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Quote of the Month

"The only thing that you absolutely have to know is the location of the library." - Albert Einstein - Theoretical physicist (1879-1955)

Appeal to Readers

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IASLIC ACTIVITIES

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1	Anna Centenary Library, Chennai, Tamil Nadu	4041 - I[Z 1]
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3	Bishop Heber College, Tiruchirappalli, Tamil Nadu	0079 - I[Z 1]
4	Central Leather Research Institute, Chennai, Tamil Nadu	0102 - I[Z 1]
5	Charuchandra College, Kolkata, West Bengal	2902 - I[Z 6]
6	Chhattisgarh Legislative Assembly	0130 - I[[Z 3]
7	Central Institute of Indian Languages, Mysore, Karnataka	2797 - I[Z 1]
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10	G L Choudhury College, Barpeta, Assam	
11	Gokhale Institute of Politics and Economics, Pune, Maharashtra	
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13	Highways Research Station, Chennai, Tamil Nadu	
14	Institute of Development Studies, Kolkata, West Bengal	0172 - I[Z 6]
15	India International Centre, New Delhi	
16	Karnataka State Open University, Mysore, Karnataka	4057 - I[Z 1]
17	Konkan Gyanpeeth Karjat College of Arts, Science and Commerce, Raigad, Maharashtra	3102 - I[Z 2]
18	Maharaja Ganga Singh University, Bikaner, Rajasthan	3821 - I[Z 2]
19	North Gujrat University, Patan, Gujarat	0376 - I[Z 2]
20	Nabajyoti College, Kalgachia, Assam	4030 - I[Z 5]
21	Nehru Memorial Museum & Library, New Delhi	0368 - I[Z 4]
22	PSG Institute of Medical Sciences and Research, Coimbatore	1911 - I[Z 1]
23	Raja Rammohun Roy Library Foundation, Kolkata, West Bengal	0407 - [Z 6]
24	Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Patiala, Punjab	2798 - I[Z 4]
25	Ramkrishna Mission Institute of Culture, Kolkata, West Bengal	2793 - I[Z 6]
26	Reserve Bank of India Library, Mumbai, Maharashtra	3832 - I[Z 2]
27	Rajagiri College of Social Sciences, Kalamassery, Kerala	2791 - I[Z 1]
28	Shivaji University, Kolhapur, Maharashtra	
29	Central Manufacturing Technology Institute, Bangalore	0109 - I[Z 1]
30	Dravidian University, Kuppam	4019 - I[Z 1]
31	Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar	0062 - I[Z 4]
32	Indian Institute of Management, Calcutta	0219 - I[Z 6]
33	International Institute for Population Sciences, Mumbai	0261 - I[Z 2]
34	Kannur University, Kannur	4020 - I[Z 1]

35	Karnataka University Library, Dharwad	0285 – I[Z 1]
36	Kerala Agricultural University, Thrissur	0286 – I[Z 1]
37	Kuvempu University Library, Shankaraghatta	0291 – I[Z 1]
38	Lal Bahadur Shastri National Academy of Administration, Mussoorie	0293 – I[Z 3]
39	Malviya National Institute of Technology, Jaipur	3433 – I[Z 2]
40	Netaji Subhas Open University, Kolkata	4055 – I[Z 6]
41	Pt. Ravishankar Shukla University, Raipur	0411 – I[Z 3]
42	Pravabati College, Mayang Imphal, Manipur	4025 – I[Z 5]
43	Rani Channamma University, Bhutaramanahatti, Belagavi	3672 – I[Z 1]
44	Regional Institute of Education, Mysore	0413 – I[Z 1]
45	Sri Venkateswara University, Tirupati	0448 – I[Z 1]
46	Vasant Dada Sugar Institute, Pune	0489 – I[Z 2]

An appeal to the esteemed Institutional Members

IASLIC extends heartfelt gratitude for the unwavering support and trust and conveys deep appreciation for being an integral part of the team by joining with us as an



institutional member. All the Institutional members are earnestly requested to share their contact details (e-mail id and mobile number) to the mail id of IASLIC (iaslic.india@gmail.com) with a copy to the e-mail of the Treasurer Sri Pradip Kumar Sarkar at Spradipk101@yahoo.com

The Institutional Members, those who have already paid their subscription for 2024 via online mode are requested to send the transaction details/screenshot to the official mail id of IASLIC with a copy of the email to the Treasurer Sri Pradip Kumar Sarkar at Spradipk101@yahoo.com

Your continued support is highly solicited.

Announcement

The forthcoming 30th IASLIC National Seminar

Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh, Uttar Pradesh – 202002. 21 - 23 November 2024

Main Theme of the Seminar :

Information Literacy for Developing Enlightened Library/Information User Community in New Age

1. Concept and Scope of Information Literacy (IL)

- 1.1 Aims and Objectives of Information Literacy
- 1.2 Types of Abilities Expected to be possessed by an Information Literate Person

1.3 Related Concepts and their Relation/Difference with IL: Library Literacy, Visual Literacy, Media Literacy, Computer/Digital Literacy, Network Literacy

1.4 Different Components of Information Literacy

2. Need and Importance of IL of Library/Information Users

2.1 Information Explosion/Overload vis-a-vis Dwindling Number of Personnel in Libraries/Information Centres

2.2 IL Skills Required in Modern Libraries/Information Centres

2.3 Advantages of IL

2.4 IL for lifelong Learning

3. Information Literacy Competency Development

3.1 IL Programmes and their contents

3.2 Methods Employed in IL Development

3.3 Organizations Involved in IL development

3.4 Information Literacy Models

4. Information Literacy Standards

4.1 IL Standards for Different Types of Libraries – Public Libraries, Academic Libraries, Special Libraries

4.2 IL Standards for Various Subject Fields

4.3 IL Standards in Different Countries

4.4 Assessment of IL Level Achieved Based on Standards

5. Information Literacy Initiatives

5.1 International IL Initiatives

5.2 National/Regional IL Initiatives

5.3 IL Initiatives in India

5.4 Best Practices in IL Development – Case Studies

SIG 01: Bridging the Information Gap of Differently-Abled Library Users

a. Information Gap of Differently-Abled Library Users; Identifying Causes and Factors

b. Bridging the Information Gap through Customized Library /Information Services

c. Facilitating and Enhancing Information Access with the help of Assistive Technologies

d. Bridging Digital Divide affecting Differently-Abled Users

e. Organizing Information Literacy/User Education Programmes for Differently-Abled Users

SIG 02: Raising Library Service Quality through Application of AI

a. Concept of AI and Advantages of its use in Hu-

man Activities

- b. Exploring Possibilities for Applying AI in Libraries / Information Centres for Providing Improved Library / Information Services
- c. Developing Augmented Intelligence for Libraries
- d. Case Studies of AI Application in Libraries
- e. Portraying the Library Scene of Post-AI Application Era

352nd Study Circle Meeting of IASLIC

The **352nd** Study Circle Meeting of IASLIC will be held on **13th June, 2024 (Thursday) at 6:00 p.m.** in the meeting room of IASLIC which is situated at P - 291, CIT Scheme 6M, Kankurgachhi Kolkata - 700054. The speaker of the above mentioned study circle meeting will be **Dr. Debabrata Bhattacharyya**, Senior Library Assistant, Bidhan Chandra Krishi Viswavidyalaya, Mohanpur, Nadia, West Bengal. The Chairman of the meeting will be **Prof Udayan Bhattacharyya**, Professor of the Department of Library and Information Science, Jadavpur University, Kolkata. The topic of the said study circle meeting will be as follows:- 'Agricultural **Research in India : Role of Krishikosh, CAB Abstracts and CeRA (Consortium of Electronic Resources in Agriculture)**.'

All the students, research scholars, faculty Members, librarians, information professionals and others are hereby invited to participate in the above mentioned programme to make it a great success. All are Welcome.

Dr. Tridib Chattopadhyay,
Convenor, Study Circle Division,
IASLIC, Kolkata

Indian Library Science Abstracts [ILSA] –Volume 45-49 (2011-2015)

Indian Library Science Abstracts (ILSA), being brought out by IASLIC since 1967, is the only national abstracting and indexing journal of India in the field of library and information Science. Due to the phenomenal growth of LIS literature in India in English as well as regional languages and the lack of volunteer professionals it has become a herculean task to collect, organize and compile

data for the ILSA. The last cumulative volume (Vols. 40-44, 2006-2010) was published in 2018, the print copies as well as e-copies (in CD) of which are available for sale at IASLIC Office.

ILSA Volumes: 45-49 (2011-2015) published in July, 2023. The volume consists of 1365 entries from 17 journals and 6 conference proceedings. Complete bibliographical description of the abstracted document as furnished in the source journal has been provided in order to facilitate the users to identify the document. The volume consists of two parts: Main or Classified Part and Index Part. Entries in the main/classified part are primarily arranged according to the classified order by adopting 22nd ed. of DDC.

We humbly acknowledge the patronage of the honourable members of the Editorial Board. We also gratefully acknowledge commercial and academic publishers, LIS schools, research institutes, professional associations, library and information science professionals for their encouragement and support in getting data from various sources distributed in different states of India. The team hopes that ILSA will be an authentic and comprehensive surrogate of Indian intellectual output in Library and Information Science.

Snapshots of some pages of the **ILSA Volume 45-49 (2011-2015) are available in the IASLIC website**. The hard copy and soft copy will be available from IASLIC Office. **The Price of Print version is Rs. 2500/- and e-version is Rs. 500/**. For any query, please mail to: iaslic.india@gmail.com.

CONFERENCE/SEMINAR/ TRAINING/WORKSHOP

The 351th Study Circle Meeting of IASLIC: A brief report

The **351st Study Circle Meeting of IASLIC** was held on the 9th May, 2024 (Thursday) at 6:00 p.m. in the meeting room of IASLIC which is situated at P 291, CIT Scheme 6 M, Kankurgachhi, Kolkata - 700054. The speaker of the above mentioned study circle meeting was **Dr. Avijit Chakrabarti**, Librarian, Maharaja Srish Chandra College, Kolkata. The Chairman of the meeting was Dr. Nitai Raychoudhury, Librarian, City College, Kolkata,

and EC member of IASLIC. The topic of the discussion of the said meeting was “Story of Idea: a Case Study of Transforming Traditional Library to Community Engagement Store”. At the outset, the welcome address was delivered by Mr. Abhijit Kumar, General Secretary of IASLIC. Then the Speaker and the Chairman of the meeting were introduced by Dr. Tridib Chattopadhyay, Convenor of the Study Circle Division of IASLIC. After that, the Speaker and the Chairman were felicitated with flower bouquets by Miss Moumita Ash, Joint Secretary of IASLIC. Then the meeting was started. Dr. Avijit Chakrabarti has stated that the Community engagement refers to the active involvement, participation, and interaction of individuals within a community, creating an inclusive environment where people connect, collaborate, and share ideas, ultimately leading to stronger relationships and a sense of belonging. Idea Stores of Tower Hamlets borough of London, are more than just a library or a place for learning. He has also told that with traditional library services, they offer a wide range of adult learning courses and an extensive activities and events programme including career support, training, meeting areas, cafes and arts and leisure pursuits. Dr Chakrabarti has stated that from 1999 (when the concept of Idea Store launched) to 2022 (when Idea Store made partnership with Bethnal Green Library) Idea Store came across from a traditional public library to a community engagement store with the engagement of people with Informative Participation, Preparatory & Planning Participation and Decision making Participation. It is very clear that the Idea Store now a great place to live with Safe & Supportive Community, Prosperous Community and Healthy Community. After that Dr Nitai Raychoudhury has briefly described the entire discussion in a pinpointed manner. Prof. K. P. Majumder and Prof. P. K. Panigrahi both took part in the discussions. The speaker has answered all the questions asked by the audience vividly. After all it was a very fruitful discussion. The vote of thanks was delivered by Miss Moumita Ash, Joint Secretary of IASLIC. Dr. Tridib Chattopadhyay, the Convenor of Study Circle Division of IASLIC has thanked all the dignitaries, guests and the audience regarding their active participation and in-

volvement. The meeting ended with thanks to the Chair.

Dr. Tridib Chattopadhyay,
Convenor, Study Circle Division,
IASLIC, Kolkata

FORTH COMING CONFERENCE/SEMINAR/
TRAINING/WORKSHOP/CELEBRATION

National Conference on Academic
Publishing, Libraries and Artificial Intel-
ligence (MILAN-APLAI 2024)

National Conference on Academic Publishing, Libraries and Artificial Intelligence (MILAN-APLAI 2024), organized by MILAN (Mysore University Information and Library Science Alumni Network) and Dept. of Studies in Library and Information Science, University of Mysore, Mysuru, will be held on June 21- 22, 2024 at Vijnan Bhavan, Manasagangotri, University of Mysore, Karnataka. The goal of the National Conference on Academic Publishing, Libraries, and Artificial Intelligence (AI) is likely to provide a platform for scholars, researchers, librarians, and professionals from various fields to come together and discuss the latest advancements, challenges, and opportunities in the intersection of academic publishing, libraries, and AI. Overall, the conference aims to create a dynamic and collaborative environment where stakeholders can engage in meaningful discussions, share insights, and contribute to the continued evolution of academic publishing and library practices in the era of artificial intelligence.

Call for Papers and Participation

All interested individuals and organizations are invited to join this endeavor to shape the future of academic publishing and advance the profession's readiness to embrace the opportunities and challenges presented by AI.

Important Dates

Last Date for submission of paper: 30th April 2024
Notification of acceptance of paper: 31st May 2024

Conference Publication

1. All papers submitted will be subject to a blind peer review process with a plagiarism (Turnitin) check. The accepted papers will be pub-

lished in the Conference Volume that will be brought out and released during the inauguration of the conference on June 21, 2024

2. Select papers will be published also in one of the issues of the **Journal of Information and Knowledge** by the SRELS (Sarada Ranganathan Endowment for Library Science)

Conference Highlights: Thematic Sessions/ Key-note Addresses / Panel Discussions / Networking Opportunities / Publication Opportunities / Best Paper Award / Best Presentation Award

Registration Link:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe7HevMOSYUpzV5gfXysduhDaHGGR09xvqxh2CJ4-qC2JFYPw/viewform?pli=1>

PLANNER: A National Convention for North Eastern Region

12th Convention PLANNER 2024 is being organized by INFLIBNET Centre, Gandhinagar at Rajiv Gandhi University, Arunachal Pradesh from September 19-21, 2024.

About the Conference

Promotion of Library Automation and Networking in North-Eastern Region (PLANNER) is a bi-annual convention with a special focus to uplift academic libraries in the North-Eastern region, India in the aspect of library automation and networking. The event is organized by INFLIBNET Centre along with the universities located in the respective North-Eastern States. PLANNER 2024 is being organized by INFLIBNET Centre in collaboration with Rajiv Gandhi University, Itanagar, Arunachal Pradesh during September 19-21, 2024 at Rajiv Gandhi University, Itanagar, Arunachal Pradesh.

The objective of the convention is to address the modern tools and techniques that have manifested in the form of ICT applications which had made an impact in today's library management and services. It is evident that these disruptive innovations relentlessly moves up the preferred to-do list for librarians in view of their inherent characteristics of being readily adopted, adapted and evolving into new scenarios eventually displacing established procedures and techniques. In the entire process, while issues and challenges are visible, solutions too are expected as an out-

come of the deliberations. It is also envisaged that the convention will not only further promote library automation and networking in North-Eastern states of India but will be an opportunity for the LIS professionals of North-Eastern states of India along with other participants to address the aforesaid issues and acquire new skills and techniques, in the process.

Theme: Libraries in AI Era: Applications and Perspectives

Sub-Theme:

- AI and Libraries
 - o Open Science and AI
 - o Generative AI
 - o Ethical use of AI in Scholarly Communication
 - o Machine Learning and Knowledge Discovery
 - o Data Analytic and Text Mining
- Role of Libraries for Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)
 - o Community Engagement and Outreach
 - o Automated / Assisted Data Management
 - o Training, Innovation, and Infrastructure
 - o Best Practices and Case Studies
- Indigenous Knowledge and Libraries
 - o Knowledge / Data Repositories
 - o Persistent Identifiers for Repositories

Paper Submission

The full-text paper must be submitted electronically, as a .DOCX or .ODT file, and uploaded on <http://planner.inflibnet.ac.in/submission/>. The submission should be typed in Times New Roman Font size 12 and single-spaced in A4 size. The length of the Full-text Paper should not be more than 3500 words. **The research data generated while conducting research and used to derive results have to be supplied mandatorily at the time of submission. Accompanying material such as study description, data description, questionnaire and other supporting documents may be uploaded under 'Upload Dataset' in a single zip file.** A paper should contain an abstract, keywords, and references properly cited within the text of the article as per APA 7th Edition referencing style. The submission will be sent for blind review and therefore, **the manuscript should not contain the author's full name, and affiliations along with an email of author(s), author biography or any other identification**

of the author/institute. The paper submitted should be an unpublished document in any media and of any format. While the copyright for the paper would belong to the author, PLANNER 2024 organisers reserve the right to host a copy of the papers in its institutional repository in open access. The authors of the accepted Papers will have to register for the Convention and present their papers during technical sessions.

Important Dates:

Convention Date: Sept 19-21, 2024

Paper Submission: April 30, 2024

Paper Acceptance: June 15, 2024

Convention Registration: August 31, 2024

More details are available at: <https://planner.inflibnet.ac.in/index.php>

UNESCO Guidelines for the Governance of Digital Platforms

UNESCO has released its Guidelines for the Governance of Digital Platforms, the result of a year's work involving a wide variety of stakeholders, including the Internet4Trust conference in February which attracted over 4000 participants. The final version of UNESCO's guidelines on how digital platforms – and in particular social media – should work offers helpful affirmation of the importance of access to information, skills, and libraries. It also provides a framework for us to engage in wider debates about information regulation. At the heart of the Guidelines there are a set of five principles. These are:

1. Platforms should conduct human rights due diligence – this should take place in general and before any major changes, and incorporate a full variety of perspectives.
2. Platforms should adhere to international human rights standards, including in platform design, content moderation and content curation – this should involve non-discrimination by design, moderation in local languages (as well as support for moderators, who otherwise can have a terrible job), a variety of responses to harmful content, auditing processes, avoiding promoting content that would generally be seen as illegal.
3. Platforms should be transparent – crucial to achieving the above is transparency, both

in terms of setting out terms of service, and showing clearly how platforms comply with them. This covers everything from moderation, advertising, complaints and appeals, safeguards for freedom of expression, and ensuring access to data for researchers, civil society and media

4. Platforms should make information and tools available for users – this refers to ensuring that users understand processes and their rights, in particular in their own language.
5. Platforms should be accountable to relevant stakeholders – there should be effective complaints mechanisms that take account of local needs.

To know more please visit: <https://www.ifla.org/news/unesco-guidelines-for-the-governance-of-digital-platforms/>

JSTOR, MIT Press Illustrate the Positive Impact of Open Access in Recent Reports

JSTOR's Path to Open pilot project and MIT Press's Direct to Open (D2O) program are both demonstrating that open access (OA) monographs are receiving significantly more use and are cited more often than non-open counterparts, according to a recent JSTOR webcast and an impact report released last week by MIT Press. JSTOR reports that ebooks that have been converted to OA via the Path to Open pilot have seen usage surge by an average of 5,500 percent on JSTOR.

Rebecca Seger, VP institutional participation and strategic partnership for JSTOR, noted during the webcast, "Continuing the Journey on a Path to Open: An Innovative Model for Open Access Monograph Publishing," that JSTOR has more than 125,000 licensed ebooks on its platform, but its 11,000 OA ebooks account for 45 percent of total ebook usage. Similarly, non-OA monographs sell to an average of 14 countries, while JSTOR's OA monographs are used in 134 countries. "It is phenomenal reach," she said.

Launched in January 2023, the Path to Open pilot model is funded by annual subscription fees from participating institutions. These fees are then redistributed to more than 40 participating university presses at \$5,000 per OA title. Currently,

titles for the pilot are selected using criteria established based on titles in JSTOR disciplines that have the highest-licensed open and converted-to-open usage, and 71 percent of all titles in the project match the top 26 recommended JSTOR disciplines, according to the webcast.

During a three-year embargo period, participating institutions have exclusive OA access to these titles, while non-participating institutions can continue to pay for the monographs. At the end of the three-year embargo, converted titles become OA for everyone, and can be published on any platform in addition to JSTOR. One hundred Path to Open titles were published in 2023, and JSTOR plans to have at least 1,000 frontlist titles published over the course of the pilot, which will conclude in 2026.

Separately, MIT Press reports that, on average, its OA humanities and social sciences (HSS) titles are accessed 3.75 times more often and receive 21 percent more citations than their paywalled counterparts, while OA titles in science, technology, engineering, art/design, and mathematics (STEAM) are used 2.67 times more often and receive 15 percent more citations than paywalled counterparts.

Launched in 2021 following two years of development, MIT's D2O program each year makes 80 to 90 MIT Press scholarly monographs and edited collections open access. In its first three years, the program has funded 240 books, including 159 HSS titles and 81 STEAM titles. Funding for the program is provided by recurring fees from participating institutions. Participating libraries also receive term access to about 2,500 backlist/archive titles that would otherwise be paywalled, and substantial discounts on MIT Press's trade books collection. Participation fees are scaled to a library's size, type, and collections budget.

"Open access is very important in my field of anthropology," Elizabeth Carpenter-Song, research associate professor in the department of anthropology at Dartmouth College and author of *Families on the Edge: Experiences of Homelessness and Care in Rural New England*, said in MIT's impact report. "Our work often speaks to issues that are relevant to non-specialists and open access helps to build bridges to other fields and audiences. The

D2O version of my book has enabled me to reach colleagues in anthropology, as well as clinical and social services and community stakeholders who have used the book to inform their understanding of regional housing issues. I firmly believe that the open access option has allowed the book to be much more broadly disseminated and used." JSTOR's one-hour Path to Open webcast, hosted by LJ, is free and available on demand. In addition to an overview of the program from Seger and JSTOR VP of Published Content John Lenahan, it includes presentations by Jennie Collinson, director of sales and marketing, Liverpool University Press; Mary Dougherty, director, University of Massachusetts Press; Kate McCready, visiting program officer for academy-owned scholarly publishing, Big Ten Academic Alliance; Sarah McKee, project manager, amplifying humanistic scholarship, American Council of Learned Societies; and Tony Sanfilippo, director, Ohio State University Press.

"We see [Path to Open] as the road to creating a sustainable model for open monographs," Seger said. "It is really more of a marathon than a sprint, and we're still at the beginning of the race."

[Source:<https://www.libraryjournal.com/story/news/jstor-mit-press-illustrate-the-positive-impact-of-open-access-in-recent-reports>.] By Matthew Enis, Senior Editor, *Technology for Library Journal*.

MISCELLANEOUS NEWS

The UGC's INFLIBNET Centre launched SheRNI to Connect Indian Women Scientists, promote collaboration, and recognize their contributions.

SheRNI, the She Research Network in India, is a platform dedicated to connecting and harnessing the knowledge, skills, and expertise of women across different sectors in India. It focuses on empowering women by facilitating collaboration, mentorship, and knowledge-sharing opportunities.

She Research Network in India (SheRNI) is the expert profile network system that connects and leverages the knowledge, skills, and expertise of

women across various fields in India. This system aims to empower women by providing opportunities for collaboration, mentorship, and knowledge-sharing. The objectives of this project are to create a national-level expert profile system for women faculty members and facilitate the exchange of expertise, insights, and experiences among women experts in diverse fields.

The system supports the women scientists/faculty members to build a strong professional network that fosters collaboration, mentorship, and career advancement opportunities. The SheRNI expert network system serves as a dynamic platform for women professionals to connect, collaborate, and empower each other, ultimately contributing to the advancement of women in various fields.

Punjab CM Bhagwant Mann gifts Sangrur 14 new libraries



Continuing his spree to set up state-of-the-art libraries in the state, the Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann on Thursday inaugurated 14 new ultra modern libraries constructed at a cost of 14.62 crore in the Sangrur district. The Chief Minister said these libraries will act as a harbinger of growth and prosperity in the state adding that this path breaking initiative is aimed at inculcating reading habits amongst the youth of the state. He said that this step will go a long

way in empowering the youth and making them an equal partner in the social-economic development of the state. "These will transform the destiny of the youth and produce bureaucrats, scientists, doctors, technocrats and others," said Mann. The Chief Minister said that these libraries are equipped with ultra modern facilities such as air conditioners, Invertors, CCTV cameras, Wifi and others to ensure that they act as a paradise for book lovers.

CM Mann said that these libraries have a collection of very rare and precious books. "Our aim is to ensure that the youth excel in every field." [Source: *The Indian Express*, May, 26, 2024]

SOME OF THE PUBLICATIONS of IASLIC

Conference / Seminar Proceedings

1. Library and Information Centres in Digital India : Present Scenario and Future Strategies; IASLIC 29th National Seminar 2022, NEHU Shillong.	₹ 490
2. Future of Library and Information (L) Profession in India IASLIC 32nd All India Conference 2019, CUSAT, Kochi	₹ 490
3. LIS Education in India : Current Scenario and Future Strategies; IASLIC 28th National Seminar 2018, Visva Bharati, West Bengal	₹ 490
4. Public Libraries in India in 21st Century; IASLIC 31st All India Conference 2017, Varanasi, Uttarpradesh	₹ 490
5. Social Networking and Libraries; IASLIC 27th National Seminar 2016, Raipur, Chhattisgarh	₹ 490
6. Library Legislation and Community Information Services; IASLIC 30th All India Conference 2015, Ahmedabad	₹ 490
7. Roadmap to Usher in Knowledge Society; IASLIC 26th National Seminar 2014, Guwahati, Assam	₹ 490
8. Role of Library Associations in India; IASLIC 29th All India Conference 2013, Pune, Maharashtra	₹ 490
9. Intellectual Property Rights: Problems & Prospects with Special Reference to Library & Information Services; IASLIC 25th National Seminar 2012, Puducherry	₹ 490
10. Library Vision 2020; IASLIC 28th All India Conference, 2011, Srirangar	₹ 490
11. Reading Habits in Changing Scenario & LIS Education : Emerging Paradigm, Challenges and Vision; IASLIC 24th National Seminar 2010, Gorakhpur	₹ 490
12. Library / Information users in Digital Era; IASLIC XXVII All India Conference 2009, Bhubaneswar	₹ 800
13. Library / Profession in Search of a new Paradigm; IASLIC XXIII National Seminar 2008, Kolkata	₹ 1200
14. Digital Media and Library Information Services; IASLIC XXVI All India Conference 2007, New Delhi	₹ 1200
15. Open Source Movement-Asian Perspective; IASLIC XXII National Seminar 2006, Roorkee	₹ 1000
16. LIS Profession in India : Vision for 2010; IASLIC 25th All India Conference 2005, Chennai	₹ 1000
17. Information Support for Rural Development; IASLIC 21st National Seminar 2004, Kolkata	₹ 1000
18. Knowledge Management in Special Libraries in Digital Environment; IASLIC 24th All India Conference 2003, Dehradun	₹ 800

BOOKS

1. Indian Library Science Abstracts (ILSA), 2011-2015, Edited by Dr. Nitai Ray Choudhury	₹ 2500
2. Sixty One Years of 'IASLIC Bulletin': A cumulative Index. Edited by Prof Arjun Das Gupta	₹ 280
3. Dynamics of Planning & Marketing of Modern Libraries and Information Centres in an Information Technology-based Environment by S. Saeetharama	₹ 480
4. Indian National Library : Yesterday-Today-Tomorrow by J N Satpathi and P N Venkatachary	₹ 300
5. LIS Profession in the Changing Environment: Prof Prabir Roychowdhury Memorial Volume. Edited by Prof. Arjun Dasgupta	₹ 400

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