



IASLIC 28th National Seminar – 2018

On

LIS Education in India: Present Scenario and Future Strategies

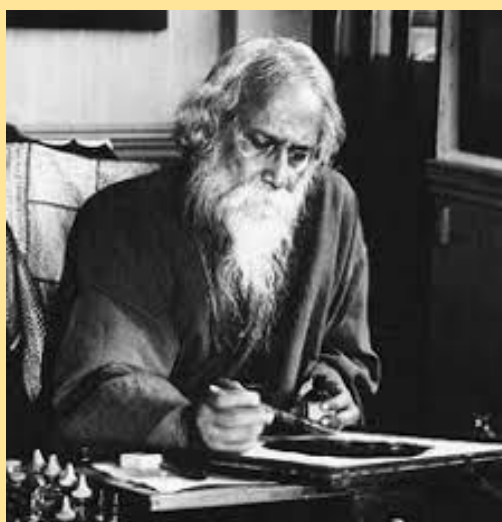
Special Interest Group Discussion

SIG 01 (Social Science Information) – *Rabindranath Tagore's Vision on Library and its relevance in New Era*

SIG 02 (Computer Application in LIS) – *Data Management in Libraries*

November 27 – 29, 2018

Venue: Lipika Auditorium, Visva-Bharati, Santiniketan



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Visva-Bharati (A Central University of National Importance)

Visva-Bharti at Santiniketan, located in a rural setting in the district of Birbhum, West Bengal, was founded by Gurudev Rabindranath Tagore in 1901 as a residential school “*Brahmacharya Ashrama*”. This Ashrama Vidyalaya became “*Visva-Bharati*” on December 23, 1921 and finally in 1951 it was declared as a Central University of national importance by an Act of Parliament of India. Visva-Bharati is about 160 km. away by road from Kolkata. The nearest railway station is Bolpur (Santiniketan) on the Eastern Railway and the air terminal is in Kolkata. The University campus is about 5 km. from the railway station. Santiniketan can be reached in a little over two hours from Kolkata by train covering 146 km. The weather in November remains moderate and the temperature ranges between 16⁰C and 30⁰C.

Visva-Bharati Library

The Library in Santiniketan started its journey with the establishment of the Ashrama Vidyalaya in 1901 with Tagore’s personal collection. Tagore emphasized reading of books for all-round development of the students. With the passage of time Visva-Bharati Library has grown with a comprehensive collection of about 8.54 lakh documents. The present library system comprises of Central Library, 12 sectional libraries and 30 seminar libraries. The Central Library itself has 441276 volumes of books, around 10,000 users and a daily transaction of 450 books. All the libraries of Visva-Bharati library system (<http://14.139.211.2/library/index.php>) are fully automated and networked. VB Library Network provides modern library services with the help of MediaWiki; RSS (feed); Remote Access (Open Athens) & Discovery Services; Mobile Apps; online database of digitized resources of around 30 thousand old and rare books; QR code; Ph. D. theses in the ShodhGanga Database; Registered Research Proposal in the ShodhGangotri Database, and URKUND anti-plagiarism software, to name a few.

About IASLIC

Indian Association of Special Libraries and Information Centres (IASLIC) is a non-profit organisation based in India that supports development in the entire field of special librarianship in India. IASLIC undertakes, supports, coordinates research and studies; conducts short-term training courses; organises general/special meetings, and holds seminars and conferences in alternate years on current problems of libraries and information centres and other allied areas. It also publishes journals, monographs, manuals, newsletters, papers, proceedings and reports.

About the Seminar

More than a century has passed since LIS education started in this country. John Macfarlane, the first Librarian of the Imperial Library, introduced in-house training programme for in-service professionals of the library in 1901. In subsequent years, the training programme was opened to the staff of other libraries and even to non-librarians, who were dealing with books and other documents. India has been slow in recognizing the importance of training for library and information workers. However, with the recent growth of library consciousness among the people, the importance of professional training is being recognized for providing

quality library/information services. Fortunately, India has made a unique and substantial contribution towards the emergence of library and information science as a full-fledged discipline. The function of a librarian is no more limited to issuing and receiving of books only, he needs to act beyond that; he has much more important role to play. He needs to arouse a real interest and curiosity in the minds of the users for acquiring knowledge; he needs to cultivate the reading habit among them. He should have the capability of fulfilling all types of requirements of the user community. Obviously, unless a person gathers sufficient knowledge and possesses the necessary professional skills, he will not be in a position to serve the users effectively. As the LIS education in the country is fast expanding, ensuring quality of such education has become essential. Though a large number of LIS schools has come up in recent decades, hardly any attention has been paid in many such schools towards developing infrastructure and manpower needed to impart quality education. Hence IASLIC has decided to provide a platform to library and information professionals for discussing future strategies in this regard in its forthcoming national Seminar.

In this context, it is a pleasure to announce that Visva-Bharati Library Network (VBLN) is organizing the **IASLIC 28th National Seminar 2018** during **November 27 – 29, 2018** at Lipika Auditorium (main venue) Visva-Bharati, Santiniketan, West Bengal, India.

Theme and Sub-Themes of the Seminar

Main Theme- LIS Education in India: Present Scenario and Future Strategies

The sub-themes of the main theme are:

1. Background: History and development of LIS education

- a) Genesis and progress of LIS education
- b) LIS education and Ranganathan
- c) Current national and state scenario
- d) I-School movement
- e) Role of UGC and professional associations in LIS education
- f) Trends and challenges of current LIS education system

2. General considerations

- a) Nomenclature and levels of courses
- b) Duration of courses and class hours
- c) Intake and teacher-student ratio
- d) Admission requirements: selection criteria
- e) Modes of LIS education and their efficacy
- f) Current education policy vis-a-vis LIS education

3. Infrastructure requirements

- a) Space requirements
- b) Financial requirements
- c) Manpower requirements (including core competencies of teachers)
- d) Requirements of teaching tools and equipment
- e) Requirements for practical training
- f) E-resources, including Open Access resources in LIS

4. Curriculum design, development and evaluation

- a) Factors to be considered for curriculum design
- b) Course structure and contents: contents for core and optional subjects
- c) Theoretical and practical components, including apprenticeship
- d) Specializations in LIS programmes
- e) Choice Based Credit System (CBCS)
- f) Evaluation of current syllabi of LIS schools – competencies expected vs. subjects taught

5 Teachers and teaching methods

- a) Required qualifications and experience of teachers (including professional experience)
- b) Updating of knowledge and skills of teachers
- c) Teaching methods – traditional and modern – and their efficacy
- d) Method of practical training of students
- e) Out-of-class assistance and consultation
- f) Evaluation methodology

6 Open and Distance Learning (ODL) in LIS

- a) Enrolment and eligibility
- b) Teaching Methodology: Teachers and Counsellors, Interactive Teleconferencing, Broadcasting and Computer-Aided Learning, Personal contact programmes, online programmes including MOOCs.
- c) Development of Course Materials: Self-Learning Materials (SLM) and Multimedia Materials
- d) Evaluation System
- e) Quality Issues in ODL
- f) Role of apex bodies like DEC and UGC

7 Library and Information Research

- a) Current Trend of LIS research
- b) Research on practical and emerging LIS Issues
- c) Multidisciplinary approaches in LIS research
- d) Applicability of research results
- e) Plagiarism and research ethics
- f) Challenges of LIS research

8 Quality assurance and accreditation of LIS schools and courses

- a) Need and importance
- b) Internal quality assurance
- c) Benchmarking and best practices
- d) Criteria for assessment
- e) Employability of present LIS trainees
- f) Quality indicators and accreditation standards

9 Comparative LIS Education and Research

- a) Comparative study of different aspects of LIS education in India and other countries
- b) Integration of international issues in LIS education
- c) Equivalence of LIS degrees
- d) Internationally recognized professional qualifications
- e) International collaboration in LIS education and research, Bologna Process
- f) Role of international organizations like IFLA, EUCLID, ALA, ALISE in LIS education

10 Future strategies

- a) Formulation of LIS education policy
- b) Restructuring/ Re-engineering LIS Education in Indian perspective
- c) Designing of need based curriculum
- d) Setting up of accrediting machinery
- e) Marketing of LIS education
- f) Use of Web 2.0 Technology in LIS education.

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP (SIG) MEETINGS

SIG 01: Social Science Information

Theme: Rabindranath Tagore's Vision on Library and its relevance in New Era

- A. Rabindranath's philosophy of library
- B. Tagore's concept of knowledge and its dissemination
- C. Relevance of Tagore's vision of library in the present era
- D. Rural library services in Tagore's model of rural reconstruction
- E. Tagore and Sriniketan: Experiment of rural reconstruction
- F. Ranganathan's Five Laws and Tagore's vision on libraries.

SIG 02: Computer Applications in LIS

Theme: Data Management in Libraries

I. Role of Librarians in Data Repositories

- a) R and R modules for LIS
- b) Research Data Management (RDM)
- c) Data Repository Software – Dataverse, CKAN, DKAN, Dryad etc.
- d) Copyright and Licenses Related to Data

II. Kinds of Data

- a) Sources of Data and 5V's data
- b) Open vs. Closed Data
- c) Open Standards for Publishing Data
- d) Linked Open Data

III. Data Publishing

- a) Workflow in Publishing Data
- b) Data Curation
- c) De-duplication and Validation of Data
- d) Metadata for Data – DCAT etc.

IV. Government Data Management

- a) Privacy and security issues
- b) Social and ethical issues in sharing data
- c) Challenges in making Data FAIR
- d) Challenges in creating 5 Star Data

General Instructions for Paper Submission:

1. Contributed papers will have to be of qualitative value for publication.
2. A generalised presentation should be avoided.
3. Full paper within 2500 words (not more than 10 pages of A4 size paper), along with an informative abstract (between 300 and 400 words), typed in double space on single side, in Times New Roman 12pt size font, with margin of 1.5" on all sides, should be submitted in

triplicate by September 30, 2018, along with Author's/ Authors' declaration duly signed by the author(s) in prescribed format in triplicate.

4. In addition, a softcopy of the full paper composed in MS Word should be submitted as an attachment through e-mail to iaslic.sem@gmail.com on or before September 30, 2018.
5. Author(s) should indicate the facet and topic of the paper distinctly.
6. The paper should be accompanied by an amount of 1000.00 (Rupees one thousand only) as paper submission fee, which will be adjusted only with the Registration Fee by the Organizing Secretary, subject to the production of the respective original receipt of IASLIC. Payment may be made by DD/Cheque in favour of **IASLIC** payable at **Kolkata** and sent to Shri Sajalkanti Goswami, Hony. General Secretary, IASLIC, P-291, CIT Scheme No. 6M, Kankurgachi, Kolkata - 700054. If the paper is not accepted, the amount will be refunded.
7. For bibliographical references, contributors are requested to strictly follow the IASLIC style mentioned in the 'Publication Policy and Guidelines for Authors' (available at http://www.iaslic1955.org.in/fckeditor/userfiles/file/Publication_policy_Guidelines_Auth_fina%2018.pdf)
8. Pre- Seminar volume will have only abstracts of accepted papers.
9. Accepted papers, which are presented in the Seminar, will only be published in the Post-Seminar volume.
10. Pre-declaration by the author(s) should be made separately that the paper has not been sent elsewhere for publication/presentation. This has to be sent in hard copy.
11. All accepted papers will be invited for presentation either in the main thematic sessions of the Seminar or in the SIG Meetings. Presenter will be allowed maximum fifteen minutes for presentation including interaction.
12. **There will be provision for Poster presentation.** All papers accepted for poster presentation will be allocated time for display of full papers. Abstracts of all papers accepted for poster presentation will be included in the pre-Seminar volume. There will be a provision for the Best Poster Presentation Award. Poster papers will not be published in the post-Seminar volume.
14. All registered participants will receive post-Seminar volume free of cost from IASLIC office. Additional Rs.150/- will be charged for postage and handling from those who wish to receive the volume through post.
15. The decision of the Editorial Committee will be final and no negotiation regarding the acceptance of papers for presentation in the Seminar or otherwise will be entertained.
16. Correspondence regarding papers should be addressed to Shri Sajalkanti Goswami, Hony. General Secretary, IASLIC, P-291, CIT Scheme No. 6M, Kankurgachi. Kolkata- 700054 or iaslic.sem@gmail.com or 9433426495.

***For any update, please visit at**

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www.iaslic1955.org.in**

Important Dates	
Date of Seminar	November 27- 29, 2018
Last Date of Submission of full paper	September 30, 2018
Acceptance	By October 12, 2018
Registration	September 01, 2018 onwards
Venue	Lipika Auditorium, Visva-Bharati, Santiniketan.

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2. Click Check Box to proceed for payment
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4. Select Corporate/Institution – “Educational Institutions” + Go
5. Select “VISVABHARATI UNIVERSITY”
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