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ILA ACTIVITIES

The 59th Indian Library Association International Conference on "Managing Libraries in the Changing Information World: From Surviving to Thriving" was organized during 22-24 February, 2014 by Mahatma Gandhi Central Library, IIT Roorkee (UK).

Day 1: Saturday, February 22, 2014

INAUGURAL SESSION

The Inaugural session was conducted in OP Jain Auditorium where at the outset, **Mr. Yogendra Singh**, Organising Secretary welcomed the dignitaries, delegates and other invitees to the 59th International ILA Conference organised by Mahatma Gandhi Central Library, IIT, Roorkee. In his welcome address he gave an overview of the genesis of IIT, Roorkee and evolution of Mahatma Gandhi Central Library in a short span of time as one of the state-of- the- art library in the country. He informed that the library has already hosted the IASLIC and SIS conferences and it is a proud privilege to host the 59th ILA International Conference. More than 300 participants are expected to participate and around 60 papers are to be presented in 8 technical sessions.

Prof. Pradipta Banerii, Director IIT Roorkee and the Patron of the conference in his address highlighted the importance of a library by stressing that library defines an institution. As institutions evolve in a digital world the libraries also need to evolve in the changing

paradigm. He further emphasised that while adapting to the changing requirements, libraries need to retain its core strengths. He suggested that we cannot do away with the archival material even though we digitise them. For him the first edition of Shakespeare volume stored in the institution library is more impressive than a digitised version and hence libraries should not disappear in a digitised world. He welcomed the participants of the conference and wished successful deliberations in the three day conference hosted by IIT Roorkee.

Prof. Ashu Shokeen, President ILA in her address highlighted the contributions and achievements of the ILA for the library and information science profession in the country since its inception in 1933. She emphasised how ILA has been playing a proactive role in addressing the national issues of the library professionals and has been successful in many fronts as is evident with bringing in pay parity in the sixth pay commission. She also highlighted the theme of the conference and thanked Director and other officials of IIT Roorkee for hosting the conference.

KEYNOTE ADDRESS

The chief guest of the inaugural session **Prof. R. D. Singh**, Director National Institute of Hydrology, Roorkee in his address emphasised the need for libraries to continuously reinvent and reengineer their activities and services to address the changing requirement of the clientele. In the internet era with remote access to library resources and services the libraries need to redefine their role. Librarians are required to take up the role of a facilitator and play active role in user education and information literacy programmes.

RELEASE OF CONFERENCE VOLUME & SOUVENIR

After the inaugural address the Conference Souvenir and the proceedings were released by the chief guest Prof. R. D. Singh.

PRESENTATION OF ILA AWARDS

Dr. Pardeep Rai, ILA General Secretary announced the names of the library professionals and the institution that were conferred with these awards. The awards conferred were:

- i. ILA P. N. Kaula Best Librarian award to Dr. P. Y Rajendra Kumar, Director General, National Library Kolkata.
- ii. ILA- Gidwani Deshpande Best University Librarian award to Prof. I. V. Malhan, Prof. Dept of LIS, Central University of Himachal Pradesh, Dharamshala
- iii. ILA- L.M. Padhya Best University Library award to NIT Kurukshetra (Dr. Krishan Gopal received the award)

The inaugural session concluded with the formal vote of thanks proposed by Prof. Praveen Kumar, Chairman Library Advisory Committee, llT Roorkee.

Technical Session I: Library and Information Science in Developing Countries

Chaired by: Prof. I.V. Malhan

Rapporteur: Dr. J. P. Srivastava.

The invited speaker for the session Mr. Choy Fatt Cheong gave a talk on Organizing Librarians for Greater User Engagement. In his talk Mr. Cheong emphasized that libraries have to be more than their collection and evolve as a collection of librarians. He gave an overview on changing role of libraries for greater engagement in the Nanyang Technical University context. This was followed by presentation of five contributed papers covering topics on translation service, Library and Information centres in higher education, student's

perception, e-learning and creativity and innovations in libraries.

Technical Session II: Managing Change in 21st Century

Chaired by: Dr. D. V. Singh

Rapporteurs: Mr. S. K. Senapati and Shankar Chavan

There were six contributed paper presentations in this session which was followed by an invited talk by Mr. Prakash Chand on Indian Citation index. The contributed papers covered the theme change management in the context of space management, managing school libraries, corporate social responsibilities, academic liaison libraries, ICT competency and challenges for college libraries.

Day 2: Sunday, February 23, 2014

Technical Session III: Knowledge Management (KM), Knowledge Organization (KO) and Information Retrieval (IR)

Chaired by: Prof Zallur Rahman

Rapporteurs: Dr. Vandana Haryvyasi & Ms. Nirmali Chakrabarti.

There was an invited talk by Dr. Dinesh Rathi and 3 contributed papers were presented in the session. Dr. Rathi in his talk reported a survey on how non Profit Making Organizations (NPOs) of Canada are using Social Medias for sharing Knowledge. The contributed papers covered issues like metadata standards for OERs, KM tools and techniques and KM in academic libraries.

Technical Session IV: Innovative and Emerging Technologies

Chaired by: Mr. Rakesh Mohindra Co-chaired by: Prabhat K Chowdhury Rapporteur: Dr. Mohan Kherde

The invited speaker of this session was Dr. Sanyukta Ravi who spoke on leadership management in University Libraries. The speaker presented a case study of Pondicherry University Library as a role model of leadership that led to manage and carve a niche among the world class libraries of today.

Thirteen contributed papers were presented in the session covering topics like information access, cloud computing, RFID technology, QR code, Web 2.0 tools for libraries, designing library website using google site, MIS for libraries etc.

Technical SessionV: Human Resources Development

Chaired by: Dr. Rajiv Vij and Prof. Muttaya Kognurmath

Co-chaired by: Dr. Rishi Tiwari **Rapporteur**: Dr. S. K. Sood.

The invited speaker of the session was Mr. Sam Popowich who spoke on implementing web-scale discovery system. This was followed by presentation of thirteen contributed papers covering issues like HR development, information literacy skills, lifelong learning, soft skills training, creative innovations and entrepreneurship, internship and job satisfaction.

Technical Session VI: Copyright, IPR and Professional Ethics

Chaired by: Dr. N. S. Shokeen Co-chaired by: Dr. Ramesha Rapporteur: Dr. Sudhir Gupta

The invited speakers for this session were Dr. Daulat Jotwani, Librarian IIT Bombay and Dr. Pradeepa Vijetungi. Dr. Jotwani gave a talk on the marketing of the e-resources in the IIT Libraries and Dr. Pradeepa Vijetungi presented journey towards consortia of e-journal in Sri Lanka. This was followed by presentation of thirteen contributed papers covering copyright issues, anti-plagiarism software, un ethical practices, licensing agreements for e-journals, e-learning awareness among LIS professionals, leadership and reading habits.

GENERAL BODY MEETING OF ILA

The General Body Meeting of the ILA was held on 23rdFebruary, 2014 at 5.00 pm. It began with welcome by the ILA President, Prof. (Mrs.) Ashu Shokeen, followed by Report presentation by the General Secretary and presentation of Annual Statement of Accounts by the Treasurer, ILA. Various issues were discussed at the Meeting. The meeting ended with thanks to the chair.

The General Body Meeting was followed by a Cultural Programme at 6.00 pm & Dinner at 7.30 pm.

Day 3: Monday, February 24, 2014

Technical Session VII: Open Access to Scholarly Communication

Chaired by: Dr. S. S. Murthy, Former Director DESIDOC and IFLIBNET

Co-chaired by: Dr. Pradeep Rai, Librarian, Maitreyi College, University of Delhi

Rapporteur: Poonam Chaudhary, Librarian, Saheed Bhagat Singh Evening College,

University of Delhi

There were three invited speakers in the session. Dr. C. K. Ramaiah gave a talk on Digital Rights management in the context of e-books. Dr. N. V. Satyanarayana spoke on open access movement and publishers role in this context. Peggy Sue Ewannyshyn shared her experience in digitization project of University of Alberta. This was followed by three contributed paper presentations on open access issues.

Technical Session VIII: E-Resource Management

Chaired by: Dr. Sanjay Kaushik

Co-chaired by: Dr. Abhijeet Sinha, Librarian, Deen Dayal Upadhyaya College, University

of Delhi

Rapporteurs: Dr. V K Bajpai and Shri Subhash Sharma

In the final technical session eleven contributed papers were presented. The topics covered in this session were N-LIST programme, present scenario of consortia of library networks, e-resource subscription, library collection assessment and development, marketing of library products and services, cloud computing, use of e-resources etc.

This was followed by a short presentation by Mr. Yogendra Singh, Librarian, IIT Roorkee on ICT usage in library services.

PANEL DISCUSSION

After completion of all the technical sessions, a panel discussion on the theme of the conference "Managing libraries in the changing information world: from surviving to thriving" was held in the last session. The panellists for the session were Dr. S. S. Murthy, Dr. Dr. N. V. Satyanarayana and Mr. Yogendra Singh and the session was moderated by Prof. S M Shafi. The panellists deliberated on paradigm shift in the library and information services due to proliferation of knowledge resources and invasion of modern ICT tools and applications. The panellists emphasised the need for the LIS professionals to gear up to the changing requirements and bring in innovations and creativity to thrive in the present knowledge society.

VALEDICTORY SESSION

Mr. Yogendra Singh, Conference Secretary welcomed the Cheif Guest of the Valedictory Session, Prof. P. B. Mangla, other distinguished members on the dais and the participants of the conference. **Prof. Uma Kanjilal**, Rapporteur General of the conference presented the

conference report and **Prof. S M Shafi**, Conference Director presented the recommendations of the conference.

This was followed by the presentation of the ILA best paper awards to the following recipients:

- 1. **Mr. Bino Jose** for his paper on Copyright: Origin Growth, Objective, Myths and Reality. (above 45 years age group)
- 2. **Mr. Madhu E. S.** for his paper on Information and Communication Technology Competency of LIS students in Kerala. (below 45 years age group).

Prof. Ashu Shokeen, President ILA thanked the organisers for their hospitality and successful conduct of the conference.

Prof. S. P. Gupta, Deputy Director, IIT Roorkee in his address highlighted the importance of a library in an academic institution and appreciated the services of the Mahatma Gandhi Central Library, Indian Institute of Technology, Roorkee.

Prof. P. B. Mangla in his valedictory address gave an overview of the evolution of the Library and Information Science profession in the country. He emphasized on the recommendations of the National Knowledge Commission in the context of libraries and the future activities to be taken up under the National Library Mission. He focused attention on the need for a change from Library and Information Science to Library and Information Management in the changing scenario. He stressed the need for the academic status for librarians in the universities at par with the teaching profession as librarians have to play a major role with their expertise in knowledge, technology, tools and management.

This was followed by the comments and valuable feedback from some of the participants of the conference. At the end a formal vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. Yogendra Singh, the Organising Secretary of the Conference.

CONFERENCE RESOLUTIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS

The theme of the Conference "Managing libraries in the changing information world: from surviving to thriving" covered key note addresses, presentation of invited & contributed papers and deliberations on issues on the following sub themes:

- Managing change in the 21st century
- Managing and organising knowledge
- Innovative and emerging technologies
- Human Resource Development
- Copyright, IPR licensing and ethical usage of resources
- Open access to scholarly communication
- E-resource management
- Open source software.

Based on the deliberations the following recommendations were made as resolutions of the 59th ILA International Conference:

- 1. ILA should organize short term continuing education training programmes, workshops etc. on regular intervals to build awareness about ICT tools and applications to keep professionals abreast of the latest developments in the LIS field.
- 2. ILA should work towards initiating a project on benchmarking of best practices in the country and develop parameters for quality assurance in service delivery and share them through its website and other publications.
- 3. ILA should play an active role in advocacy of Open Access and approach UGC, MHRD, CSIR etc. to develop a mandate for adoption of Open Access policy by institutions of higher education, R&D institutions. ILA has to play an active role in supporting the educational institutions in developing interoperable institutional repositories.
- 4. ILA should take up an active role in developing a policy for digitization of resources in the country and pooling resources to archive, preserve and disseminate indigenous historical and cultural assets.
- 5. ILA must take up the issue of establishing a National Board of Accreditation for Assessment of Library & Information Science schools and develop mechanism for controlling the unplanned proliferation of LIS schools in the country with UGC and MHRD.
- 6. Information Literacy and Lifelong Learning are key elements for the development of generic capabilities of individuals and needs to be included in the core and continuing education of information professionals, educators, policymakers, administrators etc. This needs to be embedded in education and training programs at all levels and ILA needs to take up the issue with UGC, educations Boards and MHRD for mandating its inclusion in the curriculum at all levels.
- 7. To increase the employability of LIS professionals soft skills training need to be embedded in the LIS curriculum. ILA needs to take up the issue with UGC and MHRD in mandating its inclusion in the curriculum at all levels by the LIS schools.
- 8. Major developments have taken place in the last one decade and the LIS curriculum across the country needs complete overhauling. The CDC report (2001) of UGC needs to be revised keeping in view the present day requirements. ILA needs to take up this with the UGC for revision of the CDC report.

OBITUARY



Dr. Harish Chandra (02.01.1954 to 14.06.2014)

Dr. Harish Chandra was born on 2nd January 1954 at Etah (UP), India. He served as Librarian, Indian Institute of Technology Madras from January 1995 to June 2014. Prior to this, he also worked in IIT Delhi, Geological Survey of India and Indian Institute of Foreign Trade. His qualifications include; M.A. - Economics, Public Administration, M.L.I.Sc, Ph.D., Library Automation Training from University of Cambridge, UK and in Digital Library from University of Tilburg, Netherlands. He was actively engaged in the development of networked collaborations, digital initiatives, electronic security, e-commerce applications, information literacy and integration of new information technologies into library and information services.

He also served on several important bodies, i.e. Digital Library Committee, Task Force for higher education library system - Government of India, Governing Board Member of DELNET, National Consultant (Library Management) for World Bank project on forestry research education and extension, Advisor of Union Public Service Commission, Member National Steering Committee for INDEST-AICTE Consortium, Advisory Committee on "e-Granthalaya", President of SLA Asian Chapter 2012, Standing Committee Member of International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA) for the term 2009-2013, etc.

Dr. Harish Chandra has received several national and international honors and awards including SIS Fellowship 2008, Punjab Librarian Award 2008, Silver Rolling Trophy for being selected as Best Maintained Library in Colleges for the year 2007, Best Technology Librarian Award 2004, Dr. S.R. Ranganathan Award for best library services, SALIS 2005 Life Time Achievement Award and Gold Medal, 2010 SLA Asian Professional Award 2010, The 2011 Bonnie Hiditch International Librarian Award of SLA, etc.

He has contributed more than 90 papers in international and national journals, festschrift volumes and conference proceedings and also guided and handled various projects. He has chaired a number of technical sessions, presentations and delivered number of invited talks, keynote and inaugural addresses in India and abroad. He has five edited books to his credit. He has organized various professional events like NACLIN, READIT, SIS, IASLIC, INDEST Meet, etc. He served on the Editorial Board of The Review of Information Networking, OCLC Systems, Journal of Digital Information Management, Journal of Mathematical & Physical Sciences, Journal of Digital Information, SALIS Journal of Library and Information Science, Journal of Community Informatics, Proceedings of the First IEEE International Conference on Digital Information Management 2006, etc.

Dr. Harish Chandra has visited 20 countries including UK, Australia, Germany, France, Norway, Italy, Switzerland, Sweden, Netherlands, Thailand, Poland, Dubai, Sharjah, Hong Kong, Malaysia, Singapore, and Sri Lanka. He was having the mastery over many languages including Hindi, English, Bengali and Tamil. He has been listed in various international and national biographical sources.

Dr. Harish Chandra left for heavenly abode on June 14, 2014 while in service as Librarian, IIT Madras.

The ILA fraternity pays homage to the departed soul.

PERSONALIA



Mr. Jayaprakash (Hugar) gets PhD in Library and Information Science

Mr. Jayaprakash (Hugar), Librarian, Dnyanprassarak Mandal's College of Arts, Science and Commerce, Mapusa, has qualified for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Library and Information Science for his thesis entitled "Productive Use of Internet and Its Impact on Professional College Students and Faculties in Goa State: An Evaluative Study".

He carried out his work under the guidance of Dr. B.U. Kannappanavar, Dept of Library and Information Studies, Kuvempu University, Karnataka. The Degree is conferred on him at the hands of Sri Hansraj Bhardwaj, Chancellor and Governor of Karnataka on 24th (held on 19th March 2014) Convocation ceremony of Kuvempu University, Shivamogga.

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