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Collection of Legal Information Resources : A Case Study of Judges' Library of the Delhi High Court

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Abstract

Purpose: The primary purpose is to identify the status of the collection of legal information resources, to understand collection development, collection management, and development rate of documents in the Judges' Library, Delhi High Court.

Methodology: A questionnaire-based survey approach has been employed in the present study. Collected data is represented in the form of tables and graphs. Primary data was collected through a structured questionnaire method.

Findings: Among the print documents, books are the highest in numbers, while the e-reports of the commissions/committees are the highest among the electronic documents. The overall growth rate of the documents is 1.05% for the four years. The highest budget expenditure is on the subscription of journals in each financial year.

Originality: The collection of legal information is one of the essential resources in Judges' libraries. This study investigates the status of legal information resources collection in the Library of Delhi High Court. The results of this study can be helpful for the policy-makers and librarians of court and law libraries.

Keywords: Court library; Law library; Collection development policy; Collection management; Information resource; Acquisition; Print resource; Electronic resource.

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Measuring Information Search Behaviour of Undergraduate Students of University of Delhi

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Abstract

Purpose: This paper is an attempt to explore information search behaviour of college students studying in select colleges of Delhi University.

Methodology : It used questionnaire as a tool to survey students at Kirori Mal College – North Campus, Ramanujan College – South Campus & Maharaja Agrasen College – East Delhi to get responses from students in the field of Sciences, Social Sciences and Humanities.

Findings: It revealed that majority students make use of search engines followed by book list recommended by their teachers, social networking sites, online book stores i.e. Amazon, Flipkart etc. to initiate their search for information. Keyword search followed by more than one keyword, searching for similar results and phrase search were the most frequently used search strategies amongst the students in search of e-resources. Lack of awareness is recognised as the prime cause for the less usage of boolean operators, truncation operators and proximity search.

Originality: Keeping in mind current changes in the curriculum, this study would interest to the librarians and information managers catering particularly to the information requirements of undergraduate students of different disciplines to enable them to subscribe resources judiciously to build wide range of collection and offer customised services accordingly.

Keywords: Undergraduate student; Information searching behaviour; College library; E-resource

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Ishwar Chandra Vidyasagar's Perceptions and Views as Revealed through his Library Collection

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Abstract

Purpose: The present study is to analyse Vidyasagar's perceptions of libraries that can be well gauged from his library collection and preservation of books.

Methodology: The study has progressed classifying library collection primarily in four segments, namely, Bengali, Sanskrit, Hindi, and English. Bengali collection has been subdivided into bengali language, literature, translated works, philosophy, biography, history and geography, religion, social customs and rituals, education, science, ethical texts and tales, politics etc. Similarly, the Sanskrit collection has been subdivided into mythology, sanskrit literature, language, philosophy, history, and the like.

Findings: The collection of Bengali translated, literary and linguistic works signified the social value of translation and Vidyasagar's attempt to regularise syntactical and semantical rhythm in Bengali prose writing in its formation age. Sanskrit collection and collection of educational, religious, sociological, historical, and like presaged his perceptions. His English collection comprised of the history of India and abroad. Works of stalwart English literature adorned his library collection. His literary collection justified that, he was the right person to enjoy the literary flavour of both oriental and western literature. Neo- English literate Bengalese attraction to literature was also reflected in his literary collection.

Originality: Social perspectives of contemporaneous Bengal reflected in the library collection and the library had been rendered as a social institution of the nineteenth century. Vidyasagar's perceptions had been followed in planning on different issues in modern India.

Keywords: Vidyasagar's library; Bengali collection; Sanskrit collection; English collection; Social institution.

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Using Non-Alphanumeric Characters in LIS Research Papers: A Study Prabin Karkee

Abstract

Purpose: This paper is an attempt to study the occurrence of non-alphanumeric characters in the article titles published in a leading library science journal of India.

Methodology: Method of research adopted was quantitative. A total of 231 rtesearch papers were published during the period 2011 – 2021 in IASLIC Bulletin, an Indian LIS journals. The study covers the year-wise distribution of articles, categories of articles, and use of five commonly used non-alphanumeric characters like colon, comma, dash, question marks and parentheses.

Findings: The study shows that the highest number of research papers articles appeared in volume 61 in the year 2021, methods tops the category of contribution. The study also finds that 74.89% articles appeared in the journal with the non-alphanumeric character adopted by the authors and the colon is the mostly used non-alphanumeric character which is practiced by joint authors predominantly.

Originality: The study is original work intent to contribute to the less explored area of the use of non-alphanumeric characters in the titles of research papers in library and information science journal. It potentially creates a deep and significant impact on scholars and library users who explore the realm of non-alphanumeric characters in titles of research papers.

Keywords: Article; Colon; Comma; Dash; Question mark; Parenthesis; LIS journal.

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Artificial Intelligence in Smart Library: Developing a Machine Learning Prediction Model

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Abstract

Purpose: Recent developments in artificial intelligence (AI) can transform the working practices of the modern library. However, modern libraries are one of the slowest institutions to adopt AI. This study explores how smart libraries might take advantage of machine learning (ML), a subfield of artificial intelligence (AI), to improve the quality of their services to the users.

Methodology: Three cutting-edge machine learning algorithms are presented in this study for the task of identifying and classifying favorite books based on the data of Art Garfunkel's Library.

Findings: The findings of this research work are drawn based on experiment results. The experiment results reveal that the proposed method obtained a test accuracy of 86.07% in identifying Favorite books.

Originality: This is an empirical research work that looks at AI adoption in libraries using a machine learning model. To the best of our knowledge, this research is the first AI-based application for the modern library to automatically identify and classify Favorite books.

Keywords: Artificial intelligence; Machine learning; Smart library; Favorite book; Support vector machine; K-nearest neighbors; Decision tree

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