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Quote of the Month

Degree is just
a piece of paper,
You real education
is seen in
Your Behaviour

-by A P J Abdul Kalam

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TRIENNIAL ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS AND MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE IASLIC FOR 2026 -2028

Ref. No. : Election/2026-2028/575

Date: 25/08/2025

Esteemed Members,

I am pleased to inform you that the Triennial Election of **Office Bearers and Members of the Governing Body of the IASLIC** for 2026 - 2028 will be held as per Notice date 25/08/2025.

Please find below Notice No. Election/2026 - 2028/574 Dated: 25/08/2025.

Invitation of Nomination from valid Members are being sought as per Notice date 25/08/2025.

The details of the Posts and Nomination Papers will be available in the IASLIC website on and from 27/9/2025.

Sd/-

Abhijit Kumar Bhowmick
(Election Officer)

IASLIC Triennial Election – 2026-2028


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NOTICE

Ref No. : Election/2026-2028/574

Date: 25/08/2025

SUBJECT: TRIENNIAL ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS AND MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE IASLIC FOR 2026-2028

Members of IASLIC desirous of contesting in the ensuing election for the term 2026-2028 may please submit the nomination form duly proposed by a valid member with the consent of the candidate, to the registered office of IASLIC at Kolkata by name Mr. Abhijit Kumar Bhowmick, Election Officer to reach on or before 8 p.m. of 13th November, 2025. The IASLIC office remains open from 3 pm to 8 pm on all working days.

It may kindly be noted that "All valid Institutional and Individual Members of the Association whose names are in the membership register of the Association before 1st January of the election year and who have paid their annual subscription by 30th June of the election year are eligible to propose, stand and vote in the election to any elective office of the Association as per clause IX and X of the Regulations of the Association." -- Clause XVII (a). List of valid members (as per clause xvii (a)) is available in the IASLIC's website (www.iaslic1955.org.in). Vacancy position of different posts is enclosed.

 Kolkata - 700054
Dated 25.08.2025

 Abhijit Kumar Bhowmick
(Election Officer)

IASLIC Triennial Election - 2026-2028


**PROGRAM SCHEDULE
IASLIC Triennial Election (2026 - 2028)**

The Triennial Election (2026 - 2028) of IASLIC will be held as per programme scheduled below:

- 1) Publication of Voters' List: 09-09-2025
- 2) Nomination Forms will be dispatched to the members by 27-09-2025
- 3) Last date of receipt of Nomination Form at IASLIC Office by 13-11-2025
- 4) Scrutiny of Nomination Forms on 14-11-2025 at 7 PM
- 5) Declaration of valid Nominations (before withdrawal) on 14-11-2025 at 7 PM
- 6) Last date of withdrawal of Nominations: 20-11-2025
- 7) Declaration of valid Nominations (after withdrawal) on 22-11-2025 at 7 PM
- 8) Ballot Papers will be dispatched to the members by 27-11-2025
- 9) Last date of receiving ballot papers: 29-12-2025
- 10) Counting of ballot papers: 30-12-2025
- 11) Declaration of election results: 06-01-2026

 Abhijit Kumar Bhowmick
(Election Officer)
Date: 25/08/2025

IASLIC TRIENNIAL ELECTION 2026-2028

As resolved and authorized by the Executive Committee of IASLIC, I, Abhijit Kumar Bhowmick as Election Officer announce the numbers and names of posts to be filled up through election as follows:

OFFICE BEARERS

Sl No.	Category	No. of Post(s)	Zone
1	PRESIDENT	One	No zone restriction
2	VICE PRESIDENT	Six	One from each of the six zones
3	GENERAL SECRETARY	One	From zone six only
4	TREASURER	One	From zone six only
5	JOINT SECRETARY	Three	From zone six only
6	LIBRARIAN	One	From zone six only

The total number of Office Bearers posts is 13 (Thirteen).

GOVERNING BODY

Individual Governing Body members of zone one to zone six:

(6 from zone six and 3 each from other five zones) Number of seats: 21 (Twenty One)

ZONE	SEATS
Zone 1	Three seats.
Zone 2	Three seats.
Zone 3	Three seats.
Zone 4	Three seats.
Zone 5	Three seats.
Zone 6	Six seats.

- a) Individual Governing Body members from all zones (Open Zone):
(No zone restriction) Number of seats: 20 (Twenty)
- b) Institutional Governing Body members from zone one to zone six:
(One from each six Zones) Number of seats: 06 (Six)

Total Seats of Governing Body

Office-Bearers of the Association = 13 (Thirteen) seats.
Individual Governing Body members of zone one to zone six = 21 (Twenty one) seats.
Individual Governing Body members from all zones (Open Zone) = 20 (Twenty) seats.
Institutional Governing Body members of zone one to zone six = 6 (Six) seats.
Total: = 60 (Sixty) seats.


ZONES

- Zone 1: Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, Puducherry, Lakshadweep
- Zone 2: Maharashtra, Gujarat, Rajasthan, Goa, Daman & Diu, Dadra, Nagar Haveli
- Zone 3: Madhya Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Chattisgarh, Uttarakhand, Jharkhand
- Zone 4: Delhi, Punjab, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Chandigarh
- Zone 5: Assam, Meghalaya, Nagaland, Arunachal Pradesh, Sikkim, Tripura, Manipur, Mizoram, Andaman & Nicobar, Odisha
- Zone 6: West Bengal

Eligibility for Candidates / Voters

Sl. No.	Post	No. of Post	Zone Restriction	Who can be Candidate	Who can vote
1	President	1	no zone restriction	Any valid member of any zone	Any valid member of all zones
2	Vice-Presidents	6	one from each of the six zones	Valid members of the concerned zones	valid members of all Zones
3	General Secretary	1	Zone-6 only	valid members from Zone 6 only	valid members of all Zones
4	Joint Secretary	3	Zone-6 only	valid members from Zone 6 only	valid members of all Zones
5	Treasurer	1	Zone-6 only	valid members from Zone 6 only	valid members of all Zones
6	Librarian	1	Zone-6 only	valid members from Zone 6 only	valid members of all Zones
7	Individual Governing Body members of Zone-1 to Zone-6	21	three from each of Zone 1 to 5 and six from Zone 6	Valid members of concerned Zones	valid members of all Zones
8	Individual Governing Body Members of all Zones	20	no zone restriction (open zone)	Valid institutional members of all Zones.	valid members of all Zones
9	Individual Governing Body Members of Zone-1 to Zone-6	6	One from each Zone	Valid institutional members of the concerned zone. The candidate should be the Head of the concerned institution for contesting in the post of any Office Bearer	
TOTAL		60			

 (Abhijit Kumar Bhowmick)
Election Officer


Announcement

IASLIC Foundation Day will be celebrated on 3rd September 2025 (Wednesday) at IASLIC Office

Foundation Day Lecture will be delivered by Dr Jyoti Prakash Mitra, Former Librarian, Ali Yavar Jung National Institute of Speech and Hearing Disabilities (Formerly National Institute of Hearing Handicapped), Regional Centre, Kolkata.

He will speak on "NIHH Library: Experiences as a Librarian"

Date & Time:- 3rd September, 2025 at 5 pm.

You are cordially invited.

Thanks and regards,
ABHIJIT KUMAR
Hony. General Secretary
IASLIC

Announcement of 366th Study Circle Meeting of IASLIC

The 366th Study Circle Meeting of IASLIC will be held on 18th September, 2025 (Thursday) at 6:00 pm in the Meeting Room of IASLIC which is situated at P-291, CIT Scheme 6M, Kankurgachhi, Kolkata - 700054. The topic of discussion of the abovementioned study circle meeting will be as follows:- " Research Methodology : Use of Library (Expectation and Possibilities)". Dr. Sk. Makbul Islam, Associate Professor in Bengali, St. Paul's Cathedral Mission College, Kolkata, will be the speaker of the above-mentioned study circle meeting. Dr. Sk. Makbul Islam is a D. Litt. from Utkal University, Bhubaneswar and he is a renowned research scholar. He is the winner of 'Nabakalebar Award' and the award was received from Sankaracharya of Puri. Dr. Asitabha Das, Former Librarian, University of Kalyani, Nadia, WB, will be the Chairman of the session. The speaker is very much interested regarding the Library, Library Science and Librarianship Profession. There will be a vivid discussion regarding various aspects of 'Research Methodology'. All the librarians, information professionals, students, teachers, research scholars, library lovers and other interested persons are hereby earnestly requested to attend the above mentioned study circle meeting along with their friends, colleagues and other fellow members. All are Welcome.

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

Report about the 365th Study Circle Meeting of IASLIC

The 365th Study Circle Meeting of IASLIC was held on 21st August, 2025 (Thursday) at 6.00 pm in the Department of Library and Information Science, Jadavpur University, Kolkata - 700032. The speaker of the above-mentioned Study Circle Meeting was Dr. Shirsendu Mukherjee, Associate Professor in Economics, St. Paul's Cathedral Mission College, Kolkata. The Chairman of the meeting was Prof. Udayan Bhattacharyya, Department of Library and Information Science, Jadavpur University, Kolkata - 700 032. The Topic of the discussion at the said meeting was "Economics of Information ". At the beginning, Dr. Tridib Chattopadhyay, Convenor of the Study Circle Division, IASLIC, welcomed all the dignitaries, guests and audience. Thereafter Dr. Chattopadhyay introduced the Speaker and the Chairman of the session. Prof. Udayan Bhattacharyya has given an overview of the issues regarding the economic aspects of 'Information'. After that the speaker Dr. Shirsendu Mukherjee started the session and delivered his lecture on the particular issue. Dr. Mukherjee has discussed an overview regarding the economic aspects of 'Information' in a pinpointed manner. He has also described the issues related to the various aspects of information from the point of views of Economics. Dr. Mukherjee has described different types of problems regarding the demand, supply and price of 'Information'. He has also described the prospects and importance of information from the point of view of Economics. He has cited some examples of the application of economics on information considering the demand, supply and price of 'Information'. He has also described the topic with examples from the point of view of insurance policies. After that the Chairman of the session Prof. Udayan Bhattacharyya has briefly described the entire discussion. The students, teachers and research scholars have taken part in the discussion. Dr. Shirsendu Mukherjee has stated that he is encouraged by the librarians and he is very much interested in the library, library science and librarianship. The vote of thanks was delivered by Mr. Abhijit Kumar, General Secretary of IASLIC. Then, Dr Tridib Chattopadhyay, Convenor of the Study Circle Division of IASLIC has thanked all the dignitaries, guests and the audience regarding their active participation and involvement. The meeting ended with thanks to the Chair.

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

Institutional Members for the year 2025

S No.	Name of the Institute	Membership No.
1.	Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh	0055 – I[Z 3]
2.	Bishop Heber College, Tiruchirappalli, Tamil Nadu	0079 – I[Z 1]
3.	C H Mohammed Koya Library, University of Calicut, Malappuram	0086 – I[Z 1]
4.	Central Glass and Ceramic Research Institute, Kolkata, West Bengal	0092 – I[Z 6]
5.	Central Leather Research Institute, Chennai, Tamil Nadu	0102 – I[Z 1]
6.	Central Institute of Indian Languages, Mysore, Karnataka	2797 – I[Z 1]
7.	Central Manufacturing Technology Institute, Bangalore, Karnataka	0109 – I[Z 1]
8.	Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Kolkata, West Bengal	0127 – I[Z 6]
9.	Dhemaji College, Dhemaji, Assam	4029 - I[Z 5]
10.	Dravidian University, Sreenivasavanam, Andhra Pradesh	4019 – I[Z 1]
11.	Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar, Punjab	0062 – I[Z 4]
12.	Heritage Institute of Technology, Kolkata, West Bengal	2877 – I[Z 6]
13.	Highways Research Station, Chennai	0194 – I[Z 1]
14.	India International Centre, New Delhi	
15.	Indian Institute of Astrophysics, Bangalore, Karnataka	0216 – I[Z 1]
16.	Indian Institute of Forest Management, Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh	9220 – I[Z 3]
17.	Indian Institute of Management Calcutta	0219 – I[Z 6]
18.	Indian Statistical Institute, Kolkata, West Bengal	0239 – I[Z 6]
19.	Institute of Advanced Study in Science and Technology, Guwahati	0252 – I[Z 5]
20.	Institute of Development Studies Kolkata, West Bengal	0172 – I[Z 6]
21.	Kannur University, Kannur	4020 – I[Z 1]
22.	Karnataka State Open University, Mysuru, Karnataka	4057 – I[Z 1]
23.	Karnataka University Library, Dharwad, Karnataka	0285 – I[Z 1]
24.	Kerala Agricultural University, Thrissur, Kerala	0286 – I[Z 1]
25.	Kerala University Library, Thiruvananthapuram	0479 – I[Z 1]
26.	Kuvempu University, Shankaraghatta	0291 – I[Z 1]
27.	Lal Bahadur Shastri National Academy of Administration, Mussoorie	0293 – I[Z 3]
28.	Maharaja Ganga Singh University, Bikaner, Rajasthan	3821 – I[Z 2]
29.	Maharshi Dayanand University, Rohtak, Haryana	
30.	National Institute of Technology, Tiruchirappalli	0412 – I[Z 1]
31.	National Institute of Technology Karnataka, Surathkal, Mangaluru	
32.	North Gujarat University, Patan, Gujarat	0376 – I[Z 2]
33.	North Eastern Council Secretariat, Shillong, Meghalaya	0371 – I[Z 5]
34.	PSG Institute of Medical Sciences and Research, , Coimbatore	1911 – I[Z 1]
35.	Pt. Ravishankar Shukla University, Raipur, Chhattisgarh	0411 – I[Z 3]
36.	Pravabati College, Mayang Imphal, Manipur	4025 – I[Z 5]
37.	Prime Ministers Museum & Library, New Delhi	0368 – I[Z 4]
38.	Rabindra Bharati University, Kolkata, West Bengal	0404 – I[Z 6]
39.	Raja Ramanna Centre for Advanced Technology, Indore	0125 – I[Z 3]
40.	Raja Rammohun Roy Library Foundation, Kolkata, West Bengal	0407 – [Z 6]
41.	Ramananda College, Bishnupur, West Bengal	4034 – I[Z 6]
42.	Ramkrishna Mission Institute of Culture, Kolkata, West Bengal	2793 – I[Z 6]
43.	Regional Institute of Education, Mysore, Karnataka	0413 – I[Z 1]
44.	Reserve Bank of India Library, Mumbai, Maharashtra	3832 – I[Z 2]
45.	S R University, Hanumakonda, Telangana	
46.	Seth R C S Arts & Commerce College, Durg, Chhattisgarh	2787 – I[Z 3]
47.	Shimurali Sachinandan College of Education, Shimurali, West Bengal	
48.	Space Applications Centre, ISRO, Ahmedabad, Gujarat	0443 – I[Z 2]
49.	Sri Venkateswara University, Tirupati, Andhra Pradesh	0448 – I[Z 1]
50.	Tata Institute of Fundamental Research, Mumbai, Maharashtra	0463 – I[Z 2]
51.	Theology Library, Serampore College, West Bengal	2452 – I[Z 6]
52.	Tuljaram Chaturchand College of Arts, Science & Commerce, Baramati	0473 – I[Z 2]
53.	Sukanta Mahavidyalaya, Dhupguri, West Bengal	0456 – I[Z 6]
54.	United Theological College, Bangalore, Karnataka	0476 – I[Z 1]
55.	University of North Bengal, Raja Rammohanpur, West Bengal	0481 – I[Z 6]
56.	Vasantdada Sugar Institute, Pune, Maharashtra	0489 – I[Z 2]
57.	Visva-Bharati, Shantiniketan, West Bengal	0105 – I[Z 6]
58.	Women's College, Calcutta	4037 – I[Z 6]

IASLIC 34th All India Conference 2025

It gives us immense pleasure to inform you that the Indian Association of Special Libraries and Information Centres (IASLIC) is organizing "IASLIC 34TH ALL INDIA CONFERENCE 2025 ". **Join us on 5th to 7th January 2026, at the Department of Library & Information Science, Karnataka State Akkamahadevi Women University, Vijayapura, Karnataka, India.**

Conference Title	IASLIC 34 th All India Conference 2025
Conference Dates	5 th to 7 th of January 2026
Venue	Department of Library & Information Science, Karnataka State Akkamahadevi Women University, Vijayapura, Karnataka, India, PIN-586108 .
Organising Secretary	Prof. P G Tadasad, Senior Professor and Chairman, Department of Library & Information Science, Karnataka State Akkamahadevi Women University, Vijayapura, Karnataka
Director of Thematic Session	Prof. K. P. Vijaykumar, Former Professor, Department of Library & Information Science, University of Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala
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CALL for PAPERS "Library Vision 2047"

India aims to debut herself as a developed nation by its centennial anniversary of independence in 2047

encompassing overall growth through sustainable societal advancement with knowledge economy and effective governance. Transformative education with a modern approach has been brought intending to move towards a better knowledge society reforming the future teaching-learning endeavour by implementing NEP2020. It needs transformation of libraries and information systems onto a balanced modern resource management sector enabling marginal poor, youths, women empower. LIS professionals face both tremendous opportunities and challenges to address such transformation. On the one hand, it facilitates global collaboration, improves accessibility, incorporates cutting-edge technologies, and enables customising user experiences. On the other side, issues like digital divide, infrastructure constraints, information overload, data security, and the requirement of specialised skills are major hindrances. LIS professionals must prioritise user education and digital literacy, work with international networks, invest in strong digital infrastructures, and concentrate on ongoing professional development training programs. Libraries must also address issues with intellectual property, digital preservation, and legal compliance. Overcoming these obstacles, libraries would be able to fulfil their role as emerged knowledge centres and contribute in making India a truly developed nation by 2047. Libraries can make a substantial contribution to the goal of bringing out our country a knowledge-driven, digitally inclusive nation. Keeping the above in considerations, IASLIC has selected 'Library Vision 2047' as the main theme of its 34th All India Conference 2025 expecting the LIS professionals to delve upon ongoing important issues of opportunities and challenges that would result with fruitful outcomes and guidelines out of the deliberations and discussions. There will be deliberations on two other Special Interest Groups (SIGs) themes at the meetings of SIG01 (Social Science Information): Community Empowerment and Libraries and SIG02 (Computer Applications in Libraries): Innovative Library Services in Digital Age during the conference. Research Papers are invited on the following areas of the main theme of the Conference and the themes of SIG Meetings for deliberation during the conference.

Main Theme: Library Vision 2047

1 Developing New Age Libraries: operations and services

- 11 Innovative Library Services for Library Vision 2047
- 12 Planning and Designing Future ready libraries
- 13 Managing Resources and Services
- 14 Case Studies of Innovative Library Initiatives

2 Tools and Technologies

- 21 Collection and Digital Content Management Tools
- 22 Sustainable library development, Governance models
- 23 Blockchain Technologies for Digital Rights Management
- 24 Cyber Security and Data Privacy in the New Age

3 Digital library and Smart Library:

- 31 Exploring the Benefits for library professional
- 32 IoT-enabled services in smart libraries
- 33 Capacity building for library professionals
- 34 Virtual Reality (VR) and Augmented Reality (AR)

4 Cloud based library systems and AI based service

- 41 Artificial intelligence and machine learning
- 42 Library Search Systems with AI and NLP
- 43 Expert Systems in Knowledge Management
- 44 Ethical considerations in AI based research and applications in libraries

5 Library Vision 2047 vis-a-vis NEP 2020

- 51 Reviewing and Recasting of LIS Curricula for community-focused librarianship
- 52 LIS curriculum, Library ethics and social responsibility
- 53 Digital Literacy Requirements for Library Professionals
- 54 Upskilling and Reskilling of LI Professionals

Special Interest Groups (SIGs) Meetings

SIG 01: Social Science Information

Theme: Community Empowerment and Libraries

- A. Libraries as Hubs for lifelong learning in community development
- B. Role of libraries in safeguarding cultural heritage and Indigenous knowledge
- C. Information literacy programs for social empowerment
- D. Enhancing library outreach for community empowerment
- E. One Nation One Library Legislation

SIG 02: Computer Applications in Libraries

Theme: Innovative Library Services in Digital Age

- I. Future of libraries: evolving in the digital landscape
- II. Innovative technologies and services in libraries
- III. Next-Generation Integrated Library Systems (ILS)
- IV. Leveraging cloud computing for enhanced library services
- V. Ethical considerations in AI applications for libraries

Important Information

Dates of Conference: January 5-7, 2026

Last date of Submission of Full Paper: September 15, 2025

Letter intimating acceptance by: October 15, 2025

Softcopy of the full paper composed in word format (.doc/.docx) should be submitted as an attachment through e-mail to iaslic.sem@gmail.com

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Report on Librarians' Day observation at IASLIC, Kolkata

12th August 2025 was duly observed at IASLIC, Kolkata to commemorate 133rd birth anniversary of Dr. Shiyali Ramamrita Ranganathan. As the auspicious day was celebrated throughout the country as Librarian's Day, the Library division of IASLIC organized garlanding of the portrait of Dr. Ranganathan for paying homage and tribute to the father of Library Science in India. The programme was attended by the teachers, senior librarians, library professionals, budding library professionals and students. Welcoming the audience, Sri Abhijit Kumar, General Secretary of IASLIC remembered the contributions of Dr. S.R. Ranganathan, National Professor of Library Science. He recalled the commencement of the Librarians' Day observation in 1990 following a decision at JOCLAI Meeting held at IASLIC Conference held at Jaipur in 1989. He welcomed Shri Jagamohan Das the senior most member of the EC of IASLIC to preside over the meeting. A befitting tribute was paid by garlanding of the portrait of Dr. Ranganathan and lighting of the lamp ceremony. Shri Jagamohan Das motivated the audience by highlighting the magnitude of dedication and diligence of Dr. Ranganathan towards the Library profession. Professor Krishnapada Majumdar, Former Prabir Roychoudhury Chair Ex-Professor, Dept. of Library and Information Sc., Jadavpur University and Editor, Indian Library Science Abstracts enlightened the audience by reiterating the fact that Dr. Ranganathan was also the father of Library Movement in India and the zeal of the movement should thrive forever. Professor Pijushkanti Panigrahi paid homage to the great personality by highlighting Dr. Ranganathan's service towards the society and he urged the Library Associations like IASLIC, BLA, ILA and others in the country for submitting a collective petition to the Minister of Culture for marking and observing 12th August as the day of National Importance in India. Prof. Panigrahi also wished that the zealous spirit of the auspicious day to be reflected in the work culture of the library professionals in their everyday life. Shri Pradip Sarkar, Treasurer of IASLIC remembered the great achievements of Dr. Ranganathan and conveyed his warm wishes to everyone. The joint secretaries of IASLIC Dr. Banasree Roy and Smt. Moumita Ash in their respective speeches stressed the importance of carrying forward the rich legacy which Dr. Ranganathan left behind and continue with the library movement started with him. Dr. Joydeep Chanda, Secretary BLA, welcome everyone to the Librarians' Day Programme which will be held on 17th August, 2025 at Vidyasagar University in collaboration with IASLIC, BLA and WBPlea. Smt. Sanjukta Roy, honorary Librarian of IASLIC delivered her vote of thanks to the august gathering on behalf of the Library Division. She specially expressed her gratitude to Professor Narendra Lahkar, President, IASLIC who had conveyed his best wishes for the success of the programme in advance. She also thanked the office staff of IASLIC for their assistance and collective effort to make the programme happen.

National Librarian's Day celebration by lisforum

On the occasion of 133rd birth anniversary of Padma Shri Dr S R Ranganathan, **the lisforum, Odisha**, a web-based forum of Library & Information science teachers, professionals, research scholars and students celebrated the National Librarian's Day on 12 August 2025 at 7.00 PM through virtual mode. The program started with a welcome and introductory speech by the founder and chief moderator of the forum, Dr. Sunil Kumar Satpathy. Dr S R Kolle, Librarian, Central Tribal University of Andhra Pradesh & Guest of Honour, highlighted the changing landscape of libraries in digital era and future prospective of application of Artificial Intelligence in libraries. Madam Anuja Tarini Mishra, OAS, OLL & C Department and OSD, HKM State Library, Bhubaneswar was present and spoke in the program. Dr. Narayan Chandra Ghosh, Librarian, Indian Institute of Management, Calcutta spoke on Artificial Intelligence (AI), its genesis, facets, components and the areas of libraries. The first Achyuta Nanad-Subarnalata Sahu Memorial Best Librarian Award was declared. The Best Librarian Award was conferred to Dr. C Velmurugan, Chief Librarian of Meenakshi Medical College Hospital and Research Institute, Kanchipuram. Various competitions were organized by the forum on the occasion of National Librarian's Day. The results were announced by Dr. Debraj Meher, Librarian, OUAT, Bhubaneswar. The first, second, and third positions of National Online Quiz Competition were secured by Ayan Majumder of Kalyani University, Vidya of Pandit Sundarlal Sharma (Open) University, and Swathikrishna P of Periyar University respectively. The forum also presented award to Ramandeep Kaur for posting maximum number of professional messages in the Facebook group of lisforum_orissa. The program ended with a vote of thanks delivered by Mr Munesh Kumar, Deputy Librarian, NIT Jamshedpur.

PERSONALIA

Shaik Meera received **National Best Librarian Award 2025** from **Madras Library Association** on the occasion of National Librarians' Day (August 12), commemorating the 133rd birth anniversary of Dr. S.R. Ranganathan, Father of Library Science, recognizing the contributions of librarians across the country. Shaik Meera was honored with the award for his efforts in conducting awareness programs, workshops, school innovation challenge mentorship in Andhra Pradesh & Telangana, student mentorships, and his active association with various library organizations. He is currently serving as a Governing Body Member of Zone 2 (2023–25) of IASLIC. The award ceremony was held on August 24, 2025 at the Anna Centenary Library, Chennai. Dr. K. Nityanandam, President, Madras Library Association presented the award with a Certificate of Appreciation and a Memento. IASLIC congratulates Mr. Meera for his achievements and contribution.

Photographs of celebration of 133rd birth anniversary of Dr. Shiyali Ramamrita Ranganathan on 12th August, 2025 at IASLIC Office, Kolkata



Photographs of National Best Librarian Award, 2025 organized by MALA on 24.08.2025



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