webinar on Transforming Academic Libraries

The Telangana Library Association (TSLA) and the Department of Library and Information Science, Government City College (Autonomous), Hyderabad, jointly organised a National Webinar on "Transforming Academic Libraries: From Information Management to Intelligent Learning Hubs" on 24 August 2026, on the occasion of National Librarians' Day. Prof. N. V. R. Jyoti Kumar, Vice Chancellor, Sri Krishnadevaraya University, was the Chief Guest and highlighted the need for academic libraries to evolve from traditional repositories into technology-enabled learning and research hubs. He discussed the role of Artificial Intelligence in services such as intelligent chatbots, automated cataloguing, personalised recommendations and information retrieval, while emphasising privacy, ethics, accuracy and responsible use of technology.

Prof. Mahendra Pratap Singh, Department of Library and Information Science, University of Delhi, and Dr. Akhtar Parvez, University Librarian, Jamia Hamdard University, New Delhi, were the resource persons. They highlighted the changing expectations of library users, digital and virtual research literacy, AI-enabled discovery and the evolving role of LIS professionals as research facilitators and knowledge guides. The webinar was attended by more than 150 LIS professionals and concluded with a vote of thanks by Dr. Ravi Kumar Chegoni, General Secretary, TSLA.

National Librarians Day Celebrated at BLDEA's A. S. Patil College of Commerce



National Librarians' Day was celebrated at BLDEA's A. S. Patil College of Commerce, Vijayapura, on 12 August 2026 to commemorate the birth anniversary of Padma Shri Dr. S. R. Ranganathan, the Father of Library Science in India. The programme highlighted the importance of libraries in academic learning, reading habits, knowledge sharing and lifelong learning, while remembering Dr. Ranganathan's contributions to Library and Information Science.

Prof. Siddeshwar Kamati, Principal, and Dr. Vanishree, Director, graced the programme. Dr. Shivaganga, Librarian, coordinated the event with the support of the library team. Students were encouraged to develop regular reading habits and make effective use of print and digital resources for their studies, projects, competitive examinations and overall knowledge development.

KLS Gogte College BCA Students Visit City Central Library, Belagavi



More than 40 first-year BCA students of KLS Gogte College of Commerce, Belagavi, undertook an educational study visit to the City Central Library, Belagavi, as part of an academic initiative to connect classroom learning with real-world information management.

The visit exposed students to modern information systems, digital archiving and contemporary research methodologies. The programme was coordinated by Dr. Praveen Hulloli, Librarian, along with faculty members Prof. Karuna Deshpande and Prof. Jyoti Patil.

Deputy Director Mr. Ramayya G., along with Mr. Prakash Inchal and the library staff, guided the students through the library's resource centres. Library officials demonstrated advanced library management practices, including digital services, online catalogues and specialised research tools. The visit concluded with an interactive Q&A session on the role of digital infrastructure in modern library services.

NCU Library Organises Hindi Diwas Book Exhibition



The NCU Library, The NorthCap University, organised a special book exhibition on 14 September 2026 to celebrate Hindi Diwas. The exhibition featured a rich collection of Hindi books and provided students and faculty members an opportunity to explore Hindi literature according to their academic and personal interests.

University Librarian Dr. Anil Kumar Jharotia informed the university community about the exhibition. Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Prof. Nupur Prakash and Registrar Prof. Anjali Garg appreciated the initiative and encouraged activities promoting reading, language and cultural awareness among students and faculty members.

Alumni Meet Marks 55 Years of Department of Library and Information Science at University of Kashmir



The Department of Library and Information Science, University of Kashmir, organised an Alumni Meet on 12 September 2026, marking 55 years of the establishment of the Department. The event brought together former alumni and the present generation of students and research scholars, providing an opportunity to reconnect and recall the Department's academic journey and legacy.

The occasion was particularly memorable for alumni who later served the Department in academic leadership roles. Former students interacted with the current students and scholars and distributed mementos to some of them, making the celebration a meaningful occasion of academic fellowship and shared memories.

International Literacy Day Celebrated at Suguna College of Arts and Science



The Department of Library, Suguna College of Arts and Science, Nehru Nagar, Coimbatore, organised the International Literacy Day 2026 celebration on 8 September 2026 at the College Seminar Hall. The programme focused on creating awareness about the importance of literacy and lifelong learning, with the theme "Literacy for People, the Planet and Prosperity."

The event highlighted the role of literacy in sustainable development, social progress and economic growth.

Dr. B. Mahadevan, Assistant Professor and Head, Department of Library and Information Science, Vellalar College for Women (Autonomous), Erode, was the Chief Guest. In his address, he emphasised the importance of literacy in empowering individuals, enhancing employability, developing critical thinking and building an informed society. The programme was convened by Dr. C. Melvin Jebaraj, Librarian, with the support of the organising committee. Students actively participated and pledged to promote literacy and reading habits in society.

National Workshop on Research Essentials Held at Sankar Polytechnic College

Sankar Polytechnic College, Sankar Nagar, in collaboration with the SALIS Tirunelveli Chapter, organised a National Workshop on "Research Essentials for Social Science Researchers" on 22 August 2026 at A. P. J. Abdul Kalam Hall. The workshop brought together 37 participants, including faculty members, research scholars, library science students and SALIS members. Dr. P. Balasubramanian, Librarian and Head, Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, delivered the inaugural address on standardised research tools, literature mapping and academic ethics.

The technical sessions provided hands-on training in Scopus search strategies, RStudio, Bibliometrix and Mendeley, along with research visibility through ORCID, Scopus ID and Google Scholar. Mr. Raja V., Scientist 'D', INFLIBNET Centre, also introduced participants to initiatives including Vidwan, IRINS, Shodh-Chakra, Shodhganga, INFED and Shodh Shuddhi. The workshop concluded with a valedictory session and distribution of participation certificates.

Special Lecture on Dr. S. R. Ranganathan Held at KLE College of Commerce, Khanapur



KLE College of Commerce, Khanapur, organised a one-day Special Guest Lecture on "Biography of Dr. S. R. Ranganathan and How to Effectively Use the Library for Teachers and Students" on 19 August 2026. The programme was organised by the Department of Library to promote library literacy and enhance research skills.

Dr. Praveen Hulloli, Librarian and Head, Department of Library, KLS Gogte College of Commerce, Belagavi, was the Chief Guest and Resource Person. He discussed the life and contributions of Dr. S. R. Ranganathan and their continuing relevance to modern library systems and information access.

Engineering Book Exhibition Held at BLDEA's Engineering College, Vijayapura



The Central Library and Information Center, in association with the Engineering and Basic Science Departments of BLDEA's V. P. Dr. P. G. Halakatti College of Engineering and Technology, Vijayapura, organised an Engineering Book Exhibition on 21–22 September 2026 at the Central Library. The exhibition was inaugurated on 21 September by Dr. Vijaya Prakash A. M., Principal, Bangalore Institute of Technology, Bengaluru, and Dr. M. H. Moinuddin Khan, Professor, JNNCE, Shivamogga, Academic Senate Member and Chairman.

The dignitaries highlighted the importance of exposing students and faculty to new titles and latest editions and encouraging reading habits.

Publishers including Wiley India, Pearson, TMH, Shroff Publishers and Distributors, Penguin, Apress and Cengage participated in the exhibition. Students and faculty members visited the stalls and recommended relevant books to the Central Library for procurement, supporting the development of its engineering collections.

ACM Digital Library Open Access Programme Held at CMRCET



An awareness programme titled "From Discovery to Research" on the ACM Digital Library and Open Access was conducted at CMRCET, Kandlakoya, on 21 September 2026. The programme was inaugurated by Principal Dr. K. Srinivas Rao.

Abhishek Narayan Singh, GIST, highlighted the role of digital libraries in supporting research and explained how researchers and faculty members can access scientific literature, research resources and open-access publishing through the ACM Digital Library.

The programme introduced participants to the ACM Digital Library, ACM Open and Kimbu/Kimbus platforms, with demonstrations on accessing computer science journals, conference proceedings, research papers and other scientific resources. CMR Secretary Chamakur Gopal Reddy, CEO Abhinav Reddy, R&D team members and library staff participated in the programme.

IASLIC Organises Workshop on "Green Library"

The Education Division of the Indian Association of Special Libraries and Information Centres (IASLIC) organised a hybrid workshop on "Green Library" on 19 September 2026. The programme was attended by 86 registered participants from different parts of the country, along with IASLIC Executive Members and members of the Education Division. Dr. Susanta Kumar Senapati, Former Principal Technical Officer, CSIR-Central Building Research Institute, Roorkee, and former Associate Professor, AcSIR, was the resource person.

Dr. Senapati discussed the concept and features of green library buildings, sustainability standards, certification agencies, energy-saving measures and green library materials. He also presented national and international examples and highlighted IFLA's contribution through the ENSULIB Section. The workshop concluded with an interactive session and positive feedback from participants, including librarians, faculty members, research scholars and students.

Guest Lecture organized as St. Ann's College for Women (Autonomous) Mehdipatnam, Hyderabad



The Department of Library and Information Science organized a guest lecture on the occasion of National Librarians' Day, on 31 August 2026. The guest lecture was organized on the topic "Easy Search Tools for Accessing Library Resources: OPAC and Web OPAC" for the PG II Year students.

The programme was graced by Dr. Sr. A. Vijaya Rani, Principal, as the patron. The resource person for the session was Dr. V. Uma, Former Deputy Librarian, Indira Gandhi Memorial Library, University of Hyderabad (UOH). Dr. Uma explained the importance and usefulness of OPAC and Web OPAC and demonstrated how students can search for books and other library resources using different search options. Library Committee Members Dr. Anuradha – Dean Dr. K. Bharadwaja – PG Dean Dr. A. D. Suneetha – Librarian (PG) Ms. D. Rajalakshmi – Librarian (UG) grace the occasion. The programme concluded with a vote of thanks proposed by Dr. A. D. Suneetha, Librarian (PG).

Forthcoming Events

RLUK27 Conference Invites Papers on "The Living Library, Shaped by People"

Research Libraries UK (RLUK) has invited submissions for the RLUK27 Conference, themed "The Living Library, Shaped by People," to be held from 10–12 March 2027 at Titanic Belfast, Northern Ireland. The international conference is open to all colleagues interested in reshaping scholarship and the role of research libraries. The deadline for paper submissions is 17:00 GMT on 26 October 2026.

The conference will explore five broad themes: "The Stories We Tell," "The Bridges We Build," "The Futures We Create," "The Technology We Shape," and "The Meaning We Bring." Discussions will examine the changing role and value of research libraries, collections and social cohesion, sustainable funding and partnerships, emerging technologies including AI, and the growing civic role of research libraries and their collections.

National Conference on Transforming Libraries to Be Held at Mizoram University

The Department of Library and Information Science, Mizoram University, in collaboration with the Central Library, National Institute of Technology Mizoram, Aizawl, is organising a National Conference on "Transforming Libraries from Knowledge Repositories to Intelligent Information Ecosystems (TLibRIIE-2027)" on 17–18 February 2027 at the Department of Library and Information Science, Mizoram University, Aizawl. Original research papers, review papers, conceptual papers, case studies, best practices and innovative models are invited. The deadline for abstract submission is 15 October 2026, full paper submission is 15 November 2026, and the last date for registration is 31 January 2027.

Galgotias University to Host International Seminar on AI-Enabled Research Support and Digital Scholarship

The Galgotias University Knowledge Centre will organise a One Day International Seminar on "AI-Enabled Research Support and Digital Scholarship: Transforming Research and Library Services" on 29 October 2026 at 10:30 AM at Galgotias University, Greater Noida.

The seminar will feature Dr. Jean-Charles Lamirel, Professor of Computer Science, Université de Strasbourg, France; Dr. T. Pratheepan, Acting Librarian, Uva Wellassa University, Sri Lanka; Prof. Ajay Pratap Singh, DLIS, Delhi University; and Dr. Santosh Gupta, DLIS, University of Rajasthan, Jaipur. Seats are limited and registration is open.

IFLA SCITECH Invites Proposals for 2027 Professional Development Webinars

The IFLA Science and Technology Libraries Section (SCITECH) has invited proposals for its 2027 Professional Development Webinar Series, focusing on evolving trends, paradigm shifts and emerging topics in science and technology librarianship. Proposals are welcomed from all types of libraries, particularly those presenting practical frameworks, lessons learned, best practices and actionable approaches. The section will also give attention to proposals from under-represented regions and under-explored areas of science and technology librarianship.

Webinars are generally conducted in a 60-minute format, comprising 30 minutes of presentation and 30 minutes of interaction with participants. Proposals should include a working title, approximately 100-word description, speaker biography, proposed format and language. Proposals should be submitted to Anna Au, Information Coordinator, by 15 November 2026. Selected webinars will be recorded and shared through IFLA's online channels and repository.

News you can use

TANSCHE to Study Library Facilities in 188 Government Arts and Science Colleges



Higher edu council to study library facilities in 188 govt arts colleges

SUNITA JAISWAL | Chennai

THE Tamil Nadu State Council for Higher Education (TANSCHE) will soon undertake a comprehensive study of library facilities in all 188 government arts and science colleges in the state, amid concerns over poor infrastructure, inadequate digital facilities and a shortage of librarians.

More than 60 government colleges currently function without librarians, while several college libraries lack adequate computers and other facilities, limiting their use as regular academic spaces for students.

The proposed study will assess the overall functioning of libraries, including infrastructure, accessibility, availability of books and digital resources, staffing, funding and student usage. It will also examine how effectively the libraries support teaching, learning and research.

Officials said the exercise will begin with TANSCHE seeking detailed information from all 188 colleges on the present condition of their libraries. Institutions will be asked to provide details of available facilities and resources, staff strength, funding and the extent of student use.

The council will subsequently verify the information through random surveys and field visits to selected colleges. The inspections are intended to provide a clearer picture of conditions on the ground and identify gaps that may not be reflected in the reports submitted by institutions, officials said.

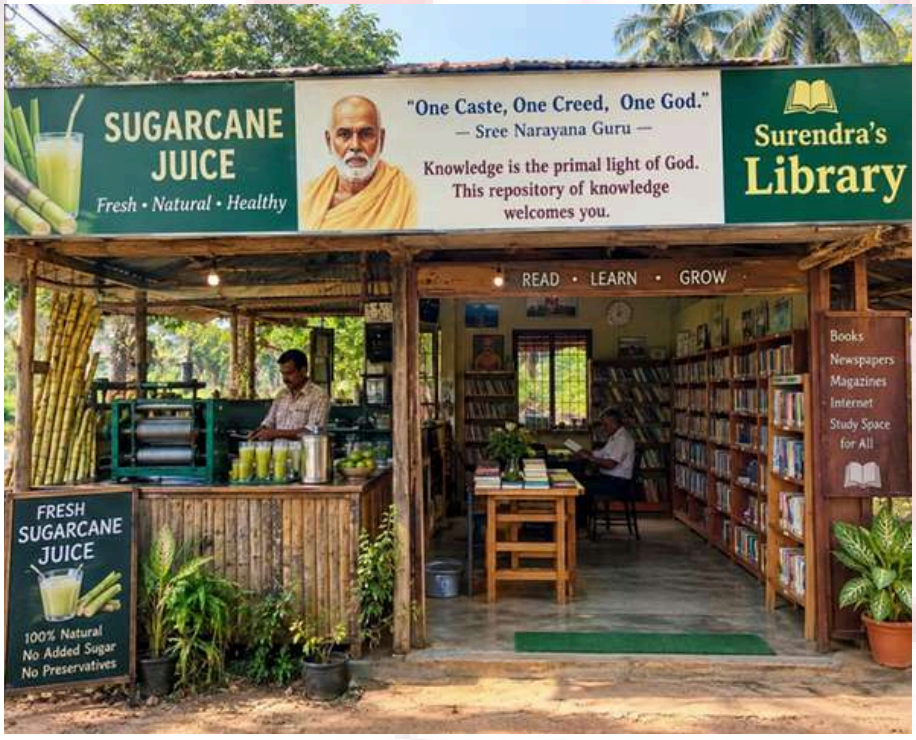
The data collected from colleges and the field surveys will then be analysed, following which TANSCHE will submit a detailed report with recommendations to the Higher Education Department. The recommendations are expected to cover improvements in infrastructure, staffing, resources, digital facilities and accessibility.

TANSCHE vice-chairman M P Vijayakumar said work on the project is likely to begin next month. He said the initiative is aimed at developing college libraries into one-stop academic centres capable of meeting the learning and research requirements of students.

The Tamil Nadu State Council for Higher Education (TANSCHE) will undertake a comprehensive study of library facilities in all 188 government arts and science colleges in Tamil Nadu amid concerns over inadequate infrastructure, digital facilities and shortage of librarians. More than 60 government colleges currently function without librarians, while several college libraries reportedly lack adequate computers and other facilities.

The study will assess library infrastructure, accessibility, print and digital resources, staffing, funding and student usage, as well as the effectiveness of libraries in supporting teaching, learning and research. TANSCHE will collect information from all 188 colleges and verify it through random surveys and field visits. The findings will be analysed and submitted to the Higher Education Department with recommendations for improving infrastructure, staffing, resources, digital facilities and accessibility.

Surendra Kottian's Juice Centre Library Promotes Community Reading



At Kunjathur, near the Kerala–Karnataka border, Surendra Kottian has created a unique community library within his sugarcane juice centre, turning an everyday commercial space into a place for reading and knowledge sharing. The initiative is guided by the messages "One Caste, One Creed, One God" of Sree Narayana Guru and "Knowledge is the primal light of God."

Surendra, who has pursued book collecting as a hobby for around 35 years, has a personal collection of more than 10,000 books, valued at over ₹10 lakh according to the account.

His home library, opened on 14 January 2024, attracted hundreds of readers, including PhD scholars who searched its old and rare books for research. To make the collection more accessible and avoid the inconvenience of moving between his home and juice centre, he shifted the collection to the juice shop, creating a grassroots reading and knowledge space for the local community.

Prof. Chandrakant R. Joshi Offers Assistance in Transcribing Modi Script Literature

Prof. Chandrakant R. Joshi, retired Librarian of the College of Veterinary and Animal Sciences, Udgir, District Latur, Maharashtra, has offered his expertise in transcribing Modi Script literature into Devanagari Marathi script. His initiative could support researchers, library professionals and scholars working with historical documents and literary materials preserved in the Modi script.

Prof. Joshi has invited individuals and institutions possessing Modi Script literature to contact him for assistance with transcription into Devanagari Marathi. Such efforts can help make historical and literary resources more accessible to researchers and readers familiar with the Devanagari script. He is currently based in Chhatrapati Sambhajinagar, Maharashtra.. **Contact: Prof. C. R. Joshi – 9850786830**

AI Training and Copyright: 'Lawful Access' May Not Always Be Required in India

An analysis published by The Indian Express examines the implications of the Delhi High Court's proceedings concerning copyright and AI training, particularly the use of copyrighted works in training large language models (LLMs). Law Professor Arul George Scaria of the National Law School of India University, Bengaluru, discussed the relationship between AI training, fair dealing and potential copyright liability.

According to Prof. Scaria, the principle of "lawful access" is not a general requirement under the fair dealing provision or most other copyright exceptions under Indian copyright law. Where a particular exception applies and does not specifically require lawful access, he argues that the source from which the material was obtained may not, by itself, determine whether the use qualifies for that exception. The discussion also considers the legal questions surrounding "shadow libraries" and their use in AI training.

IFLA Launches Centenary Year #IFLA100

The International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA) has officially launched its centenary year, #IFLA100, during the closing session of its World Library and Information Congress. The centenary celebrations mark 100 years of IFLA's contribution to the global library and information community. As part of the launch, IFLA unveiled its centenary logo, designed by the team at Stellenbosch University, South Africa.

A range of new resources has also been made available through the official IFLA100 centenary webpage, including a timeline, ideas for member and volunteer engagement, open calls and the first Quest in the Great IFLA100 Futures Challenge. The initiative invites the global library community to participate, build connections and contribute ideas towards strengthening IFLA as it enters its second century.

Linux Marks 35 Years Since Its Introduction

Linux has marked 35 years since Linus Torvalds, then a young computer science student, announced in 1991 that he was developing a new operating system as a personal project. The project, initially described as "just a hobby," went on to become one of the most influential open-source technologies in computing. Interestingly, the operating system was almost named "Freax" before the name Linux was adopted.

Today, Linux is widely used across servers, supercomputers, cloud infrastructure, smartphones and numerous digital services. The milestone highlights the enduring impact of open-source software and the contribution of Linux to modern computing.

GJUST Launches Institutional Repository on DSpace



Guru Jambheshwar University of Science & Technology (GJUST), Hisar, launched its Institutional Repository (IR) on 26 August 2026, inaugurated by Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor Prof. Narsi Ram Bishnoi. Developed by the Dr. B. R. Ambedkar Library under the guidance of University Librarian Dr. Vinod Kumar, the repository uses DSpace 8.0 and has been developed in-house by the Library's Automation Section and hosted on the University's own server.

The repository will provide a central platform for collecting, preserving, managing and disseminating institutional resources, including previous years' question papers, project reports, annual reports, publications, newsletters, bulletins, prospectuses and manuals. Only materials owned by the University or for which appropriate digital dissemination rights are available will be made openly accessible. The initiative is expected to improve the visibility and accessibility of GJUST's academic output while supporting teaching, learning, research, digital preservation and Open Access.

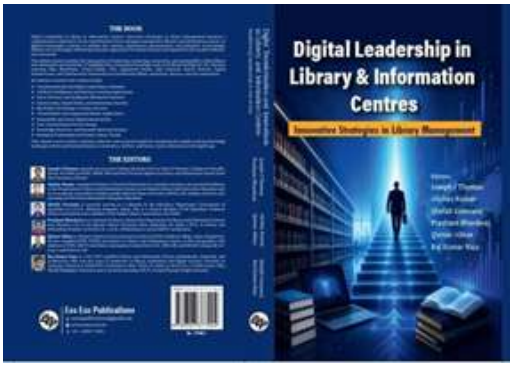
Delhi University Photocopy Shop's Copyright Battle Recalled

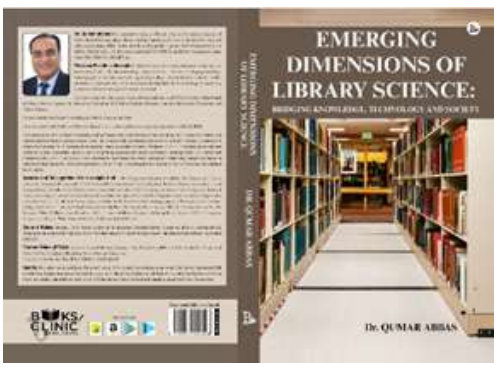
A recent India Today feature revisits the four-year copyright dispute involving Rameshwari Photocopy Service at the Delhi School of Economics (DSE) and three major academic publishers — Oxford University Press, Cambridge University Press, and Taylor & Francis. The dispute began after a 2012 raid over the preparation of course packs containing photocopied academic readings. The shop's owner, Dharampal Singh, recalled the financial and personal difficulties faced during the legal proceedings.

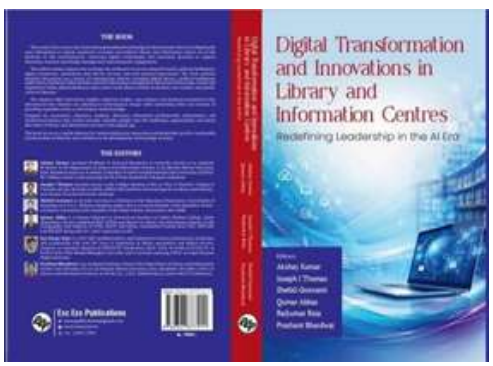
The case also drew significant support from students, who argued that course packs provided affordable access to readings that could otherwise cost thousands of rupees. In September 2016, Justice Rajiv Sahai Endlaw dismissed the publishers' suit, and in December 2016 a two-judge Delhi High Court bench upheld the educational-use principle at the centre of the dispute; the publishers subsequently withdrew from the case. The episode remains an important part of discussions around copyright, educational access and the role of libraries and academic institutions in making scholarly resources accessible to students.

Book Release

Three New Books on Library and Information Science Released in Ajmer







A book release programme organised by Ajmer Lekhika Manch and Social Services Institute (Reg.) was held on 20 September 2026 at Merwada Estate (Bhagchand Ji's Kothi), Ajmer. The programme marked a significant occasion for Library and Information Science with the release of three books authored or edited by Dr. Qamar Abbas, a Library and Information Science specialist associated with Dr. JLN Medical College.

The books released were Emerging Dimensions of Library Science: Bridging Knowledge, Technology and Society by Dr. Qamar Abbas; Digital Transformation and Innovations in Library and Information Centers by Dr. Qamar Abbas, Dr. Joseph Thomas, Akshay Kumar, Shefali Goswami, Prashant Bharadwaj and Raj Kumar Raja; and Digital Leadership in Library and Information Centers by the same team of authors. The programme was chaired by Dr. Basant Singh Solanki, Secretary, Rajasthan Sahitya Akademi, with Mr. Tikamchand Bohra 'Anjana' (IAS) as Chief Guest and Professor N. Lakshmi Ayyar, Central University, among the special guests. The books were appreciated by the literature and academic community for their focus on contemporary themes in Library and Information Science.

Appointments and Promotions

Dr. Priya Rai Appointed Director General of Delhi Public Library



Dr. Priya Rai, a well-known professional in the field of Library and Information Science, has joined as Director General of the Delhi Public Library (DPL), Ministry of Culture, Government of India. Her appointment marks a significant responsibility in leading one of the country's prominent public library systems. Her current designation as Director General, Delhi Public Library, is also reflected in recent institutional and professional listings.

The library and information science community extends its heartfelt congratulations and best wishes to Dr. Priya Rai on assuming the new responsibility.

Awards

Gaddi Srikanth Reddy Receives National Best Librarian Award 2026



Sri Gaddi Srikanth Reddy, Librarian, Vidya Jyothi Institute of Technology, Hyderabad, was honoured with the National Best Librarian Award – 2026 by the Madras Library Association (MALA) in recognition of his outstanding contributions to the Library and Information Science profession.

The award was presented during the MALA Awards–2026 and AGM & Awards Function held at Anna Centenary Library, Kotturpuram, Chennai, on 16 August 2026, as part of the 134th birth anniversary celebrations of Padma Shri Dr. S. R. Ranganathan. The award recognises his contributions to library and information services and his dedicated service to the profession.

Dr. Nandeesha B Receives Best National Librarian Award 2026



Dr. Nandeesha B, Assistant Library and Information Officer (ALIO), All India Institute of Speech and Hearing (AIISH), Mysuru, has been honoured with the Best National Librarian Award 2026 by the Madras Library Association (MALA). The award was presented during the MALA Awards function held on 16 August 2026 at Anna Centenary Library, Chennai, in recognition of his dedicated service and contributions to the field of Library and Information Science.

Dr. Nandeesha has contributed to the advancement of library services, academic and research support, and the adoption of emerging technologies and innovative practices. The recognition acknowledges his professional commitment to improving access to information and strengthening user-centred library services.

National Best Librarian Award and National Librarians Day Celebrated at Vaagdevi Pharmacy College



A librarian of Vaagdevi Pharmacy College, Warangal, has been honoured with the National Best Librarian Award in recognition of contributions to the Library and Information Science profession. The award was presented at the Madras Library Association (MALA) Awards–2026 function, as reflected in the accompanying photographs..

The college also celebrated National Librarians' Day with the participation of the Principal, R&D Director, Heads of Departments, teaching and non-teaching staff and other members of the college. The programme commemorated the birth anniversary of Dr. S. R. Ranganathan, the Father of Library Science in India, and highlighted his contributions and enduring legacy in Library and Information Science.

Dr. Anil Kumar Jharotia Receives Best University Librarian of the Year–2026 Award



The Government of Rajasthan, through the Directorate of Language & Library and Government Divisional Public Library, Kota, in collaboration with the Raja Rammohun Roy Library Foundation (RRRLF), IFLA and the Library Professionals Foundation (LPF), organised the State-Level International Seminar on Public Libraries and Librarians (SLS-PLLSCD 2026) in Kota on 12 August 2026, on the occasion of National Librarians' Day.

A major highlight of the seminar was the presentation of the Best University Librarian of the Year–2026 Award to Dr. Anil Kumar Jharotia, University Librarian, The NorthCap University, Gurugram. The award recognised his contributions to university librarianship, library and information services, technological innovation and the advancement of the library profession.

Dr. Myla Thyagaraju Receives State Best Teacher Award



Dr. Myla Thyagaraju, Department of Tourism Management, Vikrama Simhapuri University, Nellore, has been honoured with the State Best Teacher Award by the State Government on the occasion of Teachers' Day on 5 September. The award recognises his dedicated service, commitment to academic excellence and contributions to education.

Dr. Thyagaraju has contributed to student development through innovative teaching practices, academic guidance and continuous encouragement. The University community congratulated him on the achievement and acknowledged his contribution to the Department of Tourism Management.

Dr. C. Melvin Jebaraj Receives National Best Young Librarian Award – 2026



Dr. C. Melvin Jebaraj, Librarian, Suguna College of Arts and Science, Coimbatore, has been honoured with the National Best Young Librarian Award – 2026 by the Madras Library Association (MALA). The award recognises his outstanding achievements, innovation and contributions to the Library and Information Science profession.

The award was conferred on 16 August 2026 at Anna Centenary Library, Kotturpuram, Chennai, during the celebration of the 134th Birth Anniversary of Padmashree Dr. S. R. Ranganathan. The recognition acknowledges Dr. Jebaraj's professional contributions to library and information services and his innovative initiatives in the field.

Arun Vishnu More Awarded Ph.D. in Library and Information Science

Mr. Arun Vishnu More, the first Ph.D. research scholar of the concerned supervisor, was awarded the Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) degree in Library and Information Science by Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Marathwada University, Chhatrapati Sambhajinagar, on 22 September 2026. His research was titled "Research in Rheumatoid Arthritis: A Bibliometric Study."

The research was evaluated by the doctoral committee comprising Dr. Shashank Sonawane, Chairman; Prof. Dr. Vaishali Khaparde, Dean, Faculty of Interdisciplinary Studies; Dr. Aparna Ballal, Swami Ramanand Teerth Marathwada University, Nanded; and Dr. Meera Yadav, University of Delhi, External Examiner. The achievement was acknowledged with gratitude for their critical evaluation, support and cooperation.

Dr. Anusha Sangam awarded Ph D



Anusha Sangam has been awarded Ph D from Karnataka State Akkamahadevi Women University, Vijayapura for the title entitled " Open educational Resources: Opportunities and Challenges for University libraries in India" submitted under the guidance of Prof P G Tadasad, Senior Professor, DLISc, Karnataka State Akkamahadevi Women University, Vijayapura

Dr. Jayadev Hiremath awarded Professional Doctorate



Jayadev Hiremath, known for his distinguished expertise in Library and Information Science, was honoured with a professional doctorate by Thames International University (France) in recognition of his lifetime achievements. The degree was awarded during a grand Convocation ceremony held in August. He was also conferred the Asian Leadership and Teacher Award. He has been honoured for his unwavering commitment, vast experience, remarkable achievements, and innovative, invaluable contributions to the field of library and information science.

Obituary

Prof. (Dr.) M. Bavakutty Passes Away



Prof. (Dr.) M. Bavakutty, former University Librarian and former Head of the Department of Library and Information Science, University of Calicut, has passed away. He was a respected academic and library professional and a member of the Indian Library Association (ILA).

The ILA mourns the loss of Prof. Bavakutty and conveys its heartfelt condolences to his family, colleagues, students and the wider Library and Information Science community. His contributions to library education and the profession will be remembered.

Question & Answer

Question: In the case of an MLISc-qualified candidate pursuing a Ph.D. in Library & Information Sciences under the Faculty of Computer Applications & Information Sciences, I believe it is important to clarify whether such a Ph.D. would be considered a Ph.D. in Library & Information Sciences under UGC/CAS regulations. In particular, it would be useful to clarify whether this qualification would be accepted for government or university recruitment and promotion to positions such as Assistant Librarian/Librarian.

Answer. The discipline 'Library and Information Science' falls under different faculties of the Universities across the nation – Arts, Education, Humanities, Social Sciences, Science & Technology etc. In this particular case, it falls under the faculty of Computer Applications & Information Science.

If the Ph D program offered by the University satisfies Claiuse 12 of UGC (Minimum Standards and Procedures for award of Ph D Degree) 2022 which states as below 12. Academic, research, administrative, and infrastructure requirements to be fulfilled by Colleges for getting recognition for offering Ph.D. programmes.-

(1) Post-graduate Colleges offering 4-year Undergraduate Programmes and/or Post-graduate Programmes, may offer Ph.D. programmes, provided they satisfy the availability of eligible Research Supervisors, required infrastructure, and supporting administrative and research facilities as per these Regulations.

(2) Colleges and research institutions established by the central government or a State government whose degrees are awarded by Higher Educational Institutions shall offer Ph.D. programmes provided they have:

i. At least two faculty members in a college or two Ph.D.-qualified scientists in the research institution.

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