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WEEDING: ITS IMPORTANCE

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Abstract: Weeding is the process of removal of old, obsolete and less used library materials. It is an important part of collection development. Its importance is observed here through different views of many eminent library professionals. The study here briefly analyses the basic parameters or criteria of weeding implementing weeding process in any library. Even methods of weeding are widely discussed here for adopting the process. In spite of many usefulness of weeding, some of the hindrances make library professionals reluctant to accept this procedure in the library. This study recapitulates the alternatives to weeding for making the non-use library materials to the useful one.

Key words: Weeding, five laws of library science, core collection, MUST/E, CREW method, weeding barrier.

Attitudes of Faculty Members, Research Scholars and Students Towards Information Literacy

(A study with Reference to MS University, Tirunelveli, Tamilnadu)

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Abstract: Literacy are of different kinds such as business literacy, computer literacy, health literacy, media literacy numerical literacy, textual literacy and information literacy. An information literate person is all the time ready for learning because, he can find needed information for his work or decision making and problem solving. The present study explores the attitudes of faculty members, research scholars and students towards information literacy in Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Tirunelveli. A Structured, close - ended survey questionnaire was used for the collection of data. This questionnaire was circulated among 200 users of library in MS University Out of the 200 questionnaire circulated about 150 filled in questionnaire were received. Hence, the 150 formed as respondents of the study the analysis of data shows that out of 150 users surveyed a large number were males (66%) and only 34% were female users.

Keywords: Attitude, Literacy, Sources, Professional.

Analysis of Accreditation Reports - North Maharashtra

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Abstract: The Present study is an analysis of the peer team reports of institutions I colleges have undertaken the process of accreditation in the North Maharashtra University colleges with special reference to libraries. The accreditation process creates opportunities for the library profession, the importance of assessment and evaluation process leading to accreditation lies in the fact that this is for the first time that libraries are being exposed to mandatory external evaluation. There is a scope to improve the formats and questionnaires prescribed for gathering information about library resources and services. The peer team draws up commendations and recommendations for the institutions to implement in order to improve the quality of the various aspects of its functioning. This helps the library staff to seek their cooperation and support for achieving excellence in library services.

Keywords: Accreditation, College, Library

Job prospects for LIS Professionals in Indian Higher Education Sector: An analysis of Job advertisements published in University News

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Abstract: The paper explores the prospects of LIS job aspirants in Indian higher education system which is the third largest in the world and it raises awareness among the professionals, the need to develop skills corresponding to job market. It is based on a survey of LIS job advertisements published for higher education sector in India during the year 2013 in the 'University News', which is a higher education news journal. Content analysis method was applied to analyze a total of 167 LIS job advertisements. Job ads were analysed into various components namely location and name of the educational institutions advertising their job vacancies, job designation, pay scale, required professional qualification, job experience and skills. It was found that colleges, central universities and national level higher educational institutions of India provide better job prospects for LIS professionals. MLIS degree along with either UGC NET / SLET qualification or a PhD degree is the most sought after qualification for both teaching and non-teaching jobs. ICT skill is the most important employability skill followed by skills in research and publications. The findings of this can be utilized by the LIS professionals to acquaint them with the job trend and to learn about employability skills required in higher educational sector.

Key words: Library and information science professionals, Indian higher education sector, Job prospects, Job vacancies, Job advertisements, skills and qualifications-LIS professionals and University news.

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Abstract: This paper analyses the content of 16 issues of the Indian Journals of Fisheries from 2004-2007. The Journal is published quarterly from Central Marine Fisheries Research Institute, Cochin, which is under Indian Council of Agricultural Research. This paper provides information about the number of contributions, authorship pattern, state wise and institution wise distribution of contributions and also various fields of the subject of each volume.

Keywords: Fish Biology, Pathology, Biochemistry, Fish production, Physiology, Biogeography, Aquatic Resource, Fishing Method, Limnology, Ecology.

**Bibliometric Analysis of Research Publications of
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Abstract: This paper presents results of a bibliometric study of research publications of UGC-DAE Consortium for Scientific Research, Kolkata Centre for the period of 2006-2010. The Centre has published 265 research publications of which there are 145 journal publications and the remaining 120 are published in proceedings of Conference / Workshop / Seminar / Symposia (C/W/S/S). Only the journal publications are considered for bibliometric analysis due to lack of direct impact factor. The analysis includes distribution of publications by year, by country of publications, in SCI and Non-SCI journals, in journals and proceedings of C/W/S/S, in different Normalised Impact Factor (NIF) ranges, total NIF, average NIF of each division, collaboration pattern etc. This study aims to give an idea about the performance and impact of the research conducted in this Centre. Findings are recorded with relevant data analysis.

Keywords: Bibliometrics, SCI & Non-SCI Journals, Impact Factor (IF), Normalised Impact Factor (NIF), Total NIF, Average NIF, Collaboration, National Collaboration, International Collaboration.