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## Quote of the Month

“Reading is essential for those who seek to rise above the ordinary.”

-by **Jim Rohn**

(American entrepreneur, author, and motivational speaker)

## Appeal to Readers

News from different regions/ states is solicited from library professionals/IASLIC members for inclusion in the newsletter.

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## Announcement

### TRIENNIAL ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS AND MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE IASLIC FOR 2026 -2028

**Ref. No. : Election/2026-2028/575**

**Date: 25/08/2025**

**Esteemed Members,**

I am pleased to inform you that the Triennial Election of **Office Bearers and Members of the Governing Body of the IASLIC** for 2026 - 2028 will be held as per Notice date 25/08/2025.

Please find below Notice No. Election/2026 - 2028/574 Dated: 25/08/2025.

Invitation of Nomination from valid Members are being sought as per Notice date 25/08/2025.

The details of the Posts and Nomination Papers will be available in the IASLIC website on and from 27/9/2025.

Sd/-

**Abhijit Kumar Bhowmick**  
(Election Officer)

**IASLIC Triennial Election – 2026-2028**

### Announcement of 368<sup>th</sup> Study Circle Meeting of IASLIC

The 368<sup>th</sup> Study Circle Meeting of IASLIC will be held on 27<sup>th</sup> November, 2025 (Thursday) at 3:00 pm in the Central Library of the University of Kalyani, Nadia, West Bengal. The topic of discussion of the above-mentioned study circle meeting will be as follows: - "Information, Communication on Health Awareness: Role of Street Libraries in Kolkata". Dr. Swati Ghosh, Librarian, Savitri Girls' College, Kolkata, will be the speaker of the above-mentioned study circle meeting. Prof. (Dr.) Partha Sarathi Mukhopadhyay, Professor of the Department of Library and Information Science, University of Kalyani, Nadia, WB, will be the Chairman of the session. Dr. Dipa Roy, Librarian-in- Charge, Central Library, University of Kalyani, Nadia, W.B. will be the Co-Chairperson of the above-mentioned session. The speaker is very much interested regarding the awareness of health information. There will be a vivid discussion regarding various aspects of 'Health Information'. All the librarians, information professionals, students, teachers, research scholars, library lovers and other interested persons are hereby earnestly requested to attend the above-mentioned study circle meeting along with their friends, colleagues and other fellow members. All are Welcome.

Dr. Tridib Chattopadhyay.  
Convenor, Study Circle Division, IASLIC.

### Report about the 367<sup>th</sup> Study Circle Meeting of IASLIC

The 367<sup>th</sup> Study Circle Meeting of IASLIC was held on 16<sup>th</sup> October, 2025 (Thursday) at 6.00 pm in the meeting room of IASLIC which is situated at P-291, CIT Scheme 6M, Kankurgachhi, Kolkata - 700054. The speaker of the above-mentioned Study Circle Meeting was Mr. Shamba Dutta, Librarian, Maharaja Manindra Chandra College, Kolkata. The Chairman of the meeting was Mr. Pranab Hazra, Former Librarian, Sidho Kanho Birsha University, Purulia, W.B. The Topic of the discussion at the said meeting was "The Development of Libraries in the

Ancient Middle East, their Collections, and Related Affairs". At the beginning, Mr. Abhijit Kumar, General Secretary of IASLIC, welcomed all the dignitaries, guests and audience. Thereafter, Dr. Tridib Chattopadhyay, Convenor, Study Circle Division, IASLIC introduced the Speaker and the Chairman of the session. Mr. Pranab Hazra gave an overview of the issues regarding the development of libraries in the ancient middle east and their collections. After that, the speaker Mr. Shamba Dutta started the session and delivered his lecture on the particular issue. In this lecture Mr. Shamba Dutta discussed the historical development of libraries in the ancient middle east. Mr. Dutta stated with the history of Mesopotamian libraries and the information centres of Ashurbanipal, founded in the 7<sup>th</sup> century BCE in Nineveh. It contained over 30,000 cuneiform clay tablets. He stated that those libraries have evolved into an extensive collection of literature, religious texts, and scientific knowledge under Ashurbanipal who was a king known for his scholarly pursuits. The library's collection was preserved when the city was destroyed by fire, which baked the clay tablets, and its ruins were later discovered by the archaeologists. He also discussed the history of the library of Alexandria and others. The lecture was followed by a question - answer session. After that the Chairman of the session Mr. Pranab Hazra briefly described the entire content of the discussion. The students, teachers and research scholars have taken part in the discussion. The Chairman stated that he gained a lot of knowledge from this valuable and thought-provoking lecture by Mr. Dutta. Overall, this lecture was appreciated by all. The vote of thanks was delivered by Miss Moumita Ash, Joint Secretary of IASLIC. After that, Dr Tridib Chattopadhyay, Convenor of the Study Circle Division of IASLIC thanked all the dignitaries, guests and the audience regarding their active participation and involvement. The meeting ended with thanks to the Chair.

Dr. Tridib Chattopadhyay.  
Convenor, Study Circle Division, IASLIC

### Institutional Members for the year 2025

| S No. | Name of the Institute                                              | Membership No. |
|-------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| 1.    | Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh                  | 0055 – I[Z 3]  |
| 2.    | Bishop Heber College, Tiruchirappalli, Tamil Nadu                  | 0079 – I[Z 1]  |
| 3.    | Bir Tikendrajit University, Canchipur, Imphal West                 | 4051 – I[Z 5]  |
| 4.    | C H Mohammed Koya Library, University of Calicut, Malappuram       | 0086 – I[Z 1]  |
| 5.    | Central Glass and Ceramic Research Institute, Kolkata, West Bengal | 0092 – I[Z 6]  |
| 6.    | Central Leather Research Institute, Chennai, Tamil Nadu            | 0102 – I[Z 1]  |
| 7.    | Central Institute of Indian Languages, Mysore, Karnataka           | 2797 – I[Z 1]  |

### Institutional Members for the year 2025

| S No. | Name of the Institute                                              | Membership No. |
|-------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| 8.    | Central Manufacturing Technology Institute, Bangalore, Karnataka   | 0109 – I[Z 1]  |
| 9.    | Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Kolkata, West Bengal        | 0127 – I[Z 6]  |
| 10.   | Dhemaji College, Dhemaji, Assam                                    | 4029 - I[Z 5]  |
| 11.   | Dravidian University, Sreenivasavanam, Andhra Pradesh              | 4019 – I[Z 1]  |
| 12.   | Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar, Punjab                        | 0062 – I[Z 4]  |
| 13.   | Heritage Institute of Technology, Kolkata, West Bengal             | 2877 – I[Z 6]  |
| 14.   | Highways Research Station, Chennai                                 | 0194 – I[Z 1]  |
| 15.   | India International Centre, New Delhi                              |                |
| 16.   | Indian Institute of Astrophysics, Bangalore, Karnataka             | 0216 – I[Z 1]  |
| 17.   | Indian Institute of Forest Management, Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh      | 9220 – I[Z 3]  |
| 18.   | Indian Institute of Management Calcutta                            | 0219 – I[Z 6]  |
| 19.   | Indian Statistical Institute, Kolkata, West Bengal                 | 0239 – I[Z 6]  |
| 20.   | Institute of Advanced Study in Science and Technology, Guwahati    | 0252 – I[Z 5]  |
| 21.   | Institute of Development Studies Kolkata, West Bengal              | 0172 – I[Z 6]  |
| 22.   | Kannur University, Kannur, Kerala                                  | 4020 – I[Z 1]  |
| 23.   | Karnataka Government Secretariat Library, Bangalore                | 0283 – I[Z 1]  |
| 24.   | Karnataka State Open University, Mysuru, Karnataka                 | 4057 – I[Z 1]  |
| 25.   | Karnataka University Library, Dharwad, Karnataka                   | 0285 – I[Z 1]  |
| 26.   | Kerala Agricultural University, Thrissur, Kerala                   | 0286 – I[Z 1]  |
| 27.   | Kerala University Library, Thiruvananthapuram                      | 0479 – I[Z 1]  |
| 28.   | Kuvempu University, Shankaraghatta                                 | 0291 – I[Z 1]  |
| 29.   | Lal Bahadur Shastri National Academy of Administration, Mussoorie  | 0293 – I[Z 3]  |
| 30.   | Maharaja Ganga Singh University, Bikaner, Rajasthan                | 3821 – I[Z 2]  |
| 31.   | Maharshi Dayanand University, Rohtak, Haryana                      |                |
| 32.   | Maynaguri College, Dist. Jalpaiguri, West Bengal                   | 4040 – I[Z 6]  |
| 33.   | National Institute of Technology, Tiruchirappalli                  | 0412 – I[Z 1]  |
| 34.   | National Institute of Technology Karnataka, Surathkal, Mangaluru   |                |
| 35.   | North Gujarat University, Patan, Gujarat                           | 0376 – I[Z 2]  |
| 36.   | North Eastern Council Secretariat, Shillong, Meghalaya             | 0371 – I[Z 5]  |
| 37.   | PSG Institute of Medical Sciences and Research, , Coimbatore       | 1911 – I[Z 1]  |
| 38.   | Pt. Ravishankar Shukla University, Raipur, Chhattisgarh            | 0411 – I[Z 3]  |
| 39.   | Pravabati College, Mayang Imphal, Manipur                          | 4025 – I[Z 5]  |
| 40.   | Prime Ministers Museum & Library, New Delhi                        | 0368 – I[Z 4]  |
| 41.   | Rabindra Bharati University, Kolkata, West Bengal                  | 0404 – I[Z 6]  |
| 42.   | Raja Ramanna Centre for Advanced Technology, Indore                | 0125 – I[Z 3]  |
| 43.   | Raja Rammohun Roy Library Foundation, Kolkata, West Bengal         | 0407 – [Z 6]   |
| 44.   | Ramananda College, Bishnupur, West Bengal                          | 4034 – I[Z 6]  |
| 45.   | Ramkrishna Mission Institute of Culture, Kolkata, West Bengal      | 2793 – I[Z 6]  |
| 46.   | Rani Channamma University, Belagavi                                | 3672 – I[Z 1]  |
| 47.   | Regional Institute of Education, Mysore, Karnataka                 | 0413 – I[Z 1]  |
| 48.   | Reserve Bank of India Library, Mumbai, Maharashtra                 | 3832 – I[Z 2]  |
| 49.   | S R University, Hanumakonda, Telangana                             | 4012 – I[Z 1]  |
| 50.   | Seth R C S Arts & Commerce College, Durg, Chhattisgarh             | 2787 – I[Z 3]  |
| 51.   | Shimurali Sachinandan College of Education, Shimurali, West Bengal |                |
| 52.   | Space Applications Centre, ISRO, Ahmedabad, Gujarat                | 0443 – I[Z 2]  |
| 53.   | Sri Venkateswara University, Tirupati, Andhra Pradesh              | 0448 – I[Z 1]  |
| 54.   | Tata Institute of Fundamental Research, Mumbai, Maharashtra        | 0463 – I[Z 2]  |
| 55.   | Theology Library, Serampore College, West Bengal                   | 2452 – I[Z 6]  |
| 56.   | Tuljaram Chaturchand College of Arts, Science & Commerce, Baramati | 0473 – I[Z 2]  |
| 57.   | Sukanta Mahavidyalaya, Dhupguri, West Bengal                       | 0456 – I[Z 6]  |
| 58.   | United Theological College, Bangalore, Karnataka                   | 0476 – I[Z 1]  |
| 59.   | University of North Bengal, Raja Rammohanpur, West Bengal          | 0481 – I[Z 6]  |
| 60.   | Vasantdada Sugar Institute, Pune, Maharashtra                      | 0489 – I[Z 2]  |
| 61.   | Visva-Bharati, Shantiniketan, West Bengal                          | 0105 – I[Z 6]  |
| 62.   | Women's College, Calcutta                                          | 4037 – I[Z 6]  |

**IASLIC 34<sup>th</sup> All India Conference 2025**

It gives us immense pleasure to inform you that the Indian Association of Special Libraries and Information Centres (IASLIC) is organizing "IASLIC 34<sup>TH</sup> ALL INDIA CONFERENCE 2025 ". **Join us on 5<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> January 2026, at the Department of Library & Information Science, Karnataka State Akkamahadevi Women University, Vijayapura, Karnataka, India.**

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| <b>Conference Title</b>             | IASLIC 34 <sup>th</sup> All India Conference 2025                                                                                                                                                             |
| <b>Conference Dates</b>             | 5 <sup>th</sup> to 7 <sup>th</sup> of January 2026                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>Venue</b>                        | Department of Library & Information Science, Karnataka State Akkamahadevi Women University, Vijayapura, Karnataka, India, PIN-586108 .                                                                        |
| <b>Organising Secretary</b>         | Prof. P G Tadasad, Senior Professor and Chairman, Department of Library & Information Science, Karnataka State Akkamahadevi Women University, Vijayapura, Karnataka                                           |
| <b>Director of Thematic Session</b> | Prof. K. P. Vijaykumar, Former Professor, Department of Library & Information Science, University of Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala                                                                       |
| <b>Rapporteur General</b>           | Prof. B T Sampathkumar, Senior Professor and Chairman, Department of Library & Information Science, Tumkur University, Karnataka                                                                              |
| <b>Joint Organising Secretaries</b> | Prof. T Shantadevi, Professor, Karnataka State Akkamahadevi Women University, Vijayapura, Karnataka.<br>Prof. Gavisiddappa A, Professor, Karnataka State Akkamahadevi Women University, Vijayapura, Karnataka |
| <b>Convener, Serials Division</b>   | Dr. Banasree Roy, Librarian, Charuchandra College, Kolkata, West Bengal                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>Convenor, SIG Division</b>       | Dr. Joydeep Chanda, Librarian, Gurudas College, Kolkata, West Bengal                                                                                                                                          |
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**CALL for PAPERS**  
**“Library Vision 2047”**

India aims to debut herself as a developed nation by its centennial anniversary of independence in 2047

encompassing overall growth through sustainable societal advancement with knowledge economy and effective governance. Transformative education with a modern approach has been brought intending to move towards a better knowledge society reforming the future teaching-learning endeavour by implementing NEP2020. It needs transformation of libraries and information systems onto a balanced modern resource management sector enabling marginal poor, youths, women empower. LIS professionals face both tremendous opportunities and challenges to address such transformation. On the one hand, it facilitates global collaboration, improves accessibility, incorporates cutting-edge technologies, and enables customising user experiences. On the other side, issues like digital divide, infrastructure constraints, information overload, data security, and the requirement of specialised skills are major hindrances. LIS professionals must prioritise user education and digital literacy, work with international networks, invest in strong digital infrastructures, and concentrate on ongoing professional development training programs. Libraries must also address issues with intellectual property, digital preservation, and legal compliance. Overcoming these obstacles, libraries would be able to fulfil their role as emerged knowledge centres and contribute in making India a truly developed nation by 2047. Libraries can make a substantial contribution to the goal of bringing out our country a knowledge-driven, digitally inclusive nation. Keeping the above in considerations, IASLIC has selected ‘Library Vision 2047’ as the main theme of its 34th All India Conference 2025 expecting the LIS professionals to delve upon ongoing important issues of opportunities and challenges that would result with fruitful outcomes and guidelines out of the deliberations and discussions. There will be deliberations on two other Special Interest Groups (SIGs) themes at the meetings of SIG01 (Social Science Information): Community Empowerment and Libraries and SIG02 (Computer Applications in Libraries): Innovative Library Services in Digital Age during the conference. Research Papers are invited on the following areas of the main theme of the Conference and the themes of SIG Meetings for deliberation during the conference.

## Main Theme: Library Vision 2047

### 1 Developing New Age Libraries: operations and services

- 11 Innovative Library Services for Library Vision 2047
- 12 Planning and Designing Future ready libraries
- 13 Managing Resources and Services
- 14 Case Studies of Innovative Library Initiatives

### 2 Tools and Technologies

- 21 Collection and Digital Content Management Tools
- 22 Sustainable library development, Governance models
- 23 Blockchain Technologies for Digital Rights Management
- 24 Cyber Security and Data Privacy in the New Age

### 3 Digital library and Smart Library:

- 31 Exploring the Benefits for library professional
- 32 IoT-enabled services in smart libraries
- 33 Capacity building for library professionals
- 34 Virtual Reality (VR) and Augmented Reality (AR)

### 4 Cloud based library systems and AI based service

- 41 Artificial intelligence and machine learning
- 42 Library Search Systems with AI and NLP
- 43 Expert Systems in Knowledge Management
- 44 Ethical considerations in AI based research and applications in libraries

### 5 Library Vision 2047 vis-a-vis NEP 2020

- 51 Reviewing and Recasting of LIS Curricula for community-focused librarianship
- 52 LIS curriculum, Library ethics and social responsibility
- 53 Digital Literacy Requirements for Library Professionals
- 54 Upskilling and Reskilling of LI Professionals

## Special Interest Groups (SIGs) Meetings

### SIG 01: Social Science Information

#### Theme: Community Empowerment and Libraries

- A. Libraries as Hubs for lifelong learning in community development
- B. Role of libraries in safeguarding cultural heritage and Indigenous knowledge
- C. Information literacy programs for social empowerment
- D. Enhancing library outreach for community empowerment
- E. One Nation One Library Legislation

### SIG 02: Computer Applications in Libraries

#### Theme: Innovative Library Services in Digital Age

- I. Future of libraries: evolving in the digital landscape
- II. Innovative technologies and services in libraries
- III. Next-Generation Integrated Library Systems (ILS)
- IV. Leveraging cloud computing for enhanced library services
- V. Ethical considerations in AI applications for libraries

### Important Information

Dates of Conference: January 5-7, 2026

Last date of Submission of Full Paper: October 15, 2025

Letter intimating acceptance by: November 30, 2025

Softcopy of the full paper composed in word format (.doc/.docx) should be submitted as an attachment through e-mail to [iaslic.sem@gmail.com](mailto:iaslic.sem@gmail.com)

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## Report on Librarians' Day 2025

Indian Association of Special Libraries and Information Centres (IASLIC), jointly with Bengal Library Association (BLA), West Bengal Public Library Employees Association (WBPLEA) and Department of Library and Information Science, Vidyasagar University observed **Librarians' Day 2025** to commemorate 133<sup>rd</sup> birth anniversary of Dr S R Ranganathan on 17 August, 2025 at Vivekananda Sabhagriha of Vidyasagar University, Paschim Medinipur. The inaugural session was started with a welcome song. Then a condolence message was read and one minute silence was observed. The program was inaugurated by **Prof Paresh Chandra Jana**, Dean, Faculty of Science, Vidyasagar University. In his inaugural speech, **Prof Paresh Chandra Jana** expressed his thanks to three associations IASLIC, BLA and WBPLEA.

**Prof Arindam Gupta**, Dean, Faculty of Arts & Commerce was present and graced the occasion. Prof Gupta appreciated the efforts of the organizers in bringing together scholars and professionals. Mr Abhijit Kumar, General Secretary, IASLIC, welcomed the participants who have come not only from Kolkata and neighboring areas but also from different parts of West Bengal. In his address, Mr Kumar mentioned how Librarians' Day Celebration was started in 1990 following a decision at JOCLAI Meeting held at the Jaipur IASLIC Conference in 1989. He also highlighted the role played by IASLIC in organizing Librarians' Day in West Bengal, jointly with BLA and WBPLEA. Dr Joydeep Chanda, General Secretary, Bengal Library Association (BLA) gave a brief account of activities of BLA and said that BLA has organized eight (08) programs at different places of the state after the inaugural program of centenary celebration on 20 December 2024 in Kolkata. He also announced the future Centenary Celebration Programs including Concluding Ceremony on 20 – 21 December 2025 in Kolkata. Extending thanks to Department of Library and Information Science, Vidyasagar University for organizing the 36<sup>th</sup> Librarians' Day, Mr Saugata Saha, General Secretary of WBPLEA gave a brief account of present condition of public libraries in West Bengal. He expressed his anxiety over future of public library system in West Bengal, where many rural libraries throughout the state were closed or open for one/two days in a week due to paucity of manpower, although some vacant post of rural librarians were filled during last one and half year.

**Dr Madhup De**, renowned scholar, folklorist and writer stressed on the relevance of libraries in the present knowledge society. He shared his experiences as a reader while using different libraries in Medinipur town and neighboring areas. In his Presidential Address, Prof Krishnapada Majumder mentioned the contributions of Ranganathan in the field of library science and library profession. He said, in brief, the beginnings of Librarians' Day Celebration program in the year 1990 throughout different parts of the country and also mentioned the role of IASLIC in this regard. Extending thanks to three speakers for accepting

invitation to speak on a relevant topic, Prof Majumder concluded his address. The inaugural session was ended with vote of thanks proposed by Dr Bidyarthi Datta, Associated Professor, Department of Library and Information Science, Vidyasagar University.

The inaugural part was followed by a discussion on the topic "**Alternative Avenues for Contemporary Library Service**". The discussion was started with the speech of **Prof Parthasarathi Mukhopadhyay**, Professor, Department of Library and Information Science, University of Kalyani, Kalyani. In his deliberation, Prof Mukhopadhyay emphasized on the use of modern technology, especially Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Machine Learning (ML) to organize and provide information in new ways. As Libraries deal with huge amount of information, different AI tools can help librarians to find, sort and present this information faster, he added. Prof Mukhopadhyay concluded by showing how these AI systems can be linked with library software like Koha, enabling on demand DDC classification and LCSH based subject indexing. Dr Parthratim Ray, Deputy Librarian, Visva-Bharati, Santiniketan spoke on library centric community information Service. Dr Ray discussed different modes of delivering community information services— notice boards, community bulletins, kiosks, outreach programs, and increasingly, digital platforms that can reach even rural populations through mobile phones and the internet. He also noted challenges in providing CIS, including inadequate resources, shortage of trained manpower, low public awareness, technological and language barriers, and sustainability issues. Dr Ray suggested that public libraries can be used as computer training centres, literacy campaign centres and urged librarians to be proactive, use ICT and involve themselves through community information services. Prof Durga Sankar Rath, Professor, Department of Library and Information Science, Vidyasagar University spoke on the role of public libraries at present which are not only knowledge resource centres but also digital hub. Quoting from Ray Bradbury – "Without libraries what have we? We have no past no future", Prof Rath highlighted the crucial role of libraries especially public libraries in preserving collective memory, facilitating education and fostering an informed citizenry by providing free access to books and information. Prof Rath gave some valuable suggestions on how the library can become an active part of this community. He also emphasized the children's right to read and the role of the library. Prof Rath concluded his speech by discussing the avenues - how library can improve their service quality by embracing technologies, artificial intelligence. Finally, the vote of thanks was proposed by Mr Nayan Pratihari, Secretary, BLA Paschim Medinipur. Altogether 350 participants attended the program. Dr Nivedita Bhattacharya Sahu, Associate Professor, Department of Library and Information Science, Vidyasagar University, Paschim Medinipur co-ordinated the entire program.

## ASLIP Conclave 2025

New Delhi/Chandigarh – The Association of Senior Library and Information Professionals (ASLIP) is set to organize its 3rd National Conclave on January 8-9, 2026, at Chaudhary Charan Singh Haryana Agricultural University (CCSHAU), Hisar. The event is being held jointly with CCSHAU.

The conclave will focus on the theme: “Collaborative Intelligence in Libraries: Building Smarter Libraries Together.” This theme highlights the powerful synergy between artificial intelligence and human expertise to create more responsive and reliable library services for the modern knowledge society.

**The conference will explore a wide range of sub-themes, including:**

- *Balancing Technology with Human Interaction*
- *AI-Based Library Services*
- *Libraries and Information Literacy*
- *Librarians as Knowledge Creators and Saviours*
- *Collaborative Intelligence as a pathway towards the India 2047 vision*
- *Making and Sustaining Futuristic Libraries*
- *Innovative and Need-Based Library Practices*
- *The role of Library Professionals as Preservers of Culture and Heritage*

**Important dates for participants are as follows:**

- *Last Date for Submission of Abstract: October 30, 2025.*
- *Notification for Acceptance of Abstract: October 31, 2025.*
- *Last Date for Submission of Full Text: November 30, 2025.*

Original research papers, case studies, and theoretical contributions on the theme and sub-themes are invited from library professionals, academicians, researchers, and students. The abstract and research papers should be sent to Dr. R.P. Kumar, President ASLIP, at [aslip-chd@gmail.com](mailto:aslip-chd@gmail.com).

**For further details and queries, please contact:**

- ♦ *Prof. Rajive Kumar Pateria (Organising Secretary), University Librarian, CCSHAU, Hisar - 98966 08941*
- ♦ *Dr. Raj Kumar (Secretary, ASLIP), Former University Librarian, Panjab University, Chandigarh - 9417461789*

## Two-Week Refresher Course (Online) — “Smart Information Systems: AI in Action”

The Malaviya Mission Teacher Training Centre at the Central University of Punjab organized a two-week online Refresher Course titled "Smart Information Systems: AI in Action" from December 8th to 20th, 2025. The program, conducted via Google Meet, targeted permanent, contractual, and ad-hoc faculty members from UGC-recognized universities and colleges. More details about the program can be found through the Central University of Punjab.

### Benefit :

Participation will be considered for fulfillment of requirements under the UGC Career Advancement Scheme.

### Who Can Apply :

Faculty members (Permanent / Contractual / Ad-hoc) working in universities and colleges included under Section 2(f) of the UGC Act. Teachers of colleges affiliated to a university for at least three years (but not yet under Section 2(f)) may also apply.

### How to Apply :

1. Visit the MMTTP Dashboard on the Malaviya Mission / Central University of Punjab portal.
2. Click “Apply for Refresher Course”.
3. Select Centre Name: “Central University of Punjab”.
4. Fill in details and upload the NoC (No Objection Certificate) letter.
5. NoC format and step-by-step registration guide are available on the University website.

### Important Dates :

Course Dates : 8 December – 20 December 2025

Last Date for Registration : 20 November 2025

Email Confirmation : On or by 25 November 2025

**Course Coordinator :** Dr. Bhupinder Singh  
*Assistant Librarian, University Library, Central University of Punjab .*

**Programme Director :** Dr. Vinod Arya  
*Director, Malaviya Mission Teacher Training Centre, Central University of Punjab*

### Reference & More Information :

University Website / MMTTP info: <https://cup.edu.in/mmttc/activities.php>

University Library: <http://library.cup.edu.in/>

## NACLIN-2025

The 28<sup>th</sup> National Convention on Knowledge, Library and Information Networking (NACLIN 2025) is a major conference for Library and Information Science professionals in India, organized by Developing Library Network (DELNET).

### Theme:

"Forging New Frontiers for Libraries: Fostering Exploration, Innovation, Evolution and Transformation"

### Objectives :

**New Technologies:** Artificial Intelligence (AI) tools, Big Data, Internet of Things (IoT), Extended Reality (XR), Drones/Robotics, Cyber Security.

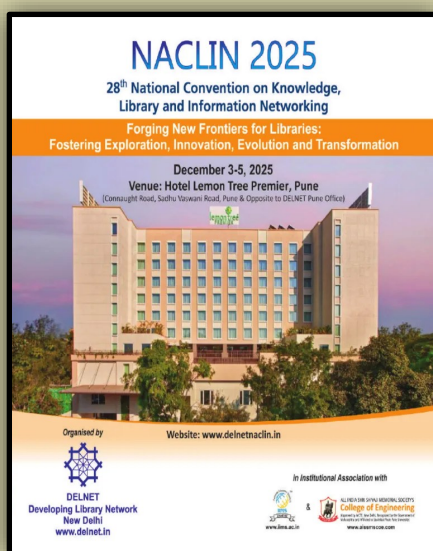
**Emerging Library Services:** User experience (UX) design, virtual reference services, research support services, and innovative service models.

**Knowledge Resources:** Building and managing digital repositories, digital preservation, and the role of Indian Knowledge Systems (IKS).

**Open Access and Software:** Exploring open access trends and the adoption of open-source software (OSS).

**Library Transformation:** Repositioning libraries as hubs of research and innovation and reimagining public libraries.

**Professional Development:** Discussions on necessary skillsets for future-ready librarians and the evolving roles of LIS professionals.



**Location:** Hotel Lemon Tree Premier, Connaught Road, Sadhu Vaswani Road, Pune (Opposite to DELNET Pune Office)

### Important Dates:

Paper Submission Deadline: October 15, 2025

Registration Deadline: December 3, 2025

Conference Dates: December 3-5, 2025

### Payment Details:

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