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## Professional News

### 1) UGC Launches 'Life Skills' Curriculum in Colleges - From How to Use Google Search to Pranayama

The University Grants Commission launched "life skills" programme in the curriculum for undergraduate courses across the country. Ethics and etiquettes of social media, how to use Google search better, yoga and pranayama and resume writing are part of the "Jeevan Kaushal" curriculum.

The programme, which carries eight credit points, can be accommodated in any semester and is aimed at inculcating emotional and intellectual competencies in students and develop verbal and non-verbal communication skills.

"Today when we talk about writing skills and communication skills, we cannot ignore writing on social media. The social media websites are a good medium to connect but students must know the advantages and disadvantages. "There have to be some ethics and etiquettes of social media and the curriculum will teach them the same. There is also a module on how to use Google search better," a senior UGC official told PTI. The official said often students do not know the difference between a curriculum vitae (CV), resume and a bio-data. Writing a good resume is also a life skill that every student must learn before entering the professional world.

"What will learners gain if they practice love and compassion? What will they lose if they don't? What are the listening skills one must practice as a team member and how different they should be as a team leader? All these skills the students should be trained in," the official said.

Personal skills like empathising and trusting colleagues for improving interpersonal relations, projecting a good personal image to have a positive impact on one's career, networking and negotiation skills besides personal and professional moral codes of conduct are part of the curriculum. The curriculum has three electives — integral human being, yoga and pranayama and gratitude. While the first elective talks about obligation to self, parents and society besides a module on living with others with their acceptance, the module on gratitude is about duty versus rights.

"The module on yoga talks about difference between yoga and pranayama and their inter-relatedness. What should be the asanas performed before examination or a presentation? All these things are listed in the curriculum," the official said. "The curriculum has been developed by an expert committee with an aim to support our graduates to unlock and discover their true potential and making them social responsive citizens," the official added.

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## Professional News

### **2) National Digital Library of India (NDLI) conducted First Ever Reading Olympiad for Higher Educational Institutions**

The National Digital Library of India (NDLI) conducted its first ever reading Olympiad for higher educational institutions of Coimbatore district at PSGR Krishnammal College for Women. It was jointly organized by the Department of General Library and Hindi of the institution. The Olympiad 2019 comprised of seven reading related competitions namely Quiz, Debate, Role Play, AdZap, Poster Making, Pebble Painting and Video Books. Almost 300 students from 50 different colleges across the district participated in the event.

NDLI was initiated by the Ministry of Human Resources Development under its National Mission on Education through Information and Communication Technology. This was a pilot project to develop a framework of virtual repository of learning resources. This project is developed to provide support at all academic levels including researchers.

Secretary of PSGR Krishnammal College for Women, Dr.N.Yesodha Devi welcomed the gathering. Mr.S.Seran , Educational Officer, Dattopant Thengadi National Board for Workers Education and Development presided over the event. Ms. P. Geetha Priya, Personal Assistant (General) to Collector, Nilgiris District was the guest of honour and also an alumnus of the institution.

Dr. Vignesh Sornamohan, Chief Strategic and Outreach Officer, NDLI explained the objectives of the NDLI and Reading Olympiad 2019. NDLI Reading Olympiad will be conducted annually and overall winners of the Olympiad will be given a rolling trophy. Kumaraguru College of Technology bagged the Rolling Trophy for this year.

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## Books Published

### Open Scholarship and the Need for Collective Action

Knowledge Exchange (KE) has published its first book *Open Scholarship and the Need for Collective Action*. The book aims to increase understanding of the challenges to make scholarship more open. It addresses various perspectives offered by KE's Open Scholarship Framework, combining levels (micro, meso and macro-level actors), arenas (political, economic, social, technical) and research phases (discovery, planning, project phase, dissemination).

Written in a 'booksprint' format, the authors of the book – experts and experienced actors in the field of Open Scholarship – look at the stakeholders and their interactions and networks, concluding that **collective action approaches** and establishment of a supportive infrastructure are key for a successful transition to Open Scholarship.

**KE**  
Knowledge Exchange



Open Scholarship and the  
need for collective action

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### Grant Review in Focus

The first large-scale survey on competitive research grant peer review, *Grant Review in Focus*, is published today by Publons, part of the Web of Science Group (a Clarivate Analytics company).

A grant is a financial award given by a governmental body, non-profit, or private enterprise for a beneficial project of some kind, and the peer review of grant funding is a fundamental part of the research life cycle. *Grant Review in Focus* brings together the most extensive researcher survey on grant peer review ever conducted – with more than 4,500 respondents- and the full power of the *Web of Science* and *InCites* datasets. The researchers surveyed have reviewed, or applied for funds from over 800 unique funders, spread across 95 countries. A range of funders were also interviewed for qualitative insights.



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## Forthcoming Events

### November

#### **1.) One-Day Workshop on Research Data Management and the Dataverse Project**

To strengthen the research support services and to provide the global perspective to researchers and the research data practitioners in India, a one-day workshop on research data management and the dataverse project will be organized at IIT Ropar on November 04, 2019. The two international data management experts from Harvard University Library (i) Sonia Barbosa, Manager of Data Curation & Harvard Dataverse Repository & (ii) Ceilyn Boyd, Research Data Program Manager will be deliberating and providing hands-on exposure to the participants.

#### **Objective**

Research Data Management (RDM) aims to make the research process as efficient as possible, and meet the expectations and requirements of the institutes, researchers and research funders. Harvard Dataverse Repository is Harvard's online data repository in collaboration with Harvard Library, HUIT, and IQSS where researchers, scholars, institutions, and organizations can share, preserve, cite, explore, and analyze research data, free of charge.

The proposed workshop is intended to create awareness on RDM & Dataverse Repository among higher educational institutions in India.

#### **Topics covered in the workshop includes:**

Introduction to RDM

RDM Life Cycle

RDM at Harvard University Libraries

Dataverse Infrastructure at Harvard

Creating data repository using Dataverse

Data Curation, metadata management

FAIR Data Principles

Hands-on training on Dataverse

Implementing RDM at IIT Ropar and other Higher Educational Institutions in India: Some tips

#### **Target Audience**

Researchers, research data managers, research data practitioners and library professionals at large

#### **For registration and other details, please log on to workshop**

**website:** <http://library.iitrpr.ac.in/workshop/index.html>

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#### 2.) Workshop on Transforming Libraries into Learning Resource Centres: Innovative Solutions for Academic Libraries

Librarians play unique role in managing the Information. There is need for all the librarians to transform by adopting the new innovative technologies for providing better benchmark services to all the stake holders. This requires lot of training, awareness about the latest trends in technology. There is transformation that is happening every field of knowledge. To accomplish the above events the Learning Resource Centre of Vignana Jyothi Institute of Management, Hyderabad is conducting Workshop on 6th November 2019.

Link for more details about the Workshop and Registration is <https://vjim.edu.in/workshop>

#### 3.) Two Days National Workshop on Enhancing Writing Skills for Research

NWEWSR - 2019

on 01<sup>st</sup> & 02<sup>nd</sup> November 2019

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Confirmation mails received from participants are permitted to attend the workshop.

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## PhD Thesis of the Month



- ❑ **Ojha, Sapna.** Bibliometric study of free online journals in Library and Information Science. (Dr. Anilkumar Jain). Department of Library and Information Science, Vikram University, Ujjain
  
- ❑ **Ramani, Bharkumar Bavabhai.** Use of ICT in college libraries of Gujrat State: A study. (Dr. Nileshkumar M Kantaria), Department of Library and Information Science, Saurashtra University, Rajkot.

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## DISCUSSION FORUM



**Dr. P. R. Goswami**

**Former Director (Library & Information)  
Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts (IGNCA)**

### **Topic: Public Libraries as Public Spaces**

Public libraries do not find a space in the priority areas of modern day LIS professionals. This has happened due to dominating presence of digital libraries in all discourses. Many public libraries work in isolation and function in a traditional manner with a small reading room with limited number of books, magazines and newspapers. Reliable quantifiable or qualitative data on public libraries are not readily available.

In order to remain relevant and useful in a fast changing socio-economic and technological milieu, public libraries need support from the state as well as the LIS professionals' associations. A strong library advocacy group is needed to garner support from the local community as well as funding agencies (including the corporate sector), these public spirited institutions have to introduce new programmes and services. Public libraries are also required to coordinate with various agencies who are active in the fields of e-governance, adult education, skill development, and information dissemination based programmes like RTI Act, digital literacy etc. New programmes can enhance the knowledge and skill of citizens and create opportunities for the youth, Local communities can also get exposure to various welfare schemes announced by the government.

Raja Rammohun Roy Library Foundation (RRRLF), the body created by the union government for development of public libraries in India has a major role to play in this endeavour. RRRLF is required to revise its various schemes to suit the requirement of the local communities, the prime users of library services.

No doubt public libraries are important social institutions. In the recently concluded ICDL a young lady library activist working in the remote Himalayan region narrated how footfall in public libraries could be increased by cleaning the premises and rearranging and refurbishing the old furniture.



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### FAREWELL



**(Dr. Ranjeet S. Thakur)**

**Former Librarian, BCAS, University of Delhi**

Dr. Ranjeet S. Thakur began his professional life in 1985 with joining The British Library at Ahmedabad after completion of Master's in Library and Information Science from University of Delhi. He had an opportunity to work with R&D of LML Ltd, Kanpur, Indian Express, Delhi, Zee Telefilms, Noida and for a brief period at London, UK. At LML Ltd, he started publishing an Indexing and Abstracting journal called 'LML Technical Abstracts'.

At Zee Telefilms, his contribution was applauded when the daily transmission log of Zee TV was successfully synchronized with the Library database. This system was used by Zee Telefilms for its entire network globally. Dr. Ranjeet joined our college library in 1998 as Librarian. He also worked as Secretary of Indian Library Association for two years. He has also contributed as Managing Editor of ILA Bulletin.

He has also been associated with IGNOU for nearly twenty years as an academic counsellor. The Delhi Library Association honored him with 'Distinguished Faculty Award' in 2015. Currently, Dr. Ranjeet is a Vice Chancellor's Nominee as Subject Expert in Library and Information Science to the Board of Studies of Central University of Himachal Pradesh. He is also member of Faculty of Arts, University of Delhi. He superannuated from his services as College Librarian of Bhaskaracharya College of Applied Sciences, University of Delhi on 31st October 2019.

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## Previous Events

### **Prof. A.K. Baradol Endowment Lecture in Library and Information Science**

Prof. A.K. Baradol, Professor, DLIS & Dean (Retd.) Faculty of Science, Mangalore University, Mangalagangothri and former Visiting Professor, K.S.A.W.U. Vijayapura has instituted an Endowment Lecture “Prof. A.K. Baradol Endowment Lecture in Library and Information Science” at the Karnataka State Akkamahadevi Women’s University Vijayapura.

Prof. K.S. Raghavan, Formar Professor, DRTC, ISI, Bangalore delivered first Professor A.K. Baradol Endowment Lecture on “From Document Classification to Knowledge Management : Evolution of Knowledge Organisation” on 18<sup>th</sup> March 2019.

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