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From Editorial Desk

We have successfully completed a fruitful one-year journey of publishing the *UB Newsletter*. This endeavour was not without its challenges; there were many ups and downs, countless brainstorming sessions, and numerous dream-weaving moments that have made this achievement possible. After publishing 12+2 issues, we are now on the verge of releasing our next issue with ISSN accreditation, marking the beginning of a new era for *Universal Briefing*. Our publication has left a significant footprint in the Library and Information Science (LIS) domain, and we are proud of the impact it has made.

Reflecting on this enriching year, we are grateful for the opportunity to share knowledge, innovations, and best practices through our 14 issues, which have fostered meaningful dialogue within our community. The ISSN accreditation stands as a proud milestone in our journey, a testament to our commitment to quality and scholarly recognition. This accomplishment is a result of the collective efforts of our contributors, readers, and editorial team. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to everyone who has been part of this journey, and we look forward to continuing our mission of advancing the LIS profession through this publication. To ensure even greater enrichment in the future, we kindly request your continued support by sharing valuable data, insights, and resources that will help us grow and evolve in the coming years.

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Latest Vacancies

- Recruitment for the Post of Librarian at Army Public School Tibri Cantt Gurdaspur, Gurdaspur: Last Date - 07/01/2025- [Click Here For More](#)
- Recruitment for The Post of Assistant Librarian at Indian Institute of Technology Delhi Hauz Khas, New Delhi – 110016 : Last Date - 10/01/2025- [Click Here For More](#)
- Recruitment for The Post of Library-Cum Documentation Officer at National Book Trust, India Ministry of Education, Government Of India, New Delhi-110070 : Last Date - 13/01/2025- [Click Here For More](#)
- Recruitment for The Post of Library Clerk at National Institute for The Empowerment of Persons With Intellectual Disabilities (NEIPID): Last Date - 13/01/2025- [Click Here For More](#)
- Recruitment for The Post of Director at Khuda Bakhsh Oriental Public Library, Patna : Last Date - 28/01/2025- [Click Here For More](#)
- Recruitment for The Post of Librarian, Assistant Librarian And Library Assistant at Office of The Directorate of Medical Education, Assam : Last Date - 16/01/2025- [Click Here For More](#)
- Recruitment for The Post of Library Assistant & Library Attendant At Sikkim University, Gangtok-737102, Sikkim : Last Date - 18/01/2025- [Click Here For More](#)
- Recruitment for the Post of Associate Professor & Assistant Professor (Library & Information Science Dept.) at Mahatma Gandhi Central University, Bihar: Last Date - 20/01/2025- [Click Here For More](#)
- Recruitment for The Post of Library Attendant at Tripura University (A Central University) Suryamaninagar-799022, Tripura, India : Last Date - 22/01/2025- [Click Here For More](#)
- Recruitment for The Post of Professor & Associate Professor (Library & Information Science Dept.) in Central University of Himachal Pradesh, Himachal Pradesh : Last Date - 23/01/2025- [Click Here For More](#)
- Recruitment for The Post of Librarian at Appellate Tribunal for Electricity Ministry of Power, Core-4, 7th Floor, Scope Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110003 : Last Date - 26/01/2025- [Click Here For More](#)
- Recruitment for The Post of Librarian at Textiles Committee Ministry of Textiles, Government of India : Last Date - 31/01/2025- [Click Here For More](#)
- Recruitment for The Post of Assistant Registrar (Library) at IIT Kanpur, Up : Last Date - 31/01/2025- [Click Here For More](#)
- Recruitment for The Post of Librarian at Government of NCT of Delhi Delhi Subordinate Services Selection Board Fc-18, Institutional Area, Karkardooma, Delhi-110092 : Last Date - 07/02/2025- [Click Here For More](#)
- Recruitment for the Post of Librarian at IIT Gandhinagar, Palaj, Gandhinagar- 382055,Gujarat : Last Date - 30/01/2025- [Click here For More](#)

Announcement

37th Study Circle

The 37th study circle of universal briefing took place on 4th January at 7.30 pm. The speaker for the session was Dr. Avik Roy, Librarian, Derozio Memorial College, Rajarhat, North 24 Parganas, West Bengal and the President of the session was Dr. Swapan Khan, Librarian, Narasinha Dutt College, Howrah, West Bengal. The topic of the study circle was "AI Tools for Research: a voyage or an excursion".

The speaker delivered an insightful speech on the topic mentioned above. He began by defining research, highlighting the essential roles of analysis, organization, synthesis, and report writing as key components of the research process. He also explained how these steps are foundational to any study, and then proceeded with a hands-on demonstration of various AI tools that aid each phase. For analysis, he showcased Dimensions.ai, a comprehensive database linking grants, publications, patents, and more; Inciteful, which helps users explore topics and uncover connections; and Elicit, an AI tool that streamlines the gathering and synthesis of information using NLP and LLM. Moving to the organization and synthesis phases, he demonstrated ResearchRabbit, which creates personalized literature discovery networks and tracks related works. For report drafting, he introduced Trinka, an AI writing assistant for academic content, offering grammar, clarity, citation checking, and journal recommendations, and Voyant, a powerful tool for text analysis and visualizing large datasets. Overall, it was a very informative and enriching session, providing valuable insights into how AI tools can enhance every step of the research process.

UB-Study Circle (Forthcoming Notification)

The 38th study circle of the Universal Briefing will take place on 25th January at 7.30 pm.

Upcoming International Seminar of Universal Briefing (Click into the Banner for more Details)

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- IKS and Library & Information Centres;
- IKS and Public Library;
- IKS for Wellness and Psychology;
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- IKS in Equality and Empowerment;
- IKS and Natural Resources;
- IKS in Economic Growth;
- IKS in Science & Technology;
- IKS in Social Science;
- IKS for Environmental Conservation.

Important Dates

- Last date of Submission of Abstract: 15-12-2024
- Notification for Abstract Acceptance: 20-12-2024
- Last date of Submission of Full Paper: 05-01-2025
- Notification for Full Paper Acceptance: 20-01-2025
- Last Date of Submission of PPT File: 10-02-2025

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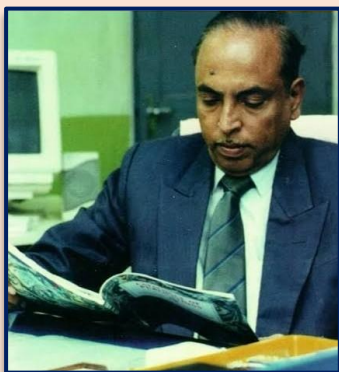
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Obituary

Dr. P. S. G. Kumar: A Tribute to a Luminary in Library and Information Science



It is with profound sorrow that we announce the passing of Dr. P. S. G. Kumar, a stalwart in the field of Library and Information Science, on January 3, 2025. Dr. Kumar, the former Librarian of Rashtrasant Tukadoji Maharaj Nagpur University and Head of its Department of Library and Information Science, leaves behind an indelible legacy. His demise marks an irreplaceable loss to the profession and to countless students, colleagues, and admirers who were inspired by his unparalleled contributions. Dr. Kumar was a prolific writer and academician whose scholarly output is both remarkable and enduring. Over his illustrious career, he authored an impressive 70 books and 142 research papers. His works include monumental contributions such as Indian Library Chronology (two editions), Indian Encyclopedia of Library and Information Science (23 volumes), Kumar's Curriculum Series (16 volumes), and Library in India Series (10 volumes), among others. These publications have served as foundational texts for students and professionals in the field, elevating the standards of library science education and research in India.

An exemplary academic, Dr. Kumar's first-class career spanned from a B.Sc. in Agriculture to an M.Lib.Sc., culminating in a Ph.D. from Gulbarga University. His academic brilliance was matched by his leadership in professional organizations. He held pivotal roles in numerous national and international bodies, including the Indian Library Association (ILA), the Indian Association of Teachers of Library and Information Science (IATLIS) for 12 years, the Joint Council of Library Associations in India (JOCAL), the Library Association of SAARC Countries (LASAARC) for one term, the Good Offices Committee (GOC), and the Vidarbha Academic Library Association (VALA) for four years. Additionally, he served as a Council Member of IASLIC for two terms. Dr. Kumar's legacy extends beyond his scholarly works and leadership roles. Friends, colleagues, and students have established enduring initiatives in his honor, such as the Dr. P. S. G. Kumar Oration on Library and Information Science (with RTM Nagpur University), the Dr. P. S. G. Kumar Lifetime Achievement Award (with ILA), and the Dr. P. S. G. Kumar Library Foundation at Nagpur. This foundation sponsors two esteemed journals: Mahiti Yug (Information Age) in Marathi and Information Age in English, ensuring his contributions continue to inspire future generations.

As we bid farewell to this towering figure, we celebrate his extraordinary life and achievements. On behalf of Universal Briefing, we extend our deepest condolences to his family, friends, and the entire library science community. May the Almighty grant his soul eternal peace and his legacy everlasting life in the annals of our profession.

Research Spotlight

DLIS, Mizoram University, Aizawl (Awarded Works 2024)

1. **Thesis Title:** Fostering a Conceptual Information Model for the Well-being of the Inmates of Old-Age Homes in Kerala
Scholar's Name: T.A. Yadukrishnan
Supervisor: Prof. Pravakar Rath & Dr. Amit Kumar

DLIS (Swami Vivekananda School of Library Sciences), Assam University, Silchar (Awarded Works 2024):

2. **Thesis Title:** Research Productivity of the Departments of Information Technology, Computer Science, Computer Science and Engineering of Central Universities in North East India: A Bibliometric Study
Scholar's Name: Kallol Das Talukdar
Supervisor: Prof. Manoj Kumar Sinha
3. **Thesis Title:** A Study on Status of Preservation and Conservation of Manuscripts in Bihar
Scholar's Name: Amit Uraon
Supervisor: Prof. Manoj Kumar Sinha

DLIS, Vidyasagar University, Guwahati (Awarded Works 2024)

4. **Thesis Title:** Obsolescence A Study on Weeding Out in Selected University Libraries of West Bengal
Scholar's Name: Amalendu Das
Supervisor: Dr. Durga Sankar Rath
5. **Thesis Title:** An analytical model for research-trend analysis of specific subject-domains through keyword-clusters: A case study from Physics
Scholar's Name: Kalipada Jana
Supervisor: Dr. Bidyarthi Dutta

DLIS, Alagappa University, Karaikudi (Awarded Works 2024)

6. **Thesis Title:** Use Of E Resources In Teaching and Learning Environment at Govt Arts and Science College Libraries in Kerala: An Analytical Study
Scholar's Name: Neethu Mohanan
Supervisor: Dr. S. Thanuskodi

DLIS, Gauhati University, Guwahati (Awarded Works 2024)

7. **Thesis Title:** Modernization of Library and Information Centers with Special Reference to Central University Libraries in North East India A Study
Scholar's Name: Phool Rani Das
Supervisor: Prof. Narendra Lahkar

DLIS, University of Calcutta, Kolkata (Awarded Works 2024)

8. **Thesis Title:** Maternal Health Information Services in Baruipur Subdivision of South 24 Paraganas West Bengal
Scholar's Name: Gita Sarkar
Supervisor: Dr. Pubalika Bhattacharya Maitra

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RESEARCH RECAP OF DIFFERENT UNIVERSITIES (THIS EDITION FOCUSES ON **MIZORAM UNIVERSITY, AIZAWL** AWARDED WORKS)

Awarded Works in 2008

1. **Thesis Title:** An Assessment of the Role of State and District Libraries for the Socio Cultural and Educational Development of Mizoram.
Scholar's Name: R.K.Ngurtinkhuma
Supervisor: Prof. Pravakar Rath

Awarded Works in 2009

2. **Thesis Title:** Strategic Developmental Plan for Adoption of Information and Communication Technology (ICT) in the College Libraries of Mizoram
Scholar's Name: Sanjeev I
Supervisor: Prof. Pravakar Rath

Awarded Works in 2010

3. **Thesis Title:** Use of Information Sources by Social Scientists: A Comparative Study of Banaras Hindu University and Mizoram University.
Scholar's Name: Ajay Kumar
Supervisor: Dr. S. N. Singh
4. **Thesis Title:** Library and Information Science Education in North East Region: A Critical Study
Scholar's Name: Lalngaizuali
Supervisor: Prof. Pravakar Rath
5. **Thesis Title:** A Study of Curriculum Requirements towards improving IT Skills of Library Professionals
Scholar's Name: Akhilesh Kumar Singh Yadav
Supervisor: Dr. S. N. Singh

Awarded Works in 2011

6. **Thesis Title:** Women's Health Information based on Web Resources: An Analysis
Scholar's Name: S Ravi Kumar
Supervisor: Dr. S.N.Singh

Awarded Works in 2011

7. **Thesis Title:** An Assessment of the Services of College Libraries in the Context of Changing Information Scenario with Special Reference to Mizoram.
Scholar's Name: LalbiaksangaHnamte
Supervisor: Dr. R. N. Mishra

Awarded Works in 2012

8. **Thesis Title:** A Study of an Integrated Library Network and Consortium of Central University Libraries in the North East Region
Scholar's Name: C Lawmzuala
Supervisor: Dr. R. N. Mishra

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9. **Thesis Title:** Human Resource Development of Central University Libraries in the North East Region: A Study of North-Eastern Hill University (NEHU), Assam University (AU) and Mizoram University (MZU)
Scholar's Name: Lalthanmawii Sailo
Supervisor: Prof. Pravakar Rath
10. **Thesis Title:** A Study on Use of Electronic Resources for Teaching and Research by Faculty Members of Mizoram University
Scholar's Name: Lallaisangzuali
Supervisor: Prof. Pravakar Rath
11. **Thesis Title:** Information Literacy for College Libraries with Special Reference to Lower Assam: A Study
Scholar's Name: Maya MoyeeNarzary
Supervisor: Prof. Pravakar Rath

Awarded Works in 2014

12. **Thesis Title:** Resource Generation and Mobilization in College Libraries in Mizoram
Scholar's Name: Zomuana Joute
Supervisor: Prof. Pravakar Rath

Awarded Works in 2016

13. **Thesis Title:** Use of UGC-INFONET Digital Consortium by Faculty members of North Eastern Hill University, Manipur University and Mizoram University: A Comparative Study
Scholar's Name: Khudrakpam Premoda
Supervisor: Prof. Pravakar Rath
14. **Thesis Title:** Research Productivity of the Departments of Statistics of Central Universities in India: A Bibliometric Study
Scholar's Name: Sangita Das Talukdar
Supervisor: Dr. S.N.Singh
15. **Thesis Title:** Information Seeking Behaviour of the Teachers and Research Scholars in Physical Sciences of Mizoram University and Assam University: A Comparative Study
Scholar's Name: Rosa Lalthanmawii
Supervisor: Dr. M K Verma

Awarded Works in 2017

16. **Thesis Title:** Role of Social Networking Sites in Information Communication: A Study of Faculty Members and Research Scholars in Mizoram University and Assam University
Scholar's Name: Anil Kumar
Supervisor: Dr. S.N.Singh
17. **Thesis Title:** Web Content Analysis of Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs) and National Institutes of Technology (NITs) Libraries' Website: An Evaluation
Scholar's Name: KSH Krishna Devi
Supervisor: Dr. M.K.Verma

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Awarded Works in 2018

18. **Thesis Title:** Information Seeking Behaviour of Ph.D Students on Arabic Studies in Central Universities of India
Scholar's Name: Tabasum Begum
Supervisor: Dr. S.N. Singh
19. **Thesis Title:** UGC-Infonet Digital Library Consortium and INDEST-AICTE Consortium: An Evaluative Study
Scholar's Name: Amit Kumar
Supervisor: Prof. Prvakar Rath & Prof. R K Ngurtinkhuma
20. **Thesis Title:** Inter-personal Communication between Self and the Society through Blogging with special reference to Mizoram: A Case Study
Scholar's Name: Lalremruati Khiangte
Supervisor: Dr. R N Mishra
21. **Thesis Title:** Content Analysis of Online Library & Information Science Journals: A Study
Scholar's Name: Ashutosh Agrahari
Supervisor: Dr. S.N. Singh
22. **Thesis Title:** Library and Information Services in National Institute of Technology of North East Region
Scholar's Name: Rohlupui Pachuau
Supervisor: Dr. R N Mishra
23. **Thesis Title:** Usage of Library Resources in Central Universities of North East India: A Comparative Study of Mizoram University and North Eastern Hill University.
Scholar's Name: Vanlalneia
Supervisor: Prof. R.N. Mishra
24. **Thesis Title:** Library Professionals' Communication over Online Forum: Content Analysis of New Millennium LIS Professionals (NMLIS)
Scholar's Name: Jacob MS Dawngliana
Supervisor: Dr. Akhandanand Shukla
25. **Thesis Title:** Information Literacy Competency among Faculty Members and Research Scholars of Mizoram University in Digital Environment
Scholar's Name: F.Chanchinmawia
Supervisor: Dr. M.K.Verma

Awarded Works in 2019

26. **Thesis Title:** Usability Analysis of Indian Institutes of Technology and Indian Institutes of Management Libraries Website: An Evaluative Study
Scholar's Name: Nitesh Kumar Verma
Supervisor: Dr. Akhandanand Shukla
27. **Thesis Title:** Webometric Analysis of National Libraries' Websites in Asia: An Evaluative Study
Scholar's Name: Krishna Brahma
Supervisor: Dr. Manoj Kumar Verma

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Awarded Works in 2020

28. **Thesis Title:** Measuring Scholarly Communications of Academia of Library and Information Science in Central Universities of India
Scholar's Name: Sanjay Kumar Maurya
Supervisor: Prof. R.K.Ngurtinkhuma
29. **Thesis Title:** Library Automation Skills of College Librarians using SOUL 2.0 in North East Region
Scholar's Name: Lalchatuana
Supervisor: Prof. Pravakar Rath & Prof. R K Ngurtinkhuma
30. **Thesis Title:** Use of Social Networking Sites by Teachers and Students of Colleges in Aizawl: An Evaluative Study
Scholar's Name: Esther Lalnunpuii
Supervisor: Prof. R K Ngurtinkhuma & Dr. Manoj Kumar Verma
31. **Thesis Title:** Bibliometric Study of Doctoral Dissertations in Library & Information Science in North East India during 2006-2015
Scholar's Name: S Lalrempuii
Supervisor: Prof. R K Ngurtinkhuma & Dr. R.N Mishra
32. **Thesis Title:** Information Literacy Skills among PG Students of Social Sciences of Mizoram University and Tezpur University: A Comparative Study
Scholar's Name: Ravi Shukla
Supervisor: Dr. Manoj Kumar Verma

Awarded Works in 2021

33. **Thesis Title:** Job Satisfaction among Library Professionals in Higher Educational Institutions of Mizoram: An Evaluative Study
Scholar's Name: S. Lalnunpuia
Supervisor: Prof. R.K.Ngurtinkhuma
34. **Thesis Title:** Publication Pattern of Selected Open Access LIS Journals in Directory of Open Access Journals (DOAJ): A Scientometric Analysis
Scholar's Name: Saumen Das
Supervisor: Dr. Manoj Kumar Verma
35. **Thesis Title:** Use of E-Resources by Faculty Members of Mizoram University and Babasaheb Bhimrao Ambedkar University: A Comparative Study
Scholar's Name: Sunil Kumar Yadav
Supervisor: Prof. S.N. Singh

Awarded Works in 2022

36. **Thesis Title:** Content Analysis and Design Trends of Library Website of Agricultural Universities in India: An Evaluation
Scholar's Name: Sur Chandra Singh
Supervisor: Dr. Manoj Kumar Verma
37. **Thesis Title:** Collection Management and Services of Central University Libraries in North East India: An Evaluative Study

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Scholar's Name: R. Lalengmawia
Supervisor: Dr. Lalngaizuali

38. **Thesis Title:** A Scientometric Study on Portrait of Nobel Laureates in Chemistry

Scholar's Name: Abhay Maurya
Supervisor: Dr. Amit Kumar

39. **Thesis Title:** Availability and Persistency of Web References: A Study of Library and Information Science Theses.

Scholar's Name: Nilakshi Sharma
Supervisor: Prof. S.N. Singh

40. **Thesis Title:** Access to Library and Information Services by the Differently-abled Users in Libraries of Selected IITs in India

Scholar's Name: Babita Yadav
Supervisor: Prof. S.N. Singh

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41. **Thesis Title:** Skills and Competencies of College Library Professionals of Mizoram in Changing Information Scenario: A Study

Scholar's Name: B. Lalhlimpuii
Supervisor: Prof. Pravakar Rath

42. **Thesis Title:** Human Resource Management in the Central University Libraries of Northeast India: An Analytical Study

Scholar's Name: Lallawmawmi
Supervisor: Dr. Lalngaizuali

43. **Thesis Title:** An Altmetric Analysis of Research Gate Profiles of LIS Teaching Faculty in Central Universities in India

Scholar's Name: Dibanjyoti Buragohain
Supervisor: Dr. Amit Kumar

44. **Thesis Title:** Design and Development of an Institutional Repository on Educational Research and Training with Reference to NIE (NCERT), New Delhi: A Conceptual Model

Scholar's Name: Deepak Kumar Kapoor
Supervisor: Prof. Pravakar Rath

45. **Thesis Title:** Web Presence of Central University Libraries in India: Content and Design Trend Analysis

Scholar's Name: Tribeni Pathak
Supervisor: Dr. Manoj Kumar Verma

46. **Thesis Title:** Sentiment Analysis of Open Educational Resources (OER) Videos on YouTube: A Study

Scholar's Name: Manashjyoti Deka
Supervisor: Dr. Amit Kumar

47. **Thesis Title:** Faculty Attitudes Toward Open Access Publications for Scholarly Communication in Central Universities of North East India: An Evaluation

Scholar's Name: Maya Deori
Supervisor: Prof. Manoj Kumar Verma

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48. **Thesis Title:** Sustainable Development of Indigenous Knowledge Management of Mizo Tribe
Scholar's Name: Esther Lalruatpuii
Supervisor: Prof. R.K.Ngurtinkhuma

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49. **Thesis Title:** Information Literacy Among Agricultural Farmers in Lunglei District, Mizoram
Scholar's Name: Ruth Lalthlamuanpuii
Supervisor: Dr. Lalngaizuali
50. **Thesis Title:** Information and Communication Technology (ICT) Skills and Competencies among Faculty Members of Mizoram University and North-Eastern Hill University in using E-resources: A Study
Scholar's Name: Oliver Lalthlengliana
Supervisor: Prof. R.K.Ngurtinkhuma
51. **Thesis Title:** Trends of Indian Research Performance in Chemistry during 1991 to 2020 based on Scopus Database: A Scientometric and Computational Evaluation
Scholar's Name: Dhruba Jyoti Borgohain
Supervisor: Dr. Manoj Kumar Verma
52. **Thesis Title:** Innovation Library Security Technology Solution in the Management of Central University Libraries of North-East India: A Study
Scholar's Name: Janu Komut
Supervisor: Prof. Pravakar Rath
53. **Thesis Title:** Use of Social Media among LIS Students of Odisha State Universities in Enhancing Academic and Professional Development: A Study
Scholar's Name: Shubhasmita Acharya
Supervisor: Prof. Pravakar Rath
54. **Thesis Title:** Scientometric Mapping of Library and Information Science Research across the Asian Nations
Scholar's Name: NG ThermiMoyon
Supervisor: Prof. R.K.Ngurtinkhuma
55. **Thesis Title:** Usage of Library Resources in RIMS, Imphal and NEIGRIHMS, Shillong: A Comparative Study
Scholar's Name: MM Yasir Ahamed
Supervisor: Dr. Lalngaizuali
56. **Thesis Title:** Impact of Social Networking Sites on Scholarly Communication: An Altmetrics Analysis of Selected LIS Journals
Scholar's Name: Bwasrang Basumatary
Supervisor: Prof. Manoj Kumar Verma

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- Re-Imagining Libraries (ReLL-2025): National Conference on Balancing Tradition and Innovation in a Digital Era, Organized by Tata Memorial Hospital, Mumbai, in Collaboration with the Bombay Science Librarians Association (BOSLA). Date: 10th January 2025. For more info: [click here](#)
- (ICBDI 2025) International Conclave – 2025 on Business and Data Intelligence. Date: 29th & 30th January 2025. Organized by Departments of Business Administration and Data Science, Women's Christian College, College Road, Chennai – 600 006 Tamil Nadu, India In Collaboration With The Office Of International Programs & Student Services. For more info: [click here](#)
- National Conference on Recent Trends on Social Sciences, English Literature and Library. Organized by Departments of Economics, English, Library and Information Science Organize One Day National Conference on Recent Trends in Social Sciences, K. M.S.P. Mandal's, Sant Rawool Maharaj Mahavidyalaya, Kudal. Date: 1st February 2025. Venue: Conference Hall, S. R. M. College, Kudal, Tal. Kudal, Dist. Sindhudurg, Maharashtra. For registration: [Click here.](#)
- GLS-2025. Global Library Summit. Organized by South Asian University, New Delhi & LIS Academy, Bengaluru. Date: 5-7 February 2025. Inaugural Venue: C D Deshmukh Auditorium, India International Centre, New Delhi, Delhi 110003. Summit Venue: South Asian University, Rajpur Rd, Maidan Garhi, New Delhi, Delhi 110068. For more info: [click here](#)
- 3rd international conference (Two Days) on "AI Reshaping Global Commerce and Economics". Organized by Mar Thoma College of Science And Technology Kollam, Kerala, The Indian Accounting Association (IAA), Federal Bank & International Skill Development Corporation (ISDC). Date: 6th & 7th February 2025. For registration: [Click here.](#)
- (ICBSL-25) International Conference on Building Sustainable Libraries for Connecting Communities: Librarianship, Technology, and Collaboration. Sponsored By Raja Rammohun Roy Library Foundation (Under the Ministry of Culture, Government of India) & Department of Library and Information Science, Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli, Tamil Nadu, India 620024. Date: 7th & 8th Feb, 2025. For more info: [click here](#)
- ICSSR N. W. Regional Centre, Chandigarh sponsored National Seminar on Ethical Use of Ai in Research and Role of Libraries. Organized by Department of Library and Information Science, Panjab University, Chandigarh. Date: 14th February, 2025. For registration: [Click here.](#)
- National Seminar on 'Digital Transformation in Education: challenges and Opportunities'. Organised by Bonhoure Centre for Research, St. Xavier's College of Education (Autonomous), Palayamkottai. Date: 14th and 15th February 2025. For registration: [Click here.](#)
- International Conference on Knowledge Organisation in Academic Libraries (I-KOAL). Theme: Innovative Library Practices in Digital Era: Aligning with NEP-2020 for Viksit Bharat 2047. Date: Feb 20, 2025 - Feb 22, 2025. Place: Gorakhpur, India. For more info: [click here](#)
- DMCRC Library & Information Centre Conference. National Conference on "Envisioning the Future: AI Tools for Libraries". Organize by Library and Information Centre of Dnyanprassarak Mandal's College and Research Centre in collaboration with the Directorate of Higher Education,

Forthcoming Events

- Govt. of Goa. Date: 20th & 21st February 2025. Venue: Dnyanprassarak Mandal's College & Research Centre, Assagao Goa. For more info: [click here](#)
- Two Day International Seminar on "Role of Libraries in Unveiling Indian Knowledge Systems in Digital Era. Jointly Organized by Visva-Bharati Library Network & Universal Briefing, Kolkata. Date: Feb 21-22, 2025. Venue: Lipika Auditorium, Visva-Bharati, Santiniketan 731235, Birbhum, West Bengal, India. For more info: [click here](#)
- 6th NACML-2025 (National Conference on Management of Modern Libraries) on the theme 'Shaping the Future of Academic Libraries: Trends and Prospects' organized by SEARCH - The KMC Health Sciences Library in collaboration with the Department of Library and Information Science, Manipal Academy of Higher Education, Manipal, Karnataka, to be held on February 21-22, 2025. For more info: [click here](#)
- National Conference on Digital Libraries and Information Systems: Building Universal Opportunities for Learning and Access (Dellisola). Organized by Department of Library and Information Science, Berhampur University, in collaboration with Odisha Library Academy. Date: February 22-23, 2025. Venue: Berhampur University, Bhanja Bihar, Odisha. For more info: [click here](#)
- Three Days International Conference of Asian Academic Libraries (ICAAL 2025) On "New Technologies in the Knowledge System & Libraries: Towards Viksit Bharat @ 2047" Organized by SOS in Library and Information Science Jiwaji University, Gwalior in Association with Special Libraries Association (SLA-USA) Asia Community and Society for Library Professionals. Date: 22-24 February, 2025. Venue: Jiwaji University, Gwalior (M.P.). For more info: [click here](#)
- International Conference on Statistical Learning (ICSL-2025). Organized By [Department Of Mathematics](#) & Centre For Applied Research In Data Science (Cards), [Indian Institute of Technology Ropar](#). Date: March 6-8, 2025. For more info: [click here](#)
- 70th Annual Conference of Indian Library Association on "Libraries and Artificial Intelligence: Connecting Users for Sustainable Knowledge System". Organized at the University of Agricultural Science, Raichur, Karnataka. Date: 20-22 March 2025. For more info: [click here](#)
- 9th International Conference of Asian Special Libraries (ICoASL 2025), themed "Sustainable Development of Libraries through Innovative Technologies". Organized by Madhu Limaye Library, RMLNLU, India & Dr Ram Manohar Lohiya National Law University. Date: 9-11 May 2025. For more info: [click here](#)
- American Library Association (ALA) Annual Conference. Date: June 26-July 1, 2025. Place: Philadelphia, PA, USA. For more info: [click here](#)
- American Association of School Librarians (AASL). Date: October 16-18, 2025. Place: St. Louis, MO, USA. For more info: [click here](#)

Workshops, Programmes, Training & Courses

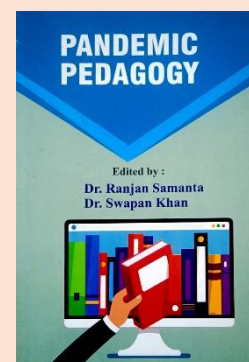
- Refresher Course in Library and Information Science (Offline). Organized by: UGC-MMTTC (HRDC), University of Rajasthan, Jaipur. Date: 06.01.2025 to 18.01.2025. For more info: [click here](#)

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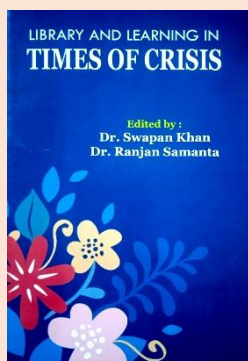
- One Week National Workshop on Open-Source Software Koha and D-Space. Organized By Maulana Azad Library, Aligarh Muslim University. Date: January 20-25, 2025. Venue: Digital Resource Centre, Maulana Azad Library, AMU, Aligarh. For more info: [Click here.](#)
- DRTC-ISI & INFLIBNET jointly organizes (co-sponsored by SRELS) “Transforming Library Data into Global Knowledge: An International Workshop on Linked Open Data and Semantic Web Technologies”. Date: 22-24 January 2025. Hosted by: Documentation Research and Training Centre (DRTC), Indian Statistical Institute (ISI). For more info: [Click here.](#)
- Academic Writing for Research Scholars Workshop. Organized by Centre for Faculty Development & Educational Technology (CFDET) (Formerly, Teaching Learning Centre) Indian Institute of Technology (BHU) Varanasi. Date: 27-31 January 2025. Workshop Venue: Annie Besant Lecture Complex (ABLT), IIT (BHU) Varanasi-221005. For registration: [Click here.](#)
- Ten Days Research Methodology Course for Ph.D. / Scholars in Social Sciences. Sponsored by: Indian Council of Social Science Research, New Delhi. Organized by: Centre for Dr. B. R. Ambedkar Studies Kurukshetra University, Kurukshetra. Date: 28th January 2025 to 6th February 2025. Venue: Faculty Lounge Kurukshetra University, Kurukshetra. For more info: [Click here.](#)
- UGC-Malaviya Mission Teacher Training Centre (MMTTC) at Ranchi University, Ranchi, will be conducting an online short-term course on 'ICT in Library' from February 6, 2025, to February 12, 2025. For more info: [Click here.](#)
- A Three-Day Faculty Development Programme on Empowering Teaching and Research through ICT Integration Organized by CENTRAL LIBRARY In Collaboration with Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), Ananda Chandra College, Jalpaiguri, West Bengal. Date: March 24 - 26, 2025. For registration: [Click here.](#)
- SWAYAM Library and Information Science (LIS) courses currently open for enrolment are free to enrol in and learn from. For more info: [Click here.](#)

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The book “Pandemic Pedagogy” was published by Prova Prakashani in collaboration with Universal Briefing in the year 2020. It was jointly edited by Dr. Ranjan Samanta and Dr. Swapan Khan. The book had informative eighteenth chapters. The outstanding contribution of authors presented an exceptional dimension on pandemic pedagogy in relation to academic library and pandemic pedagogy mainly in higher education. Thought content, practical experience and knowledge of authors would help the students, scholars, library professional and others to understand the situation of education during Pandemic and the challenge taken to overcome; teaching learning process of that situation; advancement of new technology; extension of online education and open educational resources; opportunities and threats of online education.

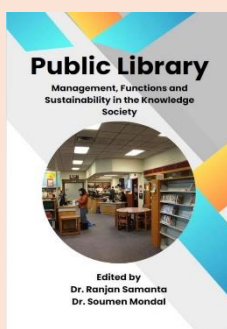
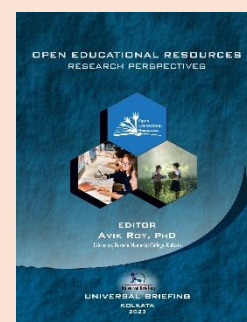


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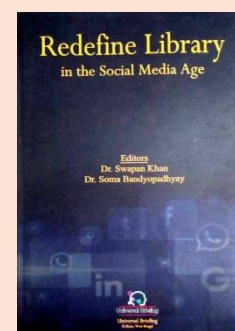
The book "Library and Learning in Times of Crisis" was published by Prova Prakashani in collaboration with Universal Briefing in the year 2021, edited by Dr. Ranjan Samanta and Dr. Swapan Khan. It contained seventeenth valuable research papers highlighted the role of libraries especially academic libraries and online teaching learning during the period of Global Pandemic of Covid-19. Some papers focused on Government initiatives for learners during Covid-19, effectiveness of social media for education; strength, weakness, opportunity, and threat of e-learning; importance of e-resources etc. The papers helped librarian to take various steps in every aspect of library services. Overall, all papers were very informative and insightful for learners, teachers, administrators, policy makers and government.

A book was published in February 2023 by Universal briefing with the title "Open Educational Resources: Research Perspectives", comprising selected articles from the two-day International Webinar of the same title, which was organised by Universal Briefing on 20th and 21st November, 2021 at Kolkata, India. The book contains 13 selected articles on different aspects of OER including SWOT analysis, NEP, copyright and license, sustainability of OER etc., written by LIS professionals from various fields. This conference proceedings volume is edited by Dr. Avik Roy, Librarian, Derozio Memorial College; and illustrated by Avijit Naskar.

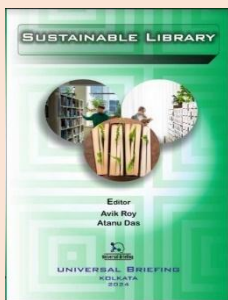


This book celebrates the profound impact of public libraries as vibrant spaces of learning, connection, and empowerment. In an era marked by rapid technological advancements and evolving societal needs, public libraries remain steadfast in their mission to provide equitable access to information and foster inclusive communities. Each chapter of this book is meticulously crafted to explore a different facet of the library experience. From the essential role of libraries in promoting literacy and lifelong learning to their innovative approaches to technology integration and community outreach, we aim to provide a comprehensive understanding of the multifaceted nature of libraries in the 21st Century.

Purpose of this book titled "Redefine library in the social media age", is to visualize a dramatic transformation of concept of libraries due to rapid development of technological innovations especially in post pandemic period. The human need for information is changing day by day. They seek information from varieties of sources and formats. For this purpose, the library staff and library professionals need to adopt themselves into this dynamic environment. Social media is becoming increasingly popular among all the stakeholders of the library. There is no doubt that the present library must be defined in the context of social media to satisfy the users in this social media age.



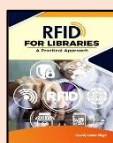
Any kind of scholarly work provides a serendipity of reading so many novel academic contents including books, book chapters, research articles, magazines, popular articles etc. Sustainability is the buzz of the day where almost every activity in the societal periphery culminates to the sustainable future. How can the library lag behind being one of the most important pillars of society? The present volume, "Sustainable Library" is an endeavour to add even an iota to the knowledge base of the global discourses on sustainable libraries. We remain grateful to Prof. Udayan Bhattacharya, Department of Library and Information Science, Jadavpur University, Kolkata to continuously inspire us to work on this compilation of the literature on sustainable libraries and publish them in one volume.



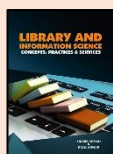
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It can recommend seminal works, recent studies, and key authors in a particular domain, aiding in a comprehensive review.

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Social Media News

IFLA is thrilled to announce that the Knowledge Rights 21 Programme has been extended for a further five years thanks to the generous support of the Arcadia Fund. This continued funding will allow IFLA to further invest in building capacity for reforms that enhance 21st-century access to research, education and culture. [Click here](#) to read more.

Why was IFLA at COP29? Find out more about IFLA's work connecting libraries, highlighting IFLA's role as a partner in Greening Education and Action for Climate Empowerment, and advocating for Culture in Climate Action. [Click here](#) to read more



Central Library of University of Kalyani, reveals a newly designed space that is truly wonderful and mesmerizing. The unique design captivates visitors, offering a one-of-a-kind experience.



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The National Testing Agency (NTA) will conduct UGC – NET December 2024 Examination for 85 subjects in Computer Based Test (CBT), mode at different cities across the country from 03rd January 2025 to 16th January 2025. Exam date for Library and Information Science: 16th January 2025, Shift – 2 (03:00 PM to 06:00 PM). The Candidates are advised to download their Admit Card of UGC – NET December 2024 Examination (using Application No. and Date of Birth) along with the undertaking from the [UGC website](#).

The 48th International Kolkata Book Fair, organized by the Publishers & Booksellers Guild, is scheduled to take place from January 28 to February 9, 2025, at Boimela Prangan, Karunamoyee, Salt Lake, Kolkata. This year's Focal Theme Country is Germany. To assist visitors in locating bookstalls, the Publishers & Booksellers Guild has introduced a dedicated app for the event.

Happy to share that Azim Premji University has successfully launched the Resource Repository. [Click here](#) to check this Repository. The repository is thoughtfully and thematically organized, initially focusing on critical areas like public health, education, and development. This resource is a testament to our collective effort and dedication. They will continuously add more resources to enhance its value and keep it updated. Explore and make the most of this valuable resource.

Children's Day 2024 was celebrated at Vikram Sarabhai Library (IIM Ahmedabad) with joy and laughter. From engaging stories to fun-filled activities, it was a magical day dedicated to our little readers.

Discover the Soulful Heritage of India's Tribal Communities. Immerse yourself in the vibrant colors, rhythmic beats, and awe-inspiring legends of India's indigenous art forms. From the art of the Gond and the Bhil to the swirling Bihu from Assam, our country's tribal cultures capture a timeless spirit of creativity and unity. Explore NDLI's Tribal Art and Culture of India Collection to uncover traditional stories, fascinating photos, and expert insights—all in one place! Whether you're an art lover, history buff, or simply curious, this digital treasure trove will spark your imagination and deepen your appreciation for India's diverse cultural tapestry. Ready for a journey like no other? [Click here](#) to visit NDLI collection and embark on an immersive cultural adventure today.



GLAM Special Report

Celebration of 100 glorious years of Bengal Library Association (BLA)

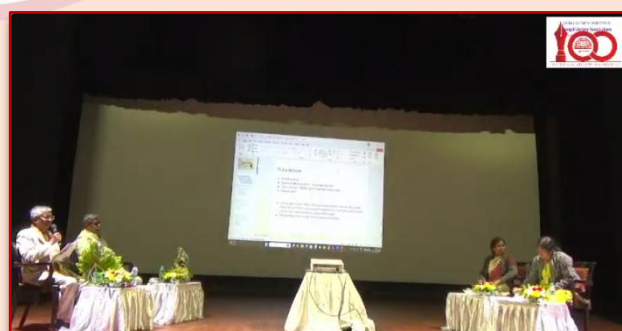


From December 20 to 22, 2024, the Bengal Library Association (BLA) marked a historic milestone—its centenary celebration, commemorating 100 years of dedicated service to the library movement. Established in 1925, the BLA has played a pioneering role in promoting library awareness and organizing library services across the state. Over the decades, it has significantly contributed to developing policies and guiding the Directorate of Library Services under the Government of West Bengal in the efficient management of public libraries.

This momentous occasion, celebrating the completion of a century of excellence, was observed through a year-long series of events culminating in a grand centenary celebration. The highlight was an international seminar titled “The Role of Library Associations in the Library Movement in the Country.” The seminar was held in collaboration with Department of Journalism & Mass Communication, the University of Calcutta, (as also part of the celebration of the 75th anniversary of the Department of Journalism & Mass Communication) at the University. The venue for these landmark events was the Centenary Auditorium at Asutosh Siksha Prangan, University of Calcutta, College Street Campus, Kolkata.

On December 20, 2024, the centenary program commenced with an inaugural ceremony graced by the Hon’ble Governor of West Bengal, Dr. C.V. Ananda Bose. Esteemed dignitaries such as Dr. Joydeep Chanda, Hon’ble General Secretary, The Bengal Library Association; Prof. Santa Datta (De), Hon’ble Vice Chancellor, University of Calcutta; Prof. Debasis Das, Hon’ble Registrar, University of Calcutta; Sri Ashok Kumar, Hon’ble Postmaster General, Kolkata Region, Department of Posts, Government of India; Prof. K.P. Majumder, Hon’ble President, The Bengal Library Association; Prof. P.K. Panigrahi, Hon’ble Secretary, Faculty Council for PG Studies in Education, Journalism & Library Science as well as Head, Dept. of Journalism and Mass Communication, University of Calcutta and several other luminaries from the academic and library fraternity were also present to honour the occasion.

Following the inauguration, the traditional Library Day celebrations took place, emphasizing the critical role of libraries in societal development. The three-day international seminar began soon after, with thought-provoking paper presentations and discussions spanning multiple sessions. The seminar served as a platform for scholars, librarians, and policymakers to deliberate on the contributions of library associations and their role in advancing the library movement in India.



The celebration of BLA’s 100 years not only honoured its illustrious past but also set the stage for envisioning the future of library services and their indispensable role in fostering knowledge and learning in the years to come.

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