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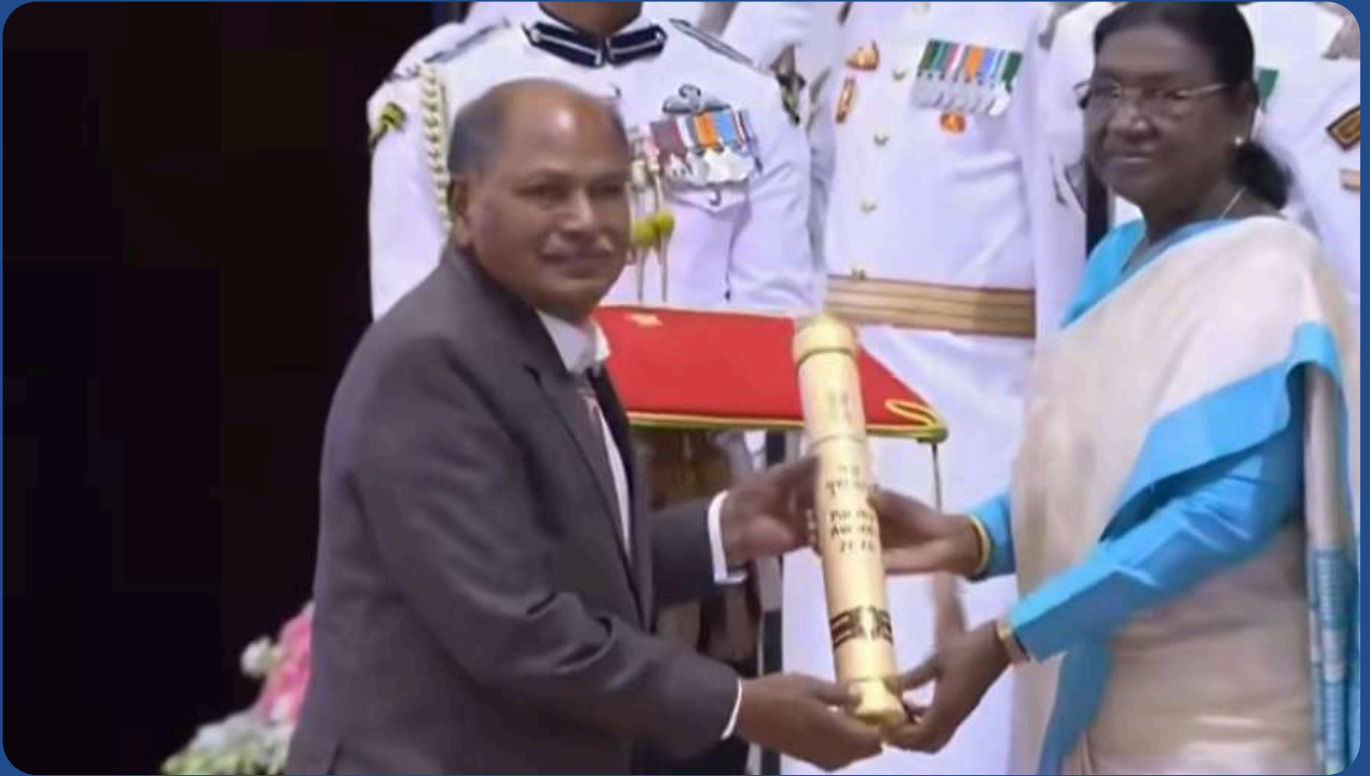
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# Article

## OpenAI Launches New Real-Time Voice Models for AI Applications

By R. S. Venkat Raj

OpenAI has introduced three advanced voice models designed for real-time speech applications, marking a significant step forward in voice-based artificial intelligence. Announced on 7 May 2026, the new models aim to make interactions with AI more natural, responsive, and human-like. The voice models are capable of understanding spoken language with greater accuracy and generating realistic speech responses in real time. They can handle natural conversational elements such as pauses, emotions, tone variations, and different speaking styles, creating a smoother and more engaging user experience. Developers can also customize voices to suit specific applications and industry requirements.

A key feature of the new models is their ability to process and respond to speech with minimal delay, making them suitable for virtual assistants, customer support systems, educational platforms, accessibility tools, and AI-powered conversational interfaces. The technology also supports multiple languages, enabling wider global adoption. The launch reflects the growing shift from text-based AI interactions toward voice-first communication systems. As voice technologies continue to evolve, they are expected to play an increasingly important role in sectors such as education, healthcare, business communication, entertainment, and digital services. For libraries and information centres, these developments may open new possibilities for voice-enabled information retrieval, virtual reference services, multilingual user support, accessibility services for persons with disabilities, and AI-assisted learning environments.

Sources:

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## Events Organised

### Special Lecture on “Youth for My Bharat & Youth for Digital Literacy” Held at Government First Grade College



Government First Grade College, Madana Hipparaga, successfully organized a Special Lecture on “Youth for My Bharat & Youth for Digital Literacy” for students. The resource person, Dr. Savitri Krishna of Government First Grade and PG College, Afzalpur, delivered an informative and inspiring lecture highlighting the role of youth in nation

-building and the importance of digital literacy in the contemporary world..

The programme created awareness among students about digital empowerment, responsible use of technology, and their contribution towards building a progressive and digitally inclusive India. The lecture was well received by the participants and served as a valuable platform for motivating students to actively engage in national development initiatives and digital learning.

## DLIS, Mizoram University Organises Farewell Programme for Prof. Pravakar Rath



The Department of Library and Information Science (DLIS), Mizoram University, organized a farewell programme in honour of Prof. Pravakar Rath at the Dean SEMIS Conference Hall. The programme was chaired by Prof. Manoj Kumar Verma, Head of the Department. Faculty members, retired colleagues, research scholars, and students paid tribute to Prof. Rath's distinguished contributions to the department, Library and Information Science education, and academic administration. Speakers highlighted his leadership in organizing seminars, workshops, conferences, and various initiatives that strengthened the department and benefited the LIS community.

During the programme, colleagues and students shared their experiences and expressed gratitude for his guidance, mentorship, teaching excellence, and commitment to the development of LIS education in Mizoram. Prof. Rath was widely appreciated for his professional integrity, administrative abilities, and supportive nature. A special highlight of the event was the presentation of the recently published book *Reimagining LIS in the Age of Artificial Intelligence: Innovation, Systems and Services* (A Festschrift in Honour of Prof. Pravakar Rath), recognizing his academic contributions and professional legacy.

In his farewell address, Prof. Rath reflected on his journey at Mizoram University, shared his experiences, and reiterated his commitment to the advancement of Library and Information Science. The programme concluded with felicitations and best wishes from faculty members, students, and well-wishers.

## Faculty Orientation Programme on Digital Library Resources and QR Code Launch Held at Government First Grade College, Mysuru

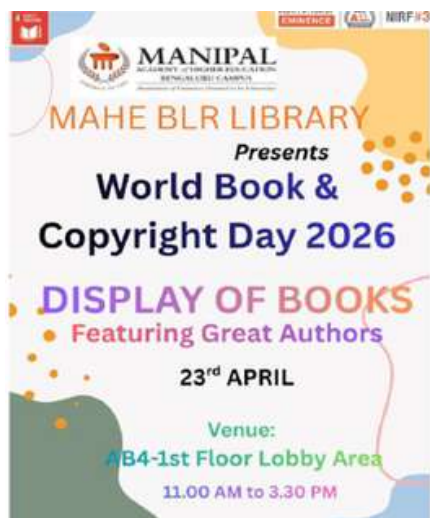
The Library and Information Centre, Government First Grade College, Siddartha Layout, Mysuru, organized a One-Day Faculty Orientation Programme on "Use of the Digital Library and E-Learning Resource Centre". The programme aimed to familiarize faculty members with the effective use of digital library resources, e-learning platforms, and online academic content to support teaching, learning, and research activities. Participants were introduced to various digital services and



resources available through the library.

A key highlight of the programme was the launch of the Library QR Code, designed to provide quick and convenient access to library resources, services, and digital collections through mobile devices. The orientation programme enhanced awareness of digital learning tools and reinforced the institution's commitment to promoting technology-enabled library services and information access.

## MAHE Bengaluru Campus Celebrates World Book and Copyright Day 2026



The Department of Library and Information Sciences (DLIS), MAHE Bengaluru Campus, celebrated World Book and Copyright Day 2026 through a thoughtfully curated book display and an exhibition showcasing the profiles of renowned authors.

The programme was organized to promote reading culture, create awareness about the importance of books and copyright, and encourage

students and faculty members to explore the contributions of distinguished authors to literature and knowledge creation.

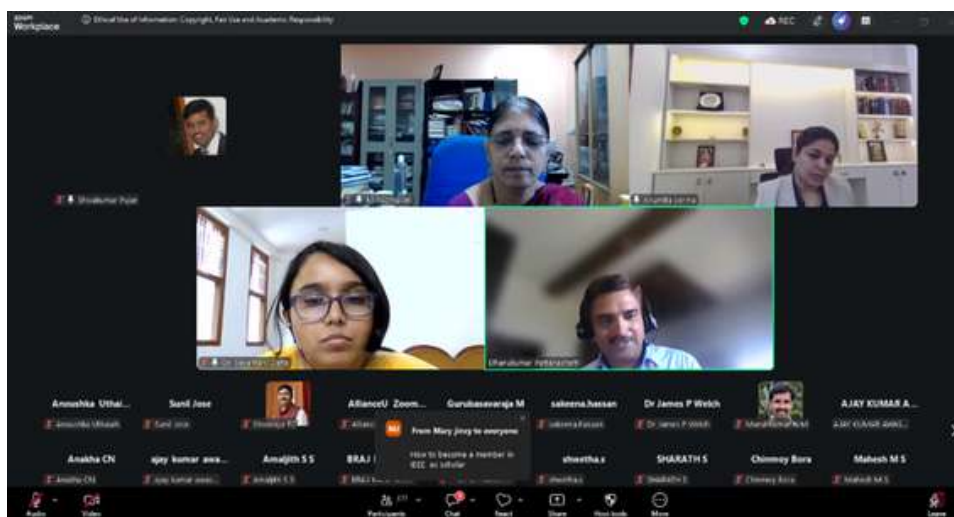
The specially arranged display highlighted a diverse collection of books across disciplines, while the author showcase introduced participants to the lives and works of celebrated writers whose contributions have shaped global literature and intellectual discourse.

The initiative received enthusiastic participation and reinforced the role of the library as a vibrant centre for learning, reading, and intellectual engagement. The celebration also reaffirmed the institution's commitment to fostering a culture of reading and lifelong learning among its academic community.

## Alliance University Organises Session on Ethical Use of Information and Academic Responsibility

On the occasion of World Book and Copyright Day and World Intellectual Property Rights Day 2026, the Central Library, Alliance University, in collaboration with the Alliance Centre for Intellectual Property Rights (ACIPR) and the IPR Cell, organized an online academic session on "Ethical Use of Information: Copyright, Fair Use and Academic Responsibility" on 25 April 2026.

The session featured eminent experts including Dr. Padmavati Manchikanti, Professor, Rajiv Gandhi School of Intellectual Property Law, IIT Kharagpur; Ms. Anumita Verma, Advocate, Supreme Court of India and Delhi High Court; and Dr. Dhanu Pattanashetti, Senior IEEE Client Services and University Partnership Program Manager, IEEE, Bengaluru. The programme was moderated by Dr. Sayantani Datta



Assistant Professor, Alliance School of Law.

The speakers shared valuable insights on copyright laws, fair use practices, intellectual property rights, academic integrity, and the ethical use of information in teaching, learning, and research. The discussions emphasized the responsibilities of students, researchers, faculty members, and library professionals in maintaining

ethical academic practices.

An interactive panel discussion and question-and-answer session enabled participants to engage with contemporary issues and practical challenges related to copyright and intellectual property rights. The programme served as a meaningful platform for promoting awareness of responsible information use and academic ethics within the university community.

## INFLIBNET Regional Training Programme on Library Automation Inaugurated at Kakatiya University



A five-day INFLIBNET Regional Training Programme on Library Automation was inaugurated on 4 May 2026 at the Senate Hall of Kakatiya University, Warangal, as part of the university's Golden Jubilee celebrations.

Delivering the inaugural address, Prof. Devika P. Madalli, Director, INFLIBNET Centre, Gandhinagar, emphasized that rapid technological advancements are transforming library services and highlighted the importance of creating awareness about INFLIBNET services

and providing hands-on training in SOUL 3.0 library automation software. She noted the growing impact of initiatives such as One Nation One Subscription, Shodhganga, ShodhShuddhi, VIDWAN, ShodhPrabha, and SWAYAM in strengthening academic and research ecosystems.

Presiding over the programme, Prof. K. Pratap Reddy, Vice Chancellor, Kakatiya University, described libraries as one of the three pillars of higher education and stressed the need to strengthen library infrastructure in the era of digital transformation and artificial intelligence. He urged participants to utilize the training programme to enhance their professional skills and improve library services.

The programme also featured addresses by Prof. A. R. D. Prasad, retired Professor from Bengaluru, Prof. Y. Srinivasa Rao, Librarian, NIT Warangal, and Prof. B. Suresh Lal, Dean, who highlighted the growing importance of digital technologies and open-source solutions in libraries.

Dr. B. Radhika Rani, Head of the Department and Coordinator of the programme, informed that more than 50 library professionals had registered for the training, which includes extensive practical sessions on library automation and digital library services. The programme witnessed participation from librarians, faculty members, researchers, students, and retired library professionals.

## 4th All Kerala Librarians' Meet (AKLM-2026) Successfully Held at Vimala College, Thrissur



4th edition of the All Kerala Librarians' Meet (AKLM-2026) was successfully organized at Vimala College (Autonomous), Thrissur, bringing together library and information professionals from various academic and research institutions across Kerala.

The annual gathering served as an important platform for professional interaction, knowledge exchange, and strengthening collaboration among members of the Library and Information Science (LIS) community in the state. Participants engaged in discussions on current trends, challenges, and opportunities in librarianship, fostering a spirit of cooperation and professional development.

The event witnessed enthusiastic participation from library professionals and was appreciated for its systematic planning and effective organization. The meet reflected the collective commitment of the LIS fraternity towards advancing library services and promoting professional networking.

The successful conduct of AKLM-2026 was made possible under the leadership of Dr. Stanley James and his dedicated organizing team, whose efforts were widely appreciated by the participants.

## ONOS User Awareness Programme Conducted at GBPUA&T, Uttarakhand



The Information and Library Network (INFLIBNET) Centre, in collaboration with Govind Ballabh Pant University of Agriculture and Technology (GBPUA&T), Uttarakhand, successfully organized a User Awareness Programme on One Nation One Subscription (ONOS) and INFLIBNET Services on 7 May 2026.

The programme aimed to create awareness among faculty members, researchers, students, and library professionals about the

benefits and opportunities offered through the ONOS initiative and various INFLIBNET services. Experts from INFLIBNET Centre delivered informative sessions highlighting access to scholarly resources, digital library services, research support tools, and national academic information infrastructure.

The event witnessed enthusiastic participation, with more than 150 participants attending the programme and benefiting from the expert lectures and interactive discussions. The sessions provided valuable insights into maximizing the use of electronic resources and research support services available through ONOS and INFLIBNET.

The programme contributed significantly to enhancing awareness and effective utilization of digital information resources within the academic community.

**Event Video:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3FJzEvuLkso>

## Alliance University Conducts Training Session on Turnitin Feedback Studio and Turnitin Originality



The Central Library, Alliance University, organized a training session on “Turnitin Feedback Studio (TFS) and Turnitin Originality” on 28 April 2026 in hybrid mode. The programme was conducted by Mr. Akshay Prasanna, Customer Engagement Manager – South Asia, Turnitin, and witnessed active participation from faculty members, research scholars, and students.

The session aimed to create awareness about academic integrity, plagiarism prevention, responsible scholarly communication, and the ethical use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) tools in academic and research writing. In the context of increasing use of AI-generated content in assignments, dissertations, research papers, and publications, the programme emphasized the importance of maintaining originality and ethical research practices.

The resource person explained the features and applications of Turnitin Feedback Studio and Turnitin Originality, highlighting how these tools assist educators and researchers in identifying similarity, evaluating authenticity, and ensuring transparency in academic work.

A live demonstration on document submission, similarity report analysis, citation verification, and feedback mechanisms provided participants with practical exposure to the platform. The session enhanced participants’ understanding of best practices in citation, plagiarism prevention, and the effective use of technology to uphold the quality and credibility of scholarly communication in the digital and AI-driven environment.

## Alliance University Conducts Training Session on IEEE Electronic Library for Research and Innovation

The Central Library, Alliance University, organized a training session on “IEEE Electronic Library: The Ultimate Resource for Advanced Research, Innovation, and Learning” on 8 May 2026 in hybrid mode. The programme was conducted by Mr. Manjunath S. R., Regional Sales Manager, and attracted active participation from faculty members, research scholars, and students. The session focused on creating awareness about the effective use of the IEEE Electronic Library as a valuable resource for academic learning, research, innovation, and scholarly publishing. The resource person highlighted the significance of accessing high-quality research literature through IEEE journals, conference proceedings, standards, and technical publications.



Participants were introduced to advanced search strategies, filtering techniques, citation management tools, and methods for retrieving relevant scholarly content efficiently. The session also covered important aspects of research publishing, including journal selection, understanding indexing and impact metrics, identifying and avoiding predatory journals, and enhancing research visibility through author identifiers such as ORCID and Scopus Author ID.

The programme provided valuable guidance for researchers and academicians seeking to strengthen their research and publication skills and effectively utilize digital scholarly resources for academic excellence.

## Indian Library Association Organizes National Webinars on AI, IPR, and User-Centric Library Services



The Indian Library Association (ILA) organized three national webinars during May 2026, focusing on contemporary issues and emerging developments in Library and Information Science. The programmes provided a valuable platform for professional learning, knowledge sharing, and discussion among librarians, academicians, researchers, and students from across the country.

The first webinar, held on 6 May 2026, featured Dr. Manju Dubey, Librarian, R.S. Mundle Dharampeth Arts and Commerce College, Nagpur, who delivered a lecture on "Understanding Importance of IPR and Digital Copyright in the AI-Empowered Knowledge Ecosystem." The session focused on intellectual property rights, digital copyright, ethical use of information, and challenges associated with AI-generated content in academic and research environments.

The second webinar, conducted on 13 May 2026, was delivered by Dr. Vikram Kumar Sharma, University Librarian, Central University of Himachal Pradesh, Dharamshala, on "The Essence of Library and Information Services in the AI Era: Challenges and Opportunities." The webinar explored the impact of Artificial Intelligence on library services, changing user expectations, technological innovations, and the evolving role of library professionals.

The third webinar, organized on 23 May 2026, featured Dr. Rashmi T. Kumbhar, Librarian, Dhirubhai Ambani University, Gandhinagar, Gujarat, who spoke on "Enhancing Library Visibility and User Participation through Customised Services." She highlighted innovative strategies for improving user engagement, promoting library resources, and developing personalized services to enhance the visibility and relevance of libraries.

The programmes were conducted under the leadership of Dr. Pardeep Rai (President, ILA), Dr. Dharam Kumar (General Secretary, ILA), Dr. Vineeta Jain (Chairperson of the Webinars), and Dr. O. Shivashankar Prasad (Convenor).

The webinars witnessed enthusiastic participation from librarians, faculty members, research scholars, and students across the country, making them informative, interactive, and professionally enriching.

# Forthcoming Events

## Workshop-cum-Hands-on Training Programme on Koha and DSpace



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| 6-DAY WORKSHOP SCHEDULE      |   |   |   |
|------------------------------|---|---|---|
| DAY                          | TOPICS & CONTENT  | TOOLS   | FOCUS AREA                              |
| <b>DAY 1</b><br>22 JUNE 2026 | <b>Introduction &amp; Overview</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Overview of Koha &amp; DSpace</li> <li>Role in Libraries, Research &amp; Scholarly Communication</li> <li>Installation Requirements &amp; System Setup</li> <li>Interface Overview</li> </ul>   |    | Installation & Basics                   |
| <b>DAY 2</b><br>23 JUNE 2026 | <b>Koha – Fundamentals (Part I)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Koha Installation (Liburna)</li> <li>Staff Login &amp; Global System Preferences</li> <li>Library Branches, Item Types,               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Authorized Values</li> <li>MARC Bibliographic &amp; Authority Records</li> </ul> </li> </ul>  |    | Modules & Core Setup                    |
| <b>DAY 3</b><br>24 JUNE 2026 | <b>Koha – Fundamentals (Part II)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Patrons Management &amp; Categories</li> <li>Circulation Module (Issue, Return, Renewal)</li> <li>Cataloging (Adding Books, Copy &amp; Item Records)</li> <li>Search, OPAC Interface &amp; User Features</li> </ul>   |    | Daily Operations                        |
| <b>DAY 4</b><br>25 JUNE 2026 | <b>DSpace – Repository Basics (Part I)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Introduction to DSpace</li> <li>Installation &amp; Configuration</li> <li>Communities, Collections &amp; Items</li> <li>Metadata (Dublin Core &amp; Qualified DC)</li> <li>Submission Process (Workflow)</li> </ul>   |    | Repository Setup & Configuration        |
| <b>DAY 5</b><br>26 JUNE 2026 | <b>DSpace – Advanced &amp; Management (Part II)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>User Roles &amp; Permissions</li> <li>Item Management &amp; Withdrawal</li> <li>Workflow Customization &amp; Authorization</li> <li>DSpace PMB &amp; Interoperability</li> <li>Backups, Statistics &amp; Best Practices</li> </ul>   |  | Administration & Advanced Features      |
| <b>DAY 6</b><br>27 JUNE 2026 | <b>Integration, Analytics &amp; Best Practices</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Koha &amp; DSpace Integration Overview</li> <li>Reporting &amp; Analytics</li> <li>Data Export &amp; Metadata Harvesting</li> <li>Co-occurrence, Co-occurrence, Citation</li> <li>Conditioning, Bibliographic Coupling</li> <li>Best Practices &amp; Real-world Use Cases</li> <li>Q&amp;A, Feedback &amp; Certification</li> </ul> |  | Integration, Analytics & Best Practices |

Hands-on Practical Sessions | Expert Guidance | Latest Tools | Interactive Sessions | Group Activities | Real-life Case Cases

**E-CERTIFICATE WILL BE PROVIDED** | Minimum 80% attendance is mandatory to receive the e-certificate.

**KEY HIGHLIGHTS**

- Hands-on practical sessions
- Step-by-step demonstrations
- Real-life examples & case studies
- Resource materials & recordings (if online)
- Certificate of Participation
- Post-workshop support

**LEARNING OUTCOMES**

- Automate library operations using Koha
- Build and manage digital repositories with DSpace
- Analyze research trends and visualize networks using tools
- Apply skills to enhance library services and research visibility

**DAILY SESSION PLAN**

Each day will include:

- Session 1 : Theory & Concepts
- Session 2 : Hands-on Practical
- Session 3 : Discussion & Q&A

**CERTIFICATE CRITERIA**

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**SCAN TO REGISTER**



**REGISTER NOW!**

An intensive Workshop-cum-Hands-on Training Programme on Koha and DSpace will be organized from 22–27 June 2026 for Library and Information Science (LIS) students and library professionals. The programme is specially designed for BLISc students and fresh LIS graduates, providing practical exposure to Koha Integrated Library Management System and DSpace Institutional Repository Software. Participants will gain hands-on experience in library automation, cataloguing, circulation management, repository creation, and digital resource management. Library professionals interested in enhancing their technical skills are also encouraged to participate. No registration fee is required for LIS students, while participation is limited to 40 seats to ensure effective practical training. The workshop aims to bridge the gap between theoretical knowledge and practical application, equipping participants with skills essential for modern library and information centres.

### Registration Link:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdTSbLfagZ4TjGcgKUqemYWQfuGhngnkVIJEbjSDkZjBCIr3Q/viewform?usp=header>

## IIM Calcutta to Organise National Workshop on Data Carpentry and AI/ML Tools for Libraries

The B. C. Roy Memorial Library, Indian Institute of Management Calcutta, will organize the Third Edition of the Four-Day National Workshop on “Data Carpentry and AI/ML Tools for Libraries” from 20–23 August 2026.

The workshop aims to equip library and information professionals with practical knowledge and skills in data management, data carpentry, artificial intelligence (AI), and machine learning (ML) applications relevant to modern library services. Participants will gain insights into emerging technologies, data-driven decision-making, and innovative approaches to library operations and user services. The programme is expected to benefit librarians, information professionals, researchers, and LIS students seeking to enhance their competencies in the rapidly evolving digital information environment.

## IFLA SciTech Section to Host Webinar on Kyoto International Manga Museum

The Science and Technology Libraries Section of IFLA will organize an international webinar titled “Kyoto International Manga Museum as a Hub of Knowledge and Community” on 5 June 2026. The webinar will explore the unique role of the Kyoto International Manga Museum, Japan, as both a cultural institution and a research centre. The session will highlight how manga serves as a medium for knowledge sharing, cultural preservation, and community engagement, while also supporting interdisciplinary academic research.

The speakers include Yoo Sookyung, Lecturer at Kyoto Seika University and member of the International Manga Research Center, and Otani Keiko, Librarian at the Kyoto International Manga Museum. They will discuss the museum’s collections, research activities, and its contribution to preserving and promoting manga culture. The webinar will be conducted in English with live translated captions and is expected to attract librarians, researchers, cultural heritage professionals, and members of the international library community.

**Registration Link:** [bit.ly/Manga2026](https://bit.ly/Manga2026)

**Webinar Page:** <https://www.ifla.org/events/kyoto-international-manga-museum-as-a-hub-of-knowledge-and-community/>

## Call for Papers: XXIII Conference of the Serbian Library Association

The Serbian Library Association (SLA) has announced a Call for Papers for its XXIII International Conference, titled “Sustainable Models of Resource Management in Libraries,” to be held in Zlatibor, Serbia, from 14–16 December 2026. The conference will focus on sustainable approaches to managing library resources, including budgets, staff, collections, community engagement, digital transformation, artificial intelligence, open science, and green library initiatives. It aims to explore innovative strategies that strengthen libraries as resilient centres of knowledge, learning, and civic participation.

Submissions are invited from library and information professionals, researchers, educators, and practitioners on themes such as digital transformation, AI in library management, community engagement, staff development, ecological sustainability, and open access resources.

**Important Dates:**

**Paper Submission Deadline:** 20 August 2026

**Notification of Acceptance:** 20 September 2026

**Programme Announcement:** 10 October 2026

**Conference Dates:** 14–16 December 2026

**Venue:** Zlatibor Cultural Center, Zlatibor, Serbia

**Submission Email:** bds2026@bds.rs

## DRTC - ISI Bengaluru to Host International Conference ICKOLIS 2026

The Documentation Research and Training Centre (DRTC), Indian Statistical Institute (ISI), Bengaluru, will organize the International Conference on Knowledge Organization and Library Information Systems: Exploring Multidimensional Facets (ICKOLIS 2026) from 21–23 September 2026 at Bengaluru. Aligned with the vision of Viksit Bharat 2047, the conference aims to promote digital empowerment, equitable access to knowledge, and excellence in research through interdisciplinary collaboration and technological advancement. The programme will feature paper presentations, expert interactions, and networking opportunities, providing a platform for sharing innovative research and professional experiences in the LIS domain.

**Full Paper Submission Deadline:** 10 July 2026

**Conference Venue:**

Platinum Jubilee Auditorium Indian Statistical Institute, Bangalore Centre, Bengaluru, Karnataka,

**Conference Website:** <https://sites.google.com/ickolis.com/ickolis/home>

**Submission Email:** ickolis@isibang.ac.in

## Call for Papers: PLANNER 2026 Convention



**PLANNER 13<sup>th</sup> Convention**  
**PLANNER 2026**  
 18-20 November, 2026

**Paper Submission Open**  
 Submission Deadline:  
**30 June 2026**

**Theme**  
**Empowering Knowledge Ecosystems:  
 Collaborative, Inclusive and  
 Sustainable Libraries**

**Sub-themes:** Scan for more details

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|---|---|--|---|
| <p>Collaborative Library Services, Intelligent Discovery Tools and Digital Workflows for North-East Libraries</p> | <p>Digital Inclusion through Multilingual Tools, Accessibility Features and User-Centric Services</p> | <p>Sustainable Libraries through Digital Preservation and Long-term Knowledge Management</p> | <p>Indian Knowledge Systems (IKS), Best Practices, Research Metrics, Open Science, Library Technologies and Standards</p> |
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The 13th Convention of PLANNER (Promotion of Library Automation and Networking in North Eastern Region) will be held from 18–20 November 2026 at Gauhati University, Guwahati, Assam. The convention is being organized by INFLIBNET Centre, Gandhinagar, in collaboration with Gauhati University. The theme of PLANNER 2026 is “Empowering Knowledge Ecosystems: Collaborative, Inclusive and Sustainable Libraries.” The convention will provide a platform for library and information professionals, researchers, academicians, and students to discuss emerging trends, innovations, and best practices in the LIS field. The major sub-themes include collaborative library services,

intelligent discovery tools, digital workflows, multilingual and accessible library services, digital preservation, sustainable libraries, Indian Knowledge Systems (IKS), research metrics, open science, library technologies, and standards.

Paper submissions are now open, and interested authors are invited to contribute original research papers aligned with the conference theme.

**Paper Submission Deadline:** 30 June 2026

**Conference Dates:** 18–20 November 2026

**Venue:** Gauhati University, Guwahati, Assam

**Website:** <https://planner.inflibnet.ac.in>

**Email:** [planner2026@inflibnet.ac.in](mailto:planner2026@inflibnet.ac.in)

## International Conference on Bridging the Digital Divide for Sustainable Development



The PG Department of Library and Information Science and the Library of Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Tiruchirappalli, in collaboration with the Academic Library Association (ALA), Tamil Nadu, will organize an International Conference on “Bridging the Digital Divide for Sustainable Development: A Multidisciplinary Approach” on 26–27 June 2026 at Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Tiruchirappalli, Tamil Nadu. The conference aims to bring together academicians, researchers, librarians, information professionals, and scholars to discuss multidisciplinary approaches for addressing the digital divide and promoting sustainable development through equitable access to information and technology.

**Date:** 26–27 June 2026

**Venue:** Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Tiruchirappalli, Tamil Nadu

**Organized by:** PG Department of Library and Information Science & Library, Holy Cross College (Autonomous)

**In Collaboration with:** Academic Library Association (ALA), Tamil Nadu

## WBCLA to Organize International Conference on Librarianship in Transition

The West Bengal College Librarians’ Association (WBCLA), in collaboration with Vidyasagar Metropolitan College and in association with Vidyasagar College, Kolkata, will organize a Two-Day International Conference on “Librarianship in Transition: Problems, Challenges and Prospects” along with the XXXVII Annual General Meeting (AGM) of WBCLA on 27–28 June 2026 at Vidyasagar Metropolitan College and Vidyasagar College, Kolkata. Prof. (Dr.) Ajay Pratap Singh, Director General, National Library of India, Kolkata, will grace the conference as the Chief Guest. The conference will be directed by Dr. Arun Kumar Chakraborty, Professor, Department of Library and Information Science, Netaji Subhas Open University, Kolkata.

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The event aims to provide a platform for librarians, researchers, academicians, and information professionals to discuss emerging trends, challenges, and opportunities in the field of Library and Information Science. Keynote speakers include Sri Somnath Raha, former Vice-President of WBCLA and Ex-Senator, University of Calcutta, and Dr. Nimai Chand Saha, Librarian, Visva-Bharati University, Santiniketan. The conference is expected to facilitate knowledge sharing, professional networking, and discussions on the future of librarianship in the digital era.

**Venue:** Vidyasagar Metropolitan College and Vidyasagar College, 39 Sankar Ghosh Lane, Kolkata – 700006

**Dates:** 27–28 June 2026.

## International Conference on “Transforming Libraries through AI for a Smarter Knowledge Future (ICTL 2026)” Announces Publication Opportunity

Researchers, academicians, librarians, information professionals, and scholars are invited to participate in the International Conference on “Transforming Libraries through AI for a Smarter Knowledge Future (ICTL 2026)”, scheduled to be held on 19–20 June 2026. The conference will provide a platform for presenting innovative research and discussing emerging developments in Artificial Intelligence, Smart Knowledge Systems, Digital Transformation, and Information Management within the library and information science domain.

A major highlight of the conference is the opportunity for presented research papers to be considered for publication in the Indian Journal of Natural Sciences (IJONS) (ISSN: 0976-0997). The journal is indexed and abstracted in several recognized international databases and is covered in resources including the Clarivate Analytics Master Journal List and Zoological Record (Web of Science Coverage). The conference aims to foster scholarly exchange and encourage research on the application of emerging technologies in libraries and knowledge institutions, contributing to the development of smarter and more innovative information environments.

Conference Dates: 19–20 June 2026

**Theme:** Transforming Libraries through AI for a Smarter Knowledge Future (ICTL 2026)

## IFLA WLIC 2026 Invites Papers for Digital Humanities, AI and Research-Focused Sessions

The IFLA Digital Humanities and Digital Scholarship (DH-DS) Special Interest Group has invited librarians, researchers, information professionals, and scholars to submit papers and abstracts for various sessions at the IFLA World Library and Information Congress (WLIC) 2026, scheduled to be held in Busan, South Korea, from 10–13 August 2026.

Among the featured programmes is a Satellite Meeting on “Art Libraries in the Digital Era: AI, Immersion, and Cultural Preservation,” jointly organized by the IFLA Art Libraries Section (ALS) and the DH-DS Special Interest Group on 7 August 2026. The session will explore the role of emerging technologies in preserving and promoting cultural heritage.

Two major Open Sessions have also been announced:

- “Mind the Gap: The Role of Librarians in Supporting Responsible News Media Research Behaviors in the Age of AI,” organized by the IFLA News Media Section, Artificial Intelligence SIG, and DH-DS SIG.
- “Libraries and the Transformation of the Research Landscape,” featuring lightning talks on the impact of artificial intelligence, digital scholarship, and research innovation in libraries.

The call for papers provides an international platform for professionals to share research, innovative practices, and emerging developments in areas such as Artificial Intelligence, Digital Humanities, Digital Scholarship, Media Literacy, Research Support, and Cultural Preservation.

Conference: IFLA World Library and Information Congress (WLIC) 2026

**Venue:** Busan, South Korea

**Dates:** 10–13 August 2026

**Call for Papers Information:**

- **Open Sessions:** <https://2026.ifla.org/call-for-papers/>
- **Satellite Meetings:** <https://2026.ifla.org/satellite-meetings/>

## Call for Papers: Eighth International Conference on Real-time Intelligent Systems (RTIS 2026)

The Eighth International Conference on Real-time Intelligent Systems (RTIS 2026) will be held from 2–4 October 2026 in Bali, Indonesia. The conference is being organized by Islam Negeri Sunan Kalijaga Yogyakarta, Indonesia, and Digital Information Research Labs, India, with conference sessions scheduled at the Hilton Garden Inn, Bali.

RTIS 2026 aims to provide an international platform for researchers, academicians, professionals, and industry experts to present and discuss recent advances in real-time intelligent computing, artificial intelligence, big data analytics, machine learning, intelligent information systems, cloud and edge computing, Internet of Things (IoT), smart services, robotics, autonomous systems, natural language processing, and intelligent decision-support systems.

Selected papers will be published in Springer’s Lecture Notes in Networks and Systems (LNNS) series, which is indexed in major international databases including Scopus, EI Compendex, INSPEC, zbMATH, SCImago, and other recognized indexing services.

Important Dates

- **Paper Submission Deadline:** 20 July 2026
- **Notification of Acceptance:** 15 August 2026
- **Camera-Ready Submission:** 15 September 2026
- **Registration Deadline:** 15 September 2026
- **Conference Dates:** 2–4 October 2026

Researchers working in the fields of Artificial Intelligence, Data Science, Intelligent Systems, Real-Time Analytics, Smart Technologies, and related disciplines are encouraged to participate and submit their research contributions.

**Conference Website:** Paper submissions are now open, and interested authors are invited to contribute original research papers aligned with the conference theme.

**Paper Submission Deadline:** 30 June 2026

**Conference Dates:** 18–20 November 2026

**Venue:** Gauhati University, Guwahati, Assam

## Five-Day Training Programme on Open-Source Library Management Software

The Central Library, Indian Institute of Information Technology (IIIT) Bhubaneswar, Odisha, will organize a Five-Day Training Programme on Open-Source Library Management Software (Koha & WordPress) from 8–12 June 2026 at its campus in Argul, Khordha, Odisha.

The training programme is designed to provide participants with practical knowledge and hands-on experience in the use of Koha, one of the world's most widely used open-source Integrated Library Management Systems (ILMS), and WordPress, a popular content management system for developing and managing library websites and digital information services.

The programme will benefit librarians, library professionals, LIS students, and information managers seeking to enhance their skills in library automation, digital content management, and web-based library services. Participants will gain exposure to installation, configuration, customization, and management of open-source tools widely adopted in modern libraries.

**Programme Dates:** 8–12 June 2026

**Venue:** Indian Institute of Information Technology (IIIT) Bhubaneswar, Argul, Khordha, Odisha

**Theme:** Open-Source Library Management Software (Koha & WordPress)

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## KIIT to Organize International Conference on “Marching Beyond the Libraries: Create, Connect, and Continue

The Kalinga Institute of Industrial Technology (KIIT) Deemed to be University, Bhubaneswar, Odisha, will organize the International Conference on “Marching Beyond the Libraries: Create, Connect, and Continue” (ICMBL 2027) on 22–23 January 2027.

The conference aims to provide an international platform for librarians, information professionals, academicians, researchers, students, and industry experts to deliberate on the evolving role of libraries in a rapidly changing knowledge environment. The theme focuses on how libraries can innovate, collaborate, and sustain their services while responding to emerging technological, educational, and societal challenges.

ICMBL 2027 is expected to facilitate discussions on digital transformation, knowledge management, user engagement, information access, emerging technologies, research support services, and the future of libraries in the digital era. The conference will also offer opportunities for scholarly exchange, professional networking, and sharing of best practices among participants from India and abroad.

The event is being organized by the Kalinga Institute of Industrial Technology (KIIT) Deemed to be University, one of India's leading higher education institutions known for its commitment to innovation, research, and academic excellence.

# Success Story

## Mohamed Aziz: Rabat's Legendary Bookseller and Champion of Reading Culture



Mohamed Aziz, popularly known as the “Bookseller of Rabat's Medina,” has become an enduring symbol of reading culture and lifelong learning in Rabat, Morocco. His inspiring journey began in 1963, when, as a young orphan struggling to make a living, he started selling books from a small rug placed beneath a tree in Rabat's historic Medina, a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

With only nine books in his possession, Aziz gradually built a modest second-hand bookstore that would later become a cultural landmark. Over the decades, he developed a remarkable habit of reading for six to eight hours daily and is believed to have read more than 4,000 books, teaching himself multiple languages, including Arabic, French, English, and Spanish.

More than a bookseller, Aziz is regarded as an advocate of literacy and education. His bookstore has served as a meeting place for students, scholars, and readers, promoting the value of books in personal and social transformation.

Known for his famous belief that “those who can read are not thieves,” he has consistently emphasized trust, knowledge, and human dignity.

His life story highlights the transformative power of reading and the important role that books and libraries play in shaping informed and enlightened societies. Today, Mohamed Aziz stands as an inspiration to readers and library professionals worldwide, demonstrating how a lifelong commitment to books can influence generations.

## Bihar Village Head Builds ‘Five-Star’ Library Using Personal Funds

In an inspiring example of community leadership and commitment to education, Putu Devi, the elected head of Dabill Panchayat in Bihar, has built a modern, air-conditioned library using her own resources rather than waiting for government funding. The library has quickly emerged as a valuable learning centre for students and young aspirants in the region.

The initiative reflects the growing importance of community-driven library development in rural India, where access to quality educational infrastructure can significantly impact learning opportunities and

social progress. The library has become a symbol of empowerment, particularly for students who may not have adequate study facilities at home.

This remarkable effort demonstrates how visionary local leadership can contribute to educational development and promote a culture of reading and lifelong learning. The success of the initiative serves as an inspiration for communities across the country to invest in knowledge infrastructure and strengthen access to information at the grassroots level.

## Kakatiya University Signs MoU with INFLIBNET Centre



Kakatiya University has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Information and Library Network (INFLIBNET) Centre, marking an important step towards strengthening the university's academic and research infrastructure. The collaboration will facilitate access to a wide range of INFLIBNET services and digital resources for the university's students, researchers, and faculty members. The MoU also outlines the responsibilities and commitments of both institutions to ensure the

effective implementation and utilization of these services.

Through this partnership, the university community will benefit from enhanced access to scholarly information resources, research support services, and digital learning tools, thereby promoting academic excellence and research productivity. The initiative reflects Kakatiya University's commitment to strengthening its knowledge infrastructure and fostering a digitally empowered research environment.

## National Library of India Signs MoU with Jadavpur University



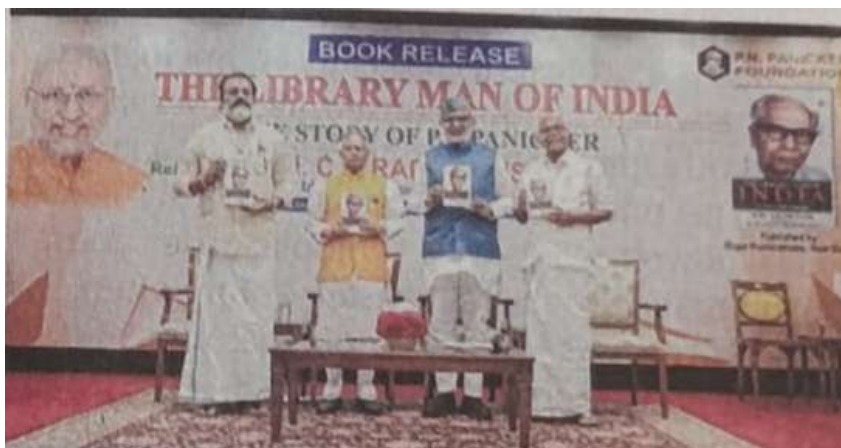
The National Library of India, Kolkata, and Jadavpur University, Kolkata, have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to promote academic collaboration and strengthen professional expertise in the field of Library and Information Science. The MoU was formally signed by Prof. A. P. Singh, Director General, National Library of India, and Prof. Chiranjib Bhattacharjee, Vice-Chancellor, Jadavpur University, in the presence of officials from both institutions.

The collaboration aims to facilitate academic cooperation, knowledge sharing, professional development, research initiatives, and capacity-building activities in areas related to library and

information services. The partnership is expected to create new opportunities for students, researchers, faculty members, and library professionals through joint programmes and collaborative projects. The agreement marks an important step towards strengthening institutional linkages and advancing library and information science education and research in India.

## Book Release

### Vice-President C. P. Radhakrishnan Calls for Revival of Libraries as Centres of Knowledge



Vice-President C. P. Radhakrishnan emphasized the need for libraries to re-emerge as centres of knowledge and creativity while expressing concern over the declining reading habits among young people. Speaking at a book release function in New Delhi, the Vice-President observed that a society that gradually stops reading loses its ability to think deeply. He stressed the importance of

nurturing a strong reading culture and strengthening libraries as institutions that promote knowledge, critical thinking, and lifelong learning.

On the occasion, he released the book “The Library Man of India: The Story of P. N. Panicker”, authored by P. P. Sathyan and published by Rupa Publications. The book chronicles the life and contributions of P. N. Panicker, widely regarded as the pioneer of the library movement in Kerala and a champion of literacy and reading culture in India.

The event highlighted the enduring role of libraries in education, intellectual development, and nation-building, while paying tribute to the remarkable legacy of P. N. Panicker and his contributions to the promotion of reading and public libraries.

**Source:** Deccan Herald, Bengaluru Edition, 23 May 2026.

## News you can use

### Karnataka State Library Association Shivamogga Unit Office Bearers Take Oath

The Karnataka State Library Association (KSLA) organised the swearing-in ceremony of the newly elected office bearers of its Shivamogga Unit at the Singara Auditorium, DVS College of Arts, Science and Commerce, Shivamogga, on 4 April 2026.

Addressing the gathering, Dr. S. L. Kadadevaramath, President of KSLA, emphasized the need to organise workshops, seminars, and library software training programmes for library professionals in Shivamogga district. Dr. H. P. Shekhar, General Secretary, highlighted the association’s efforts to advocate for greater recognition of librarians in government recruitment processes.



During the ceremony, Niranjana K assumed office as President of the Shivamogga Unit. Other elected office bearers included Dr. K. L. Chandrashekar and Harish M. R. (Vice Presidents), Dr. Girish Rathod (General Secretary), Manu S. Murthy (Organising Secretary), and Dr. G. M. Nagaraja Shastri (Treasurer). The oath of office was administered by Dr. H. P. Shekhar.

A special highlight of the programme was the felicitation of S. H. Hallur, retired librarian of DVS College, in recognition of his contributions to the profession. The event witnessed the participation of library professionals, academicians, and members of the association from across the region.

## Modern Movement Art Documentation Archive 2026 Released for Library and Archival Review

The Modern Movement Art Institutional Documentation Archive – 2026 has been released for review by libraries, archives, museums, cultural heritage institutions, and the scholarly community. The archive documents Modern Movement Art, a newly defined visual art form that considers motion as its primary visual element. The Phase I documentation includes materials related to the formal definition, classification, taxonomy, preservation, cataloguing, exhibition practices, and institutional responses associated with the emerging art form.

According to the documentation, the archive includes acknowledgements and references from institutions such as Crystal Bridges Museum of American Art, Museo Tamayo Documentation and Research Center, and the Vernadsky National Library of Ukraine, reflecting its engagement with museums, libraries, archives, and research organizations. The initiative aims to support long-term documentation, preservation, and knowledge access relating to contemporary artistic and cultural developments, while encouraging discussion within international library and archival communities.

## Delegation from Birmingham City University, UK Visits Panjab University Library



A delegation from Birmingham City University (BCU), United Kingdom, visited the Central Library, Panjab University, Chandigarh, on 12 May 2026 as part of an academic and institutional interaction programme. The visit provided an opportunity for knowledge exchange and discussions on library services, digital resources, research support, information management practices, and opportunities for future academic collaboration between the two institutions.

The delegation toured the Central Library facilities and interacted with library officials to gain insights into the library's collections, services, infrastructure, and initiatives supporting teaching, learning, and research at Panjab University.

## EU Prepares Record Fine Against Google Under Digital Markets Act

The European Union (EU) is reportedly preparing to impose a record fine on Google for alleged violations of the Digital Markets Act (DMA), the landmark legislation aimed at ensuring fair competition in the digital marketplace. According to media reports, the proposed penalty could amount to hundreds of millions of euros, making it the largest fine issued under the DMA to date. The investigation, launched in March 2025, focuses on allegations that Google has used its dominant position in online search to favor its own services, including shopping, travel, and AI-related products, over those of competing companies. EU regulators argue that such practices may limit competition and reduce consumer choice.

The European Commission has indicated that its primary objective is to ensure compliance with the DMA and create a more competitive digital environment. Google, however, has criticized the regulatory requirements, stating that the mandated changes have negatively affected the quality of its search services for European users.

The case is significant because it reflects the growing global scrutiny of major technology companies and their influence over digital information access. For librarians, researchers, information professionals, and digital content providers, the outcome of this case may have broader implications for search neutrality, information discoverability, digital competition, and access to online knowledge resources.

The final decision is expected before the European Commission's summer recess and could become a landmark precedent in the enforcement of digital market regulations worldwide.

Sources: Handelsblatt; Reuters; The Straits Times; Digital Today; Devdiscourse.

## 1.46 Lakh AI-Generated Fake Citations Entered Scientific Literature in 2025: Studies Raise Concerns

By Editorial Desk

The rapid adoption of Artificial Intelligence (AI) tools in academic writing has raised serious concerns about the integrity of scholarly communication. Recent studies have revealed that approximately 1.46 lakh AI-generated fake citations entered the scientific literature in 2025, with many fabricated references progressing from preprint servers into peer-reviewed journals.

The findings emerged from a large-scale study conducted by researchers from Cornell University, UCLA, and UC Berkeley, who analyzed more than 111 million citations across 2.5 million research papers published between 2020 and 2025. The study, titled "LLM Hallucinations in the Wild," identified references whose titles could not be verified through major academic databases such as Semantic Scholar, OpenAlex, and Google Scholar.

Researchers observed that the sharp rise in fabricated citations began around mid-2024, approximately eighteen months after the public release of ChatGPT and other generative AI tools. Rather than appearing in obviously fraudulent manuscripts, fake references were often scattered across otherwise legitimate research papers, suggesting that many authors may be unknowingly incorporating AI-generated citations without proper verification.

The study also highlighted weaknesses in current scholarly publishing safeguards. Nearly 78.8% of fabricated citations passed arXiv moderation, while 85.3% of hallucinated references in bioRxiv preprints later appeared unchanged in peer-reviewed publications indexed by PubMed Central.

A second study published in *The Lancet*, titled "Fabricated Citations: An Audit Across 2.5 Million Biomedical Papers," reported more than 4,000 fabricated references embedded within 2,810 peer-reviewed biomedical papers. The incidence of fabricated citations increased from approximately one in 2,828 papers in 2023 to one in 277 papers by early 2026, demonstrating a rapidly growing problem. Researchers warn that the continued presence of fake citations in scholarly databases could create a self-reinforcing cycle, as future AI models trained on contaminated literature may reproduce the same inaccuracies. They have recommended the implementation of automated reference verification systems, stronger editorial checks, and greater awareness among authors regarding the responsible use of AI tools in research and academic writing.

For libraries, publishers, and research institutions, these findings underscore the growing importance of information literacy, citation verification, academic integrity, and responsible AI use in scholarly communication.

Source: *The Times of India*, reporting on studies by researchers from Cornell University, UCLA, UC Berkeley, Columbia University, and other institutions.

## Appointments and Promotions

### Dr. Jivesh Bansal Assumes Charge as University Librarian of Panjab University



Dr. Jivesh Bansal has assumed charge as the University Librarian of Panjab University, Chandigarh, one of India's premier institutions of higher education. His appointment to this prestigious position marks an important milestone in his professional career and is expected to further strengthen library services, academic support, and information resource management at the university. Members of the Library and Information Science community have extended their congratulations and best wishes to Dr. Bansal for a successful and productive tenure in his new role.

## Prof. Mehtab Alam Ansari Appointed Chairman of DLIS, Aligarh Muslim University



Prof. Mehtab Alam Ansari of the Department of Library and Information Science (DLIS), Aligarh Muslim University (AMU) has been appointed as the Chairman of the Department of Library and Information Science for a period of three years, with effect from 3 May 2026. He succeeds Prof. M. Masoom Raza and will lead the department in its academic, research, and administrative activities. Prof. Ansari is a well-known academician and researcher in the field of Library and Information Science and has made significant contributions to LIS education and research.

## Dr Megha Vyas



Dr Megha Vyas has been Promoted as Professor of LIS at Sardar Patel University. The promotion recognizes years of dedicated service, academic excellence, research contributions, and commitment to higher education. The achievement marks an important step in the individual's professional journey and reflects continued contributions to teaching, research, and academic leadership.

## Awards

### Dr. John Neelankavil CMI Receives ALA Lifetime Achievement Award 2026

Dr. John Neelankavil CMI, a distinguished library consultant and senior LIS professional, was honoured with the ALA Lifetime Achievement Award 2026 during the inaugural session of the National Conference on “Partnership of Academic and Public Libraries for Excellence in Education and Sustainable Social Development” held at AIMS Amala, Kerala, on 23 May 2026. Dr. Neelankavil has made remarkable contributions to library development across India, serving as a consultant for more than 130 academic institutions and providing over 900 professional consultations.



He has successfully guided the establishment and modernization of over 60 major library infrastructure projects and has actively contributed to the profession through publications, conference presentations, and leadership roles in professional associations.

## Salek Chand Conferred IATLIS Lifetime Achievement Award 2026



Salek Chand, a distinguished Library and Information Science professional, was conferred the prestigious IATLIS Lifetime Achievement Award 2026 during the IATLIS International Conference held at Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli, Tamil Nadu, on 7 May 2026.

The award recognizes his significant contributions and long-standing service to the Library and Information Science profession. The honour was presented in the presence of leading LIS professionals and academicians from across the country.

## Dr. M. Krishnamurthy Receives Prof. Motiwale Best LIS Teacher Award



Dr. M. Krishnamurthy, Head, Documentation Research and Training Centre (DRTC), Indian Statistical Institute, Bengaluru, was honoured with the prestigious Prof. Motiwale Best LIS Teacher Award during the International Conference held at Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli, in May 2026.

The award recognizes his outstanding contributions to Library and Information Science education, research, teaching, and professional development. Over the years, Dr. Krishnamurthy

has played a significant role in advancing LIS education and mentoring generations of library professionals and researchers.

The honour was conferred in recognition of his dedication to academic excellence and his valuable contributions to the growth of the Library and Information Science profession.

## Prof. M. Doraswamy Receives Prof. A.G. Motiwale Best LIS Teacher Award 2025–2026



Prof. M. Doraswamy, Professor and Former Vice Chancellor of Dravidian University, Kuppam, Andhra Pradesh, has been honoured with the prestigious Prof. A.G. Motiwale Best LIS Teacher Award 2025–2026 by the Indian Association of Teachers of Library and Information Science (IATLIS).

The award was presented during the IATLIS International Conference held on 7 May 2026 in recognition of his outstanding contributions to

Library and Information Science education, teaching, research, and academic leadership.

Prof. Doraswamy has made significant contributions to the advancement of the LIS profession through his distinguished academic career, scholarly work, and leadership in higher education. His contributions have inspired generations of students, researchers, and library professionals across the country.

The LIS fraternity extends its heartfelt congratulations to Prof. M. Doraswamy on receiving this prestigious honour and wishes him continued success in his academic and professional pursuits.

## Dr. Chiranjevi L. M. Awarded Ph.D. in Library and Information Science



Dr. Chiranjevi L. M., Librarian, B.V.V.S. Shri S. R. Kanthi Arts, Commerce and Science College, Mudhol, Karnataka, has been awarded the Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Library and Information Science by Karnatak University. He formally received the degree during the University Convocation held on 23 April 2026.

His doctoral research, titled “Digital Library Infrastructure and Facilities in the University Libraries of Karnataka: An Evaluative Study,” was carried out under the guidance of Dr. Ramesh R. Naik.

# Obituary

## Theresa Williams



The Library and Information Science community mourns the sad demise of Ms. Theresa Williams, a respected library professional whose contributions to academic and special libraries are remembered with deep appreciation. Ms. Williams served the Indian Institute of Management Bangalore (IIMB) Library for nearly 20 years and was known for her dedication, professionalism, and warm personality. Prior to joining IIM Bangalore, she worked as Librarian at St. John's Medical College. After taking voluntary retirement in 1996, she continued her professional journey by joining Wipro.

## Shivashankar Murthy M.B



The Library and Information Science community is saddened by the demise of Shivashankar Murthy M.B., Retired Senior Librarian, Bangalore Medical College, Bengaluru, who passed away on 5 May 2026. Shivashankar Murthy served the profession with dedication and commitment throughout his distinguished career and was respected by colleagues and library professionals for his valuable contributions to academic librarianship.



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