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For Members only

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## IASLIC ACTIVITIES

### Appeal for Donation

The esteemed members of IASLIC are alive to the spiraling prices in the economy creating an acute financial stringency in carrying on the IASLIC activities. The learned members of its Governing Body in their 3<sup>rd</sup> GB Meeting held at Puducherry on 10<sup>th</sup> December 2012 and subsequently in the Annual General Meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> December 2012 during the 25<sup>th</sup> National Seminar decided to make an ardent appeal to the already enrolled Life Members of IASLIC to be generous to donate liberally at least Rs.1000/- to help IASLIC achieve its avowed objective.

Accordingly IASLIC extends this ardent appeal to all its esteemed Life Members to please come forward to help IASLIC by donating liberally at least Rs. 1000/- by DD / multicurrency cheque duly drawn in favour of IASLIC. The names will be published in the IASLIC Newsletter.

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### News at a Glance

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### Quote of the Month

*"A man will turn over half a library to make one book."*

- Samuel Johnson  
British Writer

### Appeal to Readers

News from different regions / states are solicited from IASLIC members for inclusion in the newsletter. Send such news to the Editor.

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### Plea to Abolish 5-Year MLIS Course

A joint deputation of IASLIC and BLA, comprising of Dr. Barun Mukherji, President, IASLIC; Dr. Shyamal Roychoudhury, President, Bengal Library Association; Prof. S B Banerjee, Vice-President, IASLIC; Dr. J N Satpathi, former President of IASLIC, Shri R K Saha, former President of BLA; and Prof. Arjun Dasgupta, former Vice-President of IASLIC, waited upon the honorable Vice-chancellor, University of Calcutta, Kolkata, on March 9, 2015, and submitted the following representation requesting him to take necessary steps to do away with the unspecified and irrational 5-year integrated MLIS course being run by the university, immediately:

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To  
Professor Suranjan Das  
Honourable Vice Chancellor  
University of Calcutta  
Kolkata-700073

Dated: March 09, 2015

**Subject: 5-Year integrated MLIS degree course at Calcutta University**

Respected Sir,

Your kind attention is invited to the UGC's Notification No F5-1/13(CPP-II), dated 21 August 2014, and its Gazette Notification, dated 5 July 2014, specifying the nomenclatures of the degrees to be offered by the universities. Your kind attention is also invited to the letter No 844-Edn(U)/1U(C)-65/2011, dated 24 October, 2011 (copy enclosed) from the Department of Higher Education, Government of West Bengal, seeking some information from the university with regard to the introduction of the 5-year integrated MLIS course only in the University of Calcutta despite the fact that the course was not within the specified courses of the UGC.

This Association, IASLIC, the national professional society in the field of Library and Information Science and Services and a representative organization in the country reiterates that:

1. This 5-year integrated MLIS course will complicate the present LIS education in West Bengal in particular and in the country in general;
2. This 5-year integrated MLIS course will aggravate already existing unemployment in the field;
3. This course in LIS is not considered as the prescribed qualification for employment in any sector and as such employment opportunity for the new degree holders will be negligible;
4. Since LIS is unlike other professional subjects like medical, engineering, accountancy, legal, etc. there is no scope for its practising independently;
5. Since LIS is a supporting subject to aid and assist the academicians, scholars, researchers, doctors, engineers, technologists, administrators, planners, decision makers, corporate managers, etc. relevant and compatible knowledge of the basic subjects, at least at the level of the Honours/Masters degree, if not more, is a must for any LIS professional to assist any user of a library qualitatively. Entry of any person in the 5-year integrated MLIS course, just after passing 10+2 course, will make one ineffective, imbecile and infructuous;
6. The UGC's Notification cited above also clearly indicates that at the entry of B Lib Sc/B Lib I Sc, Bachelor's degree is the minimum eligible qualification and B Lib Sc or B Lib I Sc is the minimum eligibility qualification for M Lib Sc/M Lib I Sc degree. The UGC has clearly stated in its notification cited above that **"Universities awarding unspecified degrees will attract appropriate stringent action."**
7. The Curriculum Development Committee of the UGC has also not recommended introduction of 5-year integrated MLIS course.

The National Conferences of the IASLIC held in different parts of the country have been raising protest against this unspecified MLIS course introduced in the University of Calcutta. Besides, the convention organized by this Association and the BLA (Bengal Library Association), the representative bodies in the field of LIS profession, in 2010, also protested against this irrational course.

You would appreciate that it is imperative to dispense with any experimentation that may create adverse impact not only on the higher education in the country but also on the profession, breaking away from the all-India pattern of the LIS education in the country. May we, therefore, request your goodself to take necessary steps to do away with carrying on with this unspecified and irrational 5-year integrated MLIS course immediately?

With warm regards,

Yours faithfully,

Sd/- Dr. Shyamal Roy Choudhury  
President, BLA

Sd/- Dr. Barun Mukherji  
President, IASLIC

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## CONFERENCES/SEMINARS/ WORKSHOPS

### National

#### Workshop on Copyright

The Society of Social Development and People's Action, New Delhi, in collaboration with Gandhi Peace Foundation, New Delhi, is organizing a Regional Workshop on 'Copyrights, Patent, Citation and their Impact Factor' on April 25, 2015, at Gandhi Peace Foundation, New Delhi. The Workshop will accommodate about 40 participants on first-come-first-served basis. The last date for registration is April 15, 2015. For details visit: [http://api.ning.com/files/7F975s5rOKhwIdfvDCBhjvd-GGndSzKKQ4ge11A-yBt1uhtVsQoniDzqWNn5juV7jaRtLxb3LV9V1Z6Z7m3bSH4SrOxtE/Workshop\\_brouchure.pdf](http://api.ning.com/files/7F975s5rOKhwIdfvDCBhjvd-GGndSzKKQ4ge11A-yBt1uhtVsQoniDzqWNn5juV7jaRtLxb3LV9V1Z6Z7m3bSH4SrOxtE/Workshop_brouchure.pdf)

#### Workshop on Open Source Software

The Mahatma Gandhi Central Library (MGCL), IIT Roorkee, will conduct a workshop for library professionals during May 4-8, 2015 on Koha, DSpace and Joomla. For details visit: <http://mgcl.iitr.ac.in> or [www.iitr.ac.in](http://www.iitr.ac.in)

#### Conference on Advancement in LIS

B S Abdur Rahman University, Chennai, and SALIS, Chennai, are jointly organizing a National Conference on 'Advancement in Library and Information Science & Technology: Challenges and opportunities' during July 10-11, 2015. The last date for submission of

papers is April 30, 2015. For details visit: <https://salis2015.wordpress.com/>

#### Conference on e-Resources, etc.

The DLIS, K S School of Engineering and Management, Bengaluru, is organizing a national conference on May 5, 2015. It will cover many topics, such as e-Resources, Library Services, ICT, User Education, etc. The last date for submission of papers is April 5, 2015. For details visit: [www.kssem.edu.in/ncash2015-science](http://www.kssem.edu.in/ncash2015-science)

#### INFLIBNET Training Programmes

INFLIBNET Centre, Ahmedabad, is going to organize the following training programmes/ workshops during April-May 2015: (1) CMS using Joomla, April 8-10, 2015; (2) SOUL Training Programme, April 13-18, 2015; (3) Workshop on Ethical Issues and Use of Anti-Plagiarism Software for Research Integrity, April 29-30, 2015; (4) E-Learning: Content Creation and Hosting, May 6-8, 2015; (5) Establishing Digital Library using DSpace, May 11-15, 2015. For details visit: [http://www.inflibnet.ac.in/forthcoming/Training\\_Calendar\\_2015-final1.pdf](http://www.inflibnet.ac.in/forthcoming/Training_Calendar_2015-final1.pdf)

#### Seminar on NML

The DLIS, Vidyasagar University, Midnapore, West Bengal, organized a UGC and RRLF sponsored National Seminar on 'National Mission on Libraries: Disseminating Knowledge for the Developing Societies' during March 12-13, 2015. The seminar was inaugurated on March 12, 2015, by Prof. Tirthankar Das Purakayastha, Dean, Faculty of Arts & Commerce, Vidyasagar University, while Prof. B K Sen, Chairman,

## NOTICE

IASLIC has been bringing out its newsletter (*IASLIC Newsletter*) in electronic format (since 2011) in addition to its monthly hardcopy editions. Many of you have welcomed the move. Due to rising printing and postage costs, the association has been facing financial constraints in publishing hardcopy editions of the newsletter. To overcome the situation an appeal had been made to our members for generous donations (Rs 1000/- or more). But the responses have not been satisfactory. In this situation, in the Annual General Meeting held on 27.12.2013 at Pune, it was resolved to send electronic version of the newsletter to those who have necessary access facilities. Accordingly, IASLIC members were repeatedly requested through notices published in the newsletter to convey their email IDs, but only a few members has responded. In view of this situation, in the Annual General Meeting held on 26.11.2014 at Guwahati, it was resolved to discontinue sending of hard copies of the newsletter to the members, except to those who inform in writing that they want to continue receiving hard copies. ***The newsletter is now uploaded on the IASLIC website in the first week of every month and the honourable members can view it online or download the same.*** The above arrangement will come into effect from July 2015. Members willing to receive hard copies of the newsletter are requested to immediately inform IASLIC office in writing.

General Secretary,  
IASLIC, Kolkata

Bibliometrics Expert Committee, Government of India, New Delhi, and Prof. Shyamal Roychoudhury, President, Bengal Library Association, Kolkata, were the guests of honour. Shri K K Banerjee, Advisor, National Mission on Libraries, delivered the keynote address. The inaugural function was presided over by Prof. K P Mazumder, Professor, DLIS, Jadavpur University, Kolkata.

Prof. Das Purakayastha, in his inaugural address, said that availability of knowledge was a pre-condition for any development. He hailed the role of librarian in preserving and disseminating knowledge. Prof. B K Sen said that dissemination of information was easier than dissemination of knowledge and that knowledge dissemination was a challenge to the library professionals. Dr. Shyamal Roychoudhury, in his address, mentioned about the background of setting up the National Mission on Libraries and its objectives and functioning. In his presidential address, Prof. K P Mazumder wanted to know the progress and modus operandi of different schemes undertaken by NML. He specially stressed the need for setting up the Indian Institute of Library & Information Science. Shri K K Banerjee, in his keynote address, mentioned about the four main areas in which NML was working, viz., setting up of National Virtual Library of India, development of NML model libraries, qualitative and quantitative survey of libraries and capacity building, and narrated the progress made in each area.

During five invited paper presentation sessions, Prof B K Sen; Shri Abhijit Bhowmik, Librarian, State Central Library, Kolkata; Dr. S C Biswas, Professor, DLIS, University of Burdwan, Burdwan; Dr. S B Ghosh, Retired Professor, IGNOU, New Delhi; Shri S B Banerjee, Vice-President, IASLIC; Dr. Ratna Bandyopadhyay, Professor, DLIS, University of Calcutta, Kolkata; and Prof. Amitabha Chatterjee, Retired Professor, DLIS, Jadavpur University, Kolkata, presented their papers. In seven technical sessions, altogether 37 contributed papers, out of 86 accepted, were presented by respective authors/co-authors.

The valedictory session was chaired by Shri S B Banerjee. In this session the Rapporteur General of the seminar, Prof. Amitabha Chatterjee, presented the report on the proceedings of the various sessions, while the valedictory address of Prof. Chaitali Dutta of DLIS, Jadavpur University, Kolkata, was read out by Smt. Nivedita Bhattacharyya Sahoo of DLIS, Vidyasagar University, as Dr. Dutta could not attend the seminar due to sudden illness. Four resolutions pleading early constitution of a permanent and autonomous National Commission on Libraries, creation of a Central Library Fund, setting up of the Indian Institute of Library and Information

Science, and bringing library services in the concurrent list of the Indian Constitution, were unanimously adopted. The seminar was attended by 99 delegates, 40 students and 12 resource persons. Prof. Durga Shankar Rath and Dr. Bidyarthi Dutta served as joint conveners of the seminar.

### International

#### **MLA Annual Meeting**

Medical Library Association (USA) Annual Meeting will be held at Austin, Texas, during May 15-20, 2015. The theme of the conference is 'Librarians without limits'. For details visit: <http://mla15.meeting.mlanet.org/>

#### **QQML 2015**

The 7<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Qualitative and Quantitative Methods will be held at IUT Universite, Paris, France, during May 26-29, 2015. For details visit: <http://www.isast.org/>

#### **ALA Annual Conference**

The ALA Annual Conference 2015 will be held at San Francisco during June 25-30, 2015. The theme of the conference is 'Transforming our libraries, ourselves'. For details visit: <http://alaac15.ala.org/>

#### **Conference on Informatics**

The 19th World Multi-Conference on Systemics, Cybernetics and Informatics (WMSCI 2015), and the 9th International Multi-Conference on Society, Cybernetics and Informatics (IMSCI 2015), will be held in Orlando, Florida, USA, during July 12-15, 2015. For details visit: <http://www.iiis2015.org/wmsci/website/about.asp?vc=1>

#### **UDC Seminar**

The International UDC Seminar 2015 on 'Classification and Authority Control: Expanding Resource Discovery' will be held at the National Library of Portugal, Lisbon, during October 29-30, 2015. For details visit: <http://seminar.udcc.org/2015/>

## **MISCELLANEOUS NEWS**

#### **Arrested for Overdue Book**

A candidate in the race for the post of lieutenant governor of Kentucky, USA, was arrested on March 11, 2015 on charges apparently connected to an overdue library book. Johnathan Masters, 33, a Democratic candidate, was going to attend a TV interview, when he was arrested on the charge of 'theft by failure to make required disposition of property'. For details visit: [http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2015/03/12/johnathan-masters-arrested\\_n\\_6859452.html?ncid=tweetlnkushpmg00000067&ir=India](http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2015/03/12/johnathan-masters-arrested_n_6859452.html?ncid=tweetlnkushpmg00000067&ir=India)

## UP College Librarians Re-designated

According to newspaper reports, the college librarians in Uttar Pradesh have been re-designated as Lecturers, Library. An order regarding the same has been issued by the State government recently. They will be treated as non-vacational academic staff and will enjoy all the facilities enjoyed by the college lecturers, except vacation.

## Digital Repository for Museums

National Portal and Digital Repository for Museums of India designed and developed by Human-Centred Design & Computing Group, was inaugurated by Union Minister for Culture & Tourism, Shripad Naik, on October 21, 2014 in New Delhi. The portal provides access to heritage antiquities from 10 national museums under the Ministry of Culture; and in the near future there are plans to integrate 40 museums under the Archeological Survey of India. For more details, please visit: <http://www.museumsofindia.gov.in/>

## Google Faces URL Removal Requests

Google, the Internet juggernaut, is now receiving almost 1 million requests each day from copyright owners and reporting organizations to remove Google Search results to URLs that give access to materials that allegedly infringe copyright. According to the company's official transparency report portal, the total number of copyright-based URL takedown requests for the week ending August 11, 2014 was 7,824,932 million (averaging out to roughly 1,117,847 requests a day). For details visit: <http://gadgets.ndtv.com/internet/news/google-gets-over-1-million-copyright-based-url-removal-requests-a-day-579519>

## ASIS&T Paper Competition

The Special Interest Group on International Information Issues (SIG-III) of the Association for Information Science & Technology (ASIS&T) has announced its 15th competition for papers to be submitted for the 2015 Annual Meeting, which will take place in Hyatt Regency, St. Louis, MO during November 6-10, 2015. The theme for this year's paper contest is 'Information Science with Impact: Research in and for the Community'. For details visit: <http://www.asis.org/asist2015/am15cfp.html>

## Digital Recordings of Historic Speeches

According to a report published in *Hindustan Times*, an exhibition has been installed in Kolkata which will allow people to listen to digitized recordings of speeches by India's great leaders, freedom fighters and famous personalities to enable them soak in the patriotic spirit. An initiative by the Weavers Studio Centre for the Arts (WSCA) to benefit youngsters, the 'Saare Jahan Se Accha' audio-visual programme running in south Kolkata's

Ballygunge has nearly 100 such rare speeches from 1900-1950s. For example, Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose's moving broadcast from Tokyo to India, original version of national anthem sung by Nobel laureate poet Rabindranath Tagore, invigorating speeches made by Swami Vivekananda and the different versions of Indian national song "Vande Mataram" can be heard at kiosks in the exhibit.

## Library Card for a Cat

Edinburgh University library has given a card to a cat named Jordan. The card bears a photo of the feline and 2017 as expiry date. Jordan prefers the company of trendy young students and an easy life in the well-heated library. Every day, Jordan leaves the friary, where it stays in the night, and crosses Edinburgh's leafy George Square in the old town, to the university's main library. There, it enjoys being petted by students from across the globe, and even has a favourite turquoise chair near the door. Students say it helps them to relax before examinations, and the Facebook page set up by the students in his honour has more than 6,000 likes. For details visit: <http://www.moggies.co.uk/articles/dec2014/jordan.html>

## 'Desi' e-Books

According to a report published in *Deccan Chronicle*, galloping tablet sales in India are triggering new interest in e-books and e-magazines, but the big-name global sources have few India-specific fare to offer. Rockstand is a 'desi' alternative, offering a wide range of Indian e-books and e-mags in English, Hindi, Tamil, Malayalam, Telugu, Bengali, Gujarati, Punjabi, Marathi, Kannada, Sanskrit, Oriya, Urdu - in addition to an international selection. The total collection is over 12,5,000 from 600-plus publishers. There is a fairly large collection of textbooks too. After recent tie-ups with DC Books, Malayalam Manorama, Mathrubhumi and Green Books, Rockstand now offers the largest e-collection in Malayalam. Quite a lot of free fare is on offer and even the paid e-titles are reasonably priced at a fraction of the print edition cost. The company also offers to turn the print publications of budding authors into e-books for free. For original report visit: <http://www.deccanchronicle.com/140804/technology-latest/article/free-desi-e-books-e-mags>

## Libraries for Fishermen

According to an NDTV report, the Kerala State Coastal Area Development Corporation is setting up 31 libraries, totally costing Rs 9.60 crore, across the state for the benefit of fishing community. The Integrated Development of Fishing Villages Scheme focusses on basic infrastructure development, provision of drinking water, sanitation, electrification, setting up of libraries

and livelihood support programmes in 57 selected fishing villages in the state. Fisheries Minister, K Babu, said that the corporation would construct a two-storied library at nearby Edavanakkad costing Rs 51 lakh for the fishing community. The foundation stone of the library was laid by the minister recently. For full report visit: <http://www.ndtv.com/south/a-library-for-fishing-community-in-kerala-730074>

### New Books Sold by Weight

According to a report published in *Times of India* recently, in famous Big Book Bazar held in Delhi's Dayaganj new and original prints of popular books like J K Rowling's 'Harry Potter and the Order of Phoenix' and Stieg Larsson's 'The Girl Who Kicked the Hornet's Nest', are sold at per kilogram rate. Books are found arranged in the bazaar not alphabetically, nor by their prices, but by their per kilogram rate. For detailed report visit: <http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/delhi/Here-Harry-Potter-sold-by-the-kilo/articleshow/46114920.cms>

### Visva-Bharati Book Fair

The Library Network of Visva-Bharati University organized a Book Fair at the Central Library during January 21- 24, 2015. The fair attracted 25 publishers/suppliers including Oxford University Press, Cambridge University Press, Sage Publications, Sahitya Akademi, Overseas and the like. The fair was inaugurated by the vice-chancellor, Prof. Sushanta Dattagupta, amidst folk dance around the fair by the adivasi staff members of the university. A mini museum called "Tagore Displays" containing 70 display items on Tagore's life and times (situated on the first floor of the Central Library) was also inaugurated on the occasion.

### Dara Shikoh's Library

According to an Indo-Asian News Service report by Brij Khandelwal, the Uttar Pradesh government will renovate the neglected red sandstone structure in Agra that was once the rich library of Mughal emperor Aurangzeb's brother Dara Shikoh, a great scholar who sought to explore the commonality between Islam and Hinduism and translated Hindu scriptures, including the Upanishad, into Persian. For full report visit: <https://in.news.yahoo.com/dara-shikohs-neglected-library-may-become-tourist-spot-063606821.html>

### Trend of Fake Reading

According to a report published in *Deccan Herald*, dated February 17, 2015, fake reading is an emerging trend in metros across the country. Many Indians buy books to decorate their homes, some buy it to impress their prospective partners. In fact, people like to fake read in public places, finds a recent survey on reading habits. The survey, conducted in seven cities in the country,

showed that several people who buy classics never read them. Called the 'Fakespeare Survey', Landmark Stores, a Tata enterprise, undertook such a survey for the first time to map the reading habits of people. According to Sivaraman Balakrishnan, Senior Manager (Marketing and Communication), Landmark Stores, while a plenty of surveys had been done to look into what books people buy, this one aimed at looking into why people were buying certain books. The responses elicited from the readers showed that about 23 per cent of people did fake reading to impress potential partners, while about 13 per cent purchased books to decorate their homes. Not just homes, about 10 per cent of people bought books as an accessory, merely to complete their outfit. For detailed report visit: <http://www.deccanherald.com/content/460161/people-fake-reading-impress-partners.html>

### Lecture on Best Practices in LIS

The DLIS, Maharshi Dayanand University, Rohtak, Haryana, organized a special lecture entitled 'Quality Assurance and Best Practices in Library and Information Science Education and Services', which was delivered by Dr. P K Rath, Professor of LIS and Dean, Mizoram University, Aizwal, on February 4, 2015. Dr. Satish Malik, University Librarian and Head, DLIS, M D University, inaugurated the programme, while Dr. Nirmal Kumar Swain, Associate Professor, DLIS, M D University, introduced the speaker.

### Lecture on e-Resources

Shri N V Satyanarayana, Chairman & Managing Director, Informatics India Pvt. Ltd., Bangalore, gave a lecture under Faculty Development Programme, on 'Information explosion, e-resources and their impact on academics and research work' on January 29, 2015, at Global Academy of Technology, Bangalore. Shri Satyanarayana mentioned about the proliferation of information resources in various formats. Internet had speeded up both growth and dissemination of information to the end users, he said. He stressed the need for browsing e-resources, particularly e-journals, on continuous basis to keep oneself up-to-date in the field of science and engineering. Shri D V Patwardhan, Sr. Librarian, explained the efforts made by the library to provide state-of-the art web based services to his colleagues. Prof. B R Venkatesh, Vice-Principal, proposed a vote of thanks. The programme was attended by more than 250 faculty members.

### A Font and a Dictionary for Dyslexics

A Dutch designer Christian Boer has created a font to help dyslexic readers navigate text, designing letters in a way that avoids confusion and adds clarity, while in England, two researchers are compiling a dictionary that

favors meaning over alphabetical order. To avoid confusion, Boer designed letters that have a heavier bottom half, making it less likely that a reader might flip them. He also made some openings larger, and slightly tilted some letters that closely resemble others — such as a “b” and a “d.” The new font also incorporates more space between letters and words, to help prevent a dyslexic reader from seeing a confused jumble of text. Instead of using a strict alphabetical order, words in their dictionary will be organized according to their meanings, as the British researchers explained in a recent article in British newspaper the *Litchfield Mercury*. So far, nearly 50,000 words have been organized sorting them by some 3,700 morphemes, they said. For details visit: <http://www.npr.org/blogs/thetwo-way/2014/11/11/363293514/for-dyslexics-a-font-and-a-dictionary-that-are-meant-to-help>

### Genealogical Records in WorldCat

OCLC and FamilySearch International are working together to share data between WorldCat and the FamilySearch Catalogue to provide more resources for improved genealogy research. More than one million FamilySearch genealogical records are now discoverable in WorldCat, the world's largest database of records representing resources in libraries worldwide. Links to WorldCat are now available on FamilySearch.org. For details visit: <https://www.oclc.org/news/releases/2014/201410dublin.en.html>

### Loss of Film Magazine Archive Feared

According to a report published in *Mumbai Mirror*, rare books, old film magazines and other texts - part of the collection of Sangeet Natak Academy laureate Sushila Rani Patel and her husband - have become collateral damage in the battle over the late couple's 9,000-sq ft Pali Hill (Mumbai) property, Girnar Bungalow. Sushila Rani Baburao Patel Trust - which has accused the granddaughter of Sushila Rani's husband of illegally taking possession of the property estimated to be worth Rs 100 crore - claims the granddaughter, Geeta Patel-D'Souza, gave away several priceless books to scrap dealers. The trust's chairperson, Neela Shinde, has claimed in a suit filed in the Bombay High Court that so far 59 books and other materials had been recovered from raddiwalas. D'Souza denies discarding the books, one of which was published way back in 1907. For details visit: <http://www.mumbaimirror.com/mumbai/others/Trust-takes-up-battle-for-Girnar-bungalow/articleshow/39657900.cms>

## LIS LITERATURE

[Note: Publishers of the books enlisted here and/or any new books in LIS may send copies of such books to the Editor, *IASLIC Bulletin*, for review]

### New Foreign Book

1. SHARMA (Bindu) and GUPTA (Sangeeta). Information seeking behavior in Internet era. LAP Lambert Academic Publishing, Saarbrücken, Germany. ISBN: 9783659562112

(Presents the results of a survey of information seeking behavior of users conducted in the university libraries of Jammu and Kashmir)

2. VERMA (Reshma). Research in Library & Information Science in India: Trends & Patterns. 2014. LAP Lambert Academic Publishing, Saarbrücken, Germany. ISBN: 9783659572104

(Attempts a comprehensive review of research works accomplished in Library and Information Science discipline in India during 1957-2006 with a view to examine the trends in and pattern of research at the national level with a special focus on doctoral research work done at the DLIS, Panjab University, Chandigarh)

3. ZAFRAN (Enid), Ed. Index It Right! Advice from the Experts. V.3. 2014. Information Today, Medford, NJ. ISBN: 9781573875004

(Covers a range of topics — from e-book indexing, taxonomy construction, and meta-tagging to indexing in areas such as literary criticism, science, and mathematics)

### New Periodical

1. *LIS Today* (Bi-annual). V.1 – No.1/2 – 2014 – ISSN: 23499621. Bihar State Library Association, Muzaffarpur 842001. Editor-in-Chief: Barun Sarkar. E-Mail: [listoday.bsli@gmail.com](mailto:listoday.bsli@gmail.com)
2. *Pustakalay Sandesh*. ISSN 00334707. Indore Library Association, Indore.

(This journal was started in 1968 but ceased publication in 1980s. Now it is being restarted)

## PERSONALIA

**Dr. Nimai Chand Saha**, Dy. Librarian, Visva-Bharati Library Network, Santiniketan, has been awarded the Indira Gandhi Sadbhavna Gold Medal – 2014 by Global Economic Progress and Research Association (GEPR), New Delhi, for his achievements, excellence and contributions to the field of library and information services. The award was bestowed on him on November 19, 2014 at a function held in Bangalore. He was the only library professional selected for the award in 2014.

Smt. Gouri Bandyopadhyay has been awarded Ph.D degree in library and information science by Jadavpur University, Kolkata, for her thesis on 'Bengali Reference Books: their origin, evolution and analysis'. She pursued her research under the supervision of Dr. Udayan

Bhattacharya, Associate Professor, DLIS, Jadavpur University. Presently, Dr. Bandyopadhyay is serving as Library & Information Assistant in the central library of Geological Survey of India, Kolkata. She is a life member of IASLIC.

### FORM IV

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