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EDITORIAL

I am excited to share with you the second issue of 2023 ALU- LIBRI BULLETIN has recently been published. The newsletter serves as an essential platform to showcase the academic, cultural, and other activities that have taken place in our department in the recent period. In this issue, we have introduced new innovations in the field, which will keep our readers informed about the latest developments in the field. Furthermore, we have included information on new events that took place in the department, such as the celebration of various festivals. Our newsletter also features details about the student progress, additional planned events, and outstanding successes. This information is a testament to our students' potential and talents, and we are proud to provide a platform for them to showcase their work. I would like to express my sincere gratitude to all the students and researchers, and faculty members who have contributed to this issue. I would also like to commend the editorial team for their hard work and dedication, which has resulted in the creation of such an excellent newsletter.

Dr.S.Thanuskodi
Professor & Head



Whatever the cost of our libraries, the price is cheap compared to that of an ignorant nation." ~ Walter Cronkite

Two-Day National Conference on “Next Generation Public Libraries: Exploring Emerging Trends and Technologies”

A Two-Day “National Conference on Next Generation Public Libraries: Exploring Emerging Trends and Technologies” was held at Alagappa University, Karaikudi on 8th and 9th Sept 2023. The conference was organized by the Department of Library and Information Science, Alagappa University, Karaikudi, in association with Raja Rammohun Roy Library Foundation, Kolkatta and National Library of India, Ministry of Culture, Government of India.

In the welcome address, Prof. S. Thanuskodi, Dean, Faculty of Arts and Head, Department of Library and Information Science, mentioned the contribution of public libraries in knowledgeable society and it's significance for the progression of a nation.

Libraries play a crucial role in building such an intelligent society. The effective functioning of public libraries is a key to nation-building and they have to update their services according to the changing times and provide required services to the seekers of knowledge. Many who could not get institutionalized education, access knowledge and strengthened themselves intellectually by using public libraries. The Department of Library and Information Science has provided space for honing the skills of librarians working in Sivagangai, -

Ramanathapuram and Pudukkottai Districts.

Inaugurating the conference Prof. Ajay Pratap Singh, Director General, Raja Rammohun Roy Library Foundation, Kolkatta and National Library of India, Ministry of Culture, stated about the importance and impact in forming knowledgeable society.

According to the changing situation, it is imperative that public libraries use modern technological facilities to serve their clientele. He added that “for the overall development and modernization of public libraries in India, the Union Government has allocated a sum of Rs. 5000/- Crores and also efforts are underway to set up digital libraries for children”.



Presiding over the event Prof. C. Sekar, Member of the Syndicate, Alagappa University, referred to the unimaginable speed with which the doubling of knowledge is taking place in today's world. He pointed out Emphasising the need for reshaping traditional libraries into next generation libraries, how librarians should up-skill and upgrade themselves continuously to cater to the needs of library users. He exhorted the library professionals to acquire technological skill-set to cope with the developments in the

“Live as if you were to die tomorrow. Learn as if you were to live forever.”

~ Mahatma Gandhi

field and acquisition of skills should be a continuous process in an ever-changing environment.

Prof. V. Chandrakumar, Head, DLIS, University of Madras, in his keynote address, stated that public libraries are dynamic centres providing service to a wide spectrum of readers and their utility value in fostering knowledge and facilitating skill development is immeasurable. Not only libraries in cities and towns but also all libraries in rural regions should be equipped with all the modern facilities as per the needs of the users. Improvement should start from the grass root level and it should be borne from the mind of planners.

Dr. Suresh Jange, Librarian, Gulbarga University, in his vibrant and thought-provoking special address, referred to the vital role of librarians in spreading knowledge and said that “A librarian is a teacher of teachers”. After air, water and food, information is the most important thing demanded by human beings. The dominance of technology has made its impact on the functioning of libraries too and it is the duty of libraries to take this to public libraries in villages. Hence it has become the responsibility of librarians. Libraries are poised for remarkable growth and library professionals should prepare themselves accordingly to face the challenges posed in this era of knowledge explosion.

Prof. Sadik Batcha, Head of the Department of library and Information Science, Annamalai University and Conference Director presented the

conference overview.

A compendium containing 110 abstracts of research papers was released on the occasion by Prof. Ajay Pratap Singh and the copies were received by the distinguished guests. On this occasion a “Knowledge Repository in Digital Form” was launched.

Earlier Prof. S. Thanuskodi, Dean, Faculty of Arts, Alagappa University welcomed the gathering and finally Prof. S. Ravi, Honorary Visiting Professor, DLIS, Alagappa University proposed a vote of thanks.



Invited Lectures

Seven invited talks were delivered by experts on 8th & 9th September. The experts included: Dr. Suresh Jange, Librarian, Gulbarga University, Dr. V.Chandrakumar, Professor & Head, DLIS, University of Madras, Smt.Shompa Das, Scientist- E & Head of Library Information and Publication Division at the Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology, Dr. K.S. Kalyani, Librarian, Government Arts & Science College, Dharmapuri, Dr. Ms.Mamta Maggu, Librarian, Bal Bharathi Public School,

Noida, Dr. B.Jeyapragash, Professor, DLIS, Bharathidasan University, Trichy, Dr.K.Elavazhagan, Librarian & Chief Knowledge Officer, Indian Institute of Management, Trichy.

Panel Discussion

An interesting Panel Discussion on the topic “Role of Public Libraries in the Development of Modern Society” Consisted of 6 experts and chaired by Honorary Visiting Professor Dr. S. Ravi of the Department of Library and Information Science. The discussion was moderated by Dr. R.Balasubramani, Associate Professor,

Valedictory Session

The conference ended with a valedictory session. Prof. S. Thanuskodi delivered the welcome address. The presidential address was delivered by Prof. S. Rajamohan, Registrar i/c, Alagappa University. Prof. S. Rajaram, Member of the Syndicate, offered felicitation. Dr. M. Vijayakumar, Librarian, Pondicherry University, presented the valedictory address. Dr. V.Dhinesh Kumar, Librarian and Information Officer, Kalaingar Centenary Library, delivered the special address.

The vote of thanks was proposed by Honorary Visiting Professor Dr. A. Thirunavukkarasu. The conference report was presented by Dr. R. Jeyshankar, HOD, DLIS, Pondicherry University, Puducherry.

TEN-DAY RESEARCH METHODOLOGY COURSE

The Department of Library Science and Information Science, Alagappa University in collaboration with Indian Council for Social Science Research, New Delhi organized a Ten- Day Research Methodology Course from 4th to 13th October, 2023. The core objective of the Course is to equip the research scholars with a set of skills and potentiality to undertake research very effectively in the disciplines of Social Sciences.

The Course Director Prof. S. Thanuskodi, Dean- Faculty of Arts & Head, Dept. of Library and Information Science, in his welcome address explained the purpose and objectives of the Research Methodology Course. He mentioned that the course has designed to provide opportunities for the researchers to direct and develop their research skills from identifying a research problem to the submission of thesis and research publication as well.



In the inaugural address, Prof. G. Ravi, Vice- Chancellor, Alagappa University referred to the significance of the course and highlighted the need of Social Science research in order to develop conceptual clarity and writing good research papers. He stated that Alagappa University has been recognized by Web of Science, Clarivate Analysis for reaching 1,07,000 citations with regard to the 11,000 reputed publications with in short span of time. He encouraged the participants to interact with the resource persons and also stated that hard work and diligent approach helps the scholars to achieve laurels in research. He added that Alagappa University provides good ambience and excellent library facilities with easy access to all e-journals hence researchers can pursue good research in different fields of study.

Prof. Pravakar Rath, Senior Professor & Head, Department of Library and Information Science, Mizoram University, delivered the key note address and exhorted that the scholars to undertake original and innovative research by bringing new ideas which will be useful to the development of the society. He encouraged the participants to understand the various research components and methods right from identifying the research problem to arrive at the beneficial outcome. He concluded his speech by recommending the participants to get benefit from the program to in order to enhance their research skills.

In his felicitation address, Prof. A. Narayanamoorthy, Senior Professor, Department of Economics and Rural Development, Alagappa University highlighted that methodology is the key to pursue a good research. He focused on the need for quality research publications in the contemporary competitive academic arena. Also, he insisted about the research ethics by avoiding plagiarism which is the key aspect in the research process.

At the end of the inaugural session, Dr. S. Kishore Kumar, Deputy Librarian & Co-Course Director, Alagappa University proposed a vote of thanks. 37 participants from across the country participated in the Ten-day research methodology Course.



LIBRARIANS' DAY CELEBRATION

On the occasion of Librarians Day, August 12, 2023, the celebration was inaugurated by Prof S Ravi, Visiting Professor, and Dr. N. Suresh, the Librarian from Govt. Law College Tiruchirapalli.

The highlight of the celebration was Prof S Ravi's insightful presentation, where he eloquently spoke about the life of the Dr. S R Ranganathan in a simple words elucidated about his contributions to the field of library and information science. Prof S Ravi also narrated about his professional achievements and emphasized the enduring impact of his work on the field of librarianship. The event provided a meaningful reflection on the legacy of Dr. S R Ranganathan and its relevance in contemporary library practices.



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Trends and Technologies” at Department of Library and Information Science, Alagappa University, 8th & 9th September,2023. 42-43.

2. Athulya S & Thanuskodi S ‘Uncovering the Ascendance of Data Science’ National Seminar on “Next-Generation Public Libraries: Exploring Emerging Trends and Technologies” at Department of Library and Information Science, Alagappa University, 8th & 9th September,2023. 42-43.

3. Santhiya G & muthumari P ‘Library Legislation and the Position of Tamil Nadu Public Libraries in India’ National Seminar on “Next-Generation Public Libraries: Exploring Emerging Trends and Technologies” at Department of Library and Information Science, Alagappa University, 8th & 9th September,2023. 42-43.

4. Alagu A & Thanuskodi S ‘Mapping of Pearson Correlation Coefficient of Public Library and Proportion of total Population in India’ National Seminar on “Next-Generation Public Libraries: Exploring Emerging Trends and Technologies” at Department of Library and Information Science, Alagappa University, 8th & 9th September,2023. 56-57.

5. Rathika N & Thanuskodi S ‘Scientometric Analysis of Forensic Science Research Output: A Global Perspective’ National Seminar on “Next-Generation Public Libraries: Exploring Emerging Trends and Technologies” at Department of Library and Information Science, Alagappa University, 8th & 9th September,2023. 59

PHD AWARDED

1.Mr. P. Veera Muthu was awarded Ph.D. from Alagappa University in October, 2023 for his work titled “Scientometric Analysis of Literature on Bioinformatics” under the guidance of Dr. C. Baskaran, Librarian.

2.Mr. SK. Abdul Gaffar was awarded Ph.D. from Alagappa University in November, 2023 for his work titled “Assessment of Information Needs of Tourist and Designing of a Tourism Information System for West Bengal” under the guidance of Dr. S. Kishore Kumar, Deputy Librarian.

CURRENT AFFAIRS

Awards

1.King Charles III and Queen Camilla of the United Kingdom recently presented the prestigious Elephant Family environmental award to Indian conservationists. The award ceremony recognized filmmaker Kartiki Gonsalves, the creative mind behind the Oscar-winning documentary “The Elephant Whisperers,” and the Real Elephant Collective (TREC), a group of 70 Adivasi artists.

2.National Mineral Development Corporation won the ‘Mineral Development Award’ and the ‘Employer Brand of the Year Award’ at ASSOCHAM Business Excellence Awards 2023. July 2023.

3. The Jammu & Kashmir Rural Livelihood (JKRL) has received the SKOCH Award under the theme “State of Governance India 2047” in Gold category for its

outstanding efforts in creating marketing avenues. July 2023.

4. Mumbai's Byculla Railway Station received UNESCO's Asia Pacific Cultural Heritage Award. July 2023.

5. The National Academy of Agricultural Research Management (NAARM) has bagged the Sardar Patel Outstanding ICAR Institute Award 2021.

Sports Awards

1. The Indian women's hockey team wins the title of Torneodel Centenario 2023 by defeating hosts Spain 3-0 in Terrassa, Barcelona. July 2023.

2. India has secured the second position in the World Archery Youth Championships, 2023 held from July 3-9 in Ireland by winning the maximum number of 11 medals. July 2023.

3. India's Annu Rani clinched her second Asian Games medal, and her first gold, in women's javelin throws in Hangzhou in the Asian Games 2023.

4. Neeraj Chopra secured the gold medal and Kishore Kumar Jena clinched the silver in the Men's Javelin Throw competition at the Asian Games 2023, held at Hangzhou.

5. Indian women's Heeral Sadhu, Kartika Jagadeeswaran and Aarathy Kasturi Raj skating teams secured bronze medals in the speed skating 3000m relay competition at the Asian Games in Hangzhou.

6. A 655-member Indian contingent participated in the Asian Games 2023 in Hangzhou, the People's Republic of China from September 23 to October 8. India

finished their Asian Games 2023 campaign with a record haul of 107 medals - 28 gold, 38 silver and 41 bronze. This surpassed India's previous record tally achieved at the last edition at Jakarta 2018, where a 570-strong Indian squad racked up 70 medals - 16 gold, 23 silver, and 31 bronze.

PERSONS IN NEWS

1. Prof. Thalappil Pradeep from the Department of Chemistry at the Indian Institute of Technology Madras has been honored with the prestigious 'Eni Award. July 2023.

2. Indian skydiver Shital Mahajan jumped off a helicopter from the height of 21,500 ft in front of the world's highest peak, Mt Everest. She became the first woman to do so. Mahajan landed at Kalapatthar peak at an altitude 17,444ft, and she is a well-known Indian skydiver who holds several skydiving records and is the recipient of the fourth highest civilian award, the Padma Shri in 2001.

3. Writer and activist Arundhati Roy has been awarded the 45th European Essay Prize for lifetime achievement on the occasion of the French translation of her latest essay, 'Azadi'.

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

1. Chandrayaan-3, in its precise orbit, has begun its journey to the Moon. Health of the Spacecraft is normal. The 'Launch Rehearsal' simulating the entire launch preparation and process lasting 24 hours has been concluded. The launch is scheduled for July 14, 2023.

2. **Aditya-L1 Solar Mission:** ISRO achieved a significant milestone with the successful launch of Aditya-L1, India's first observatory-class space-based solar mission. The mission aims to study the Sun over the next five years.

3. **Quality of Life Index 2023:** India ranked 52nd in the Quality of Life Index, which evaluates countries based on parameters such as internet affordability, quality, infrastructure, security, and e-government. Sep 2023.

4. **The Test Vehicle Abort Mission-1 (TV-D1)** is a high altitude abort test that is part of the Gaganyaan program. The TV-D1 mission is scheduled for October 21, 2023 between 7 AM and 9 AM from SDSC-SHAR, Sriharikota. The TV-D1 mission will demonstrate the performance of the Crew Escape System.

International Current Affairs

1. **Lifetime Disturbing the Peace Award:** Salman Rushdie received an unusual award. He had been in the news for being attacked on stage, enduring 15 stab wounds at the age of 75. This author, known for 'The Satanic Verses,' also faced death threats for years following its 1988 publication, apart from this, he has also won the Booker Prize for his novel 'Midnight's Children.

2. **18th G20 Summit:** India hosted the 18th G20 Summit in New Delhi, with the theme "Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam." Notable outcomes included the adoption of the 'Delhi Declaration,' the admission of the African Union to the G20 (now G21), and the launch of the India-led Global Biofuel Alliance and India-Middle East-Europe Economic Corridor (IMEC). Sep 2023.

3. **Olympic gold medalist Neeraj Chopra** obtained the top spot in Lausanne Diamond League 2023 with a best throw of 87.66 m.

4. **Ukrainian maths professor, Maryna Viazovska**, who won the top mathematics prize, the Fields Medal 2022. Viazovska and three other mathematicians received the Fields Medal, dubbed the Nobel Prize in maths, in Helsinki after the ceremony was moved from Saint Petersburg to the Finnish capital in response to Moscow's war.

STUDENT'S CORNER

Strategies for SDG 3: Health and Well-being Promotion

Achieving SDG 3, "Good Health and Well-being," we need a holistic approach ensuring equitable access to high-quality healthcare. Key strategies include establishing universal health coverage through a multi-sectoral approach as:

- Strengthening primary healthcare systems
- Developing the health workforce
- Implementing preventive health measures
- Enhancing maternal and child health
- Combating communicable diseases
- Cultivating healthy environments

One of the strategies of "Cultivating healthy environments" can be achieved through promoting sustainable agricultural practices like organic farming, integrated pest management (IPM), and agro ecology reduces reliance on chemical pesticides. This diminishes pesticide exposure among farmers and communities, ensuring healthier food production.

Encouraging IPM adoption, supporting small-scale farmers, and investing in research and collaboration are crucial steps. These efforts contribute to SDG progress by creating healthy environments and improving global well-being.

Sivagami M
Research Scholar

Enjoy the Moment

Life is once
Live it at once
Heaven or hell
We can make it as well

Enjoy the moment
Like an infant
Sweet shouts of papa
Warm laps of mamma

Half bitten lollypops
Shared with my little troops
Small skid from the cycle ride
But, on motorbike with little pride.

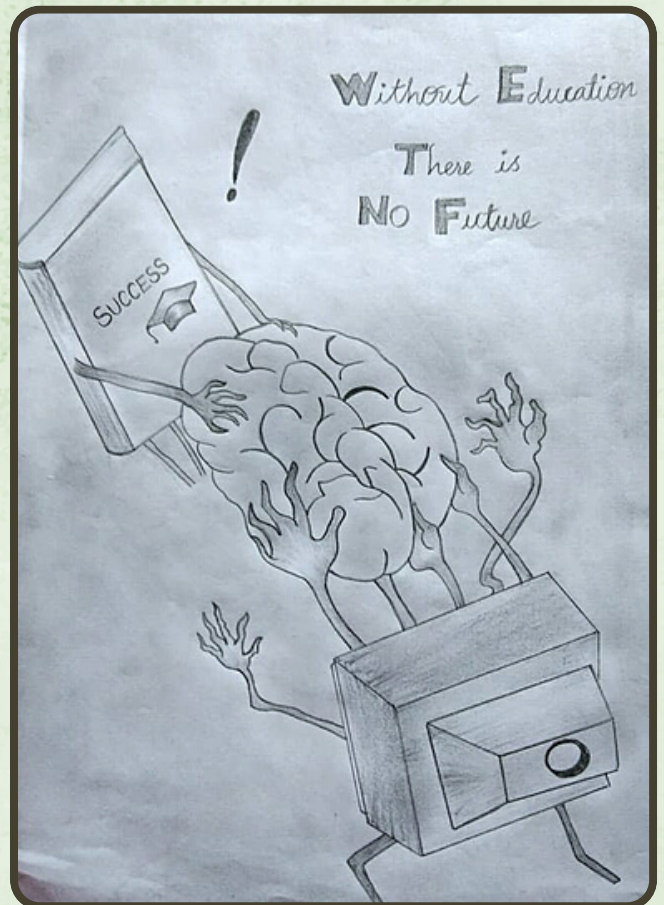
The little penny of my own,
Spent for a charity home;
The stunning victory of my friend
Oh! Joys in life has no end.

Splendid memories of these things
Propels me to stretch my wings
Buddies, spell off your worries
Life is to be lived.

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அன்பு

இவ்வுலகில் இலவசமாக கொடுப்பதும்
எடுப்பதும்

அன்பென்ற பொருள் மட்டுமே
காணக்கிடைக்காத பொருளாய் இருந்தாலும்
கொஞ்சம் முயற்சிக்கலாமே கொடுப்பதற்கு !

நிலவின் ரசிகள்

வெண்மேகம் கூட்டத்தில் ஒளிந்து
விளையாடும்
வெண்ணிலாவே!

மேகத்திற்கென்ன கோவமோ ? கலைந்து
காட்டிக்கொடுக்கிறது உன் அழகை!
உன்னை எதிர்பார்த்ததுதான் இரவும்
கிரங்குகிறது

எங்கே சென்றாய் முழுமதியே! பனிநிலவே!

மதிமுகம்காண மானிடனும் ஏங்குகிறான்
ஓடோடிவா என் வான்மதியே! தேய்பிறையே!
உன்முகம் தேடி கவி எழுதிய விரலும்
இப்போது

இருள் தேடி விழி மயங்கியதே!

பாவக்கம்

செ. இசக்கி ராஜா
முதலாம் ஆண்டு

மனவுறுத்திக்கொள்

மனவுறுதி கொள் !
யாருக்கும் வளைந்து கொடுக்காதே !
தாழ்ந்து நடக்காதே !
உண்மையை கொல்லாதே !
பொய் என்றும் சொல்லாதே !
இலட்சிய பாதையை மாற்றாதே !
பகைவரை வெல்வது மறக்காதே !
முயற்சியை விட்டுவிடாதே !
பயிற்சியை தினம் தினம்
செய்யாமலிருக்காதே !

ஆசிரியர்

ஒரு புத்தகமே என்னிடம் வந்து
என்னை படித்துக் கொள் !
என்னால் பயனடைந்து கொள் !
என்றது .

முடியும் ! முடியாது !

பறவைகளை நேசி பறவையாக முடியாது
இயற்கையே .சுவாசி இயற்கையாக
முடியாது
புத்தகங்களை வாசி புத்தகமாக
முடியாது !ஆனால்
புதிய புத்தகத்தை உருவாக்க முடியும்

பாவக்கம்

எஸ். மஹாலக்ஷ்மி
முதலாம் ஆண்டு



தமிழ்ந்னையே வணங்குவோம்

செழுமை மிக்க தமிழ்ந்னையே!!
பொதிகை மலையில் தோன்றி
ஐம்பூதங்களையும் அடக்கி ஆளும்
-அன்நையே!!

கடல் கொண்ட குமரிக்கண்டதில்
-நிலைத்த பேரரசியே!!

திருக்குறளின் பெருமைக்குரியவளே
திருவாசகத்தின் மணிமுடியே
சிலப்பதிகாரத்தின் சிகரமே
மணிமேகலையின் அழகியே
உன்னைப் பற்றிப் பாடத பாடலும் -இல்லை
உன்னை வணங்காத தெய்வமும் -இல்லை
உனக்கு ஈடான தெய்வமே இங்கு -இல்லை
பாரி முதல் வள்ளல்களை ஈன்ற
-அன்நையே!!

இந்த மண்ணில் பிறந்த
-அனைவருக்கும் ஒருதாய் உண்டு
அந்த ஒவ்வொரு தாய்க்கும் ஒரே தாய்
-தமிழ்ந்னை நீதானே!!

பாவக்கம்
சி.சுவைதா
துறை
முதலாம் ஆண்டு

பூட்டிய சுதந்திரம்

மிக சிறந்த புரட்சியாளர்கள் எல்லாம்
பெண்களை
பூட்டி வைத்து போரடிக்கிறார்கள்
வெளியே நின்று....
பெண் சுதந்திரம் வேண்டும் என்ற
கோசம் முழங்க...

மறந்த காத்தாடி

அரசாங்க மின்சாரத்தில்
அரைக்குறையாய் ஓடும்
மின்விசிறியின் கீழ்...
ஒரு புத்தகம்...
வெகு நேரமாய் ஒரு சில பக்கங்களை
மட்டுமே
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சரிவர எடுத்து வைக்காத புத்தகமும்
நகர்ந்த இருக்கையும்....
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