## **IASLIC Bulletin**

## GUIDELINES TO THE REVIEWER OF BOOKS

- 1. Book Reviews in the relevant field are published in IASLIC Bulletin, and other publications of IASLIC, if the Editor receives a request from its publisher/author, along with two copies of the book to review and when it is found suitable for publication.
- 2. Reviewing a book is strictly the discretion of the Editorial Board and will be reviewed only by the Reviewers selected by IASLIC. Publishers/authors are requested to keep themselves abstained from proposing the name of the reviewer.
- 3. Reviewers of a book are requested to follow the under mentioned guidelines that are not to curtail their freedom.

They merely suggest the essential parameters of the review. The Review is expected to contain the following:

- i. A brief introduction to the field, or, as the case may be, the particular area of a field, to which the book review belongs. The under introduction will lay emphasis on the status of development in the field/area of a field, and indicate the link of the book to the stated development.
- ii. The purpose/aim of the book as stated in the Preface/Introduction, and assessment as to how far the purpose/aim is evident in the text.
- iii. A gist of the contents of the book; the specific subject-matter/topics dealt with; assessment as to the extent and coverage, noticeable lacunae in the contents.
- An account of the treatment and exposition of subjectthe

matter/topics and assessment as to how far the treatment aims at an extensive study or an in depth study, or both. Comments on the exposition.

- v. Besides assessments specifically in respect of items 2, 3, and 4 mentioned above, a general assessment of the merits and limitations of the book as a whole.
- vi. The assessments/comments should be, as far as possible, objective that is, based on the evidence of the text of the book under review.
- vii. A book review should be presented within 600 words or within one page.

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