

**ADINET Quarterly Seminar 2019**  
**Jointly Organized by**  
**ADINET & School of Library and Information Science,**  
**Central University of Gujarat,**  
**Gandhinagar - 382030**

ADINET has been regularly conducting Quarterly Seminars on contemporary topics for the Library and Information Science (LIS) professionals in reputed institutions with an objective to create a platform for the LIS professionals to come together and discuss issues of mutual concern and understand the best practices of various libraries in Ahmedabad and Gandhinagar. The first quarterly seminar of the year 2019 is being organized jointly by ADINET and School of Library and Information Science, Central University of Gujarat on **9<sup>th</sup> March 2019** (Saturday) at School of Library and Information Science, Central University of Gujarat, Sector 29, Gandhinagar. The topic of the seminar is **“Rethinking Role of Libraries in National Development.”**

The focus of the present government is on Digital India, which aims to transform the society into a digitally empowered society. Initiatives like Make in India, Startup India, National Skill Development Corporation, etc. have made major strides in empowering the citizens with the necessary skills and knowledge. Libraries can play a pivotal role in enhancing the outreach of these initiatives, thereby contributing to the national development. As Library and Information Science Professionals we need to redefine our role in national development. Hence the theme “Rethinking Role of Libraries in National Development.”

Central University of Gujarat (CUG), with potential for excellence in higher education was established in 2009 by an Act of Parliament. It has successfully implemented digital initiatives, e-content development and blended learning using technology. Presently, the university has 11 Schools with 21 Centers and two independent Centers with more than 30 programs. The School of Library and Information Science at CUG, currently offers programs which are relevant in the present context of knowledge society. It has been established with the objectives to train competent human resource to build and maintain the reservoir of memory; to prepare students in the application of ICT; to develop competent professionals for promoting access to useful knowledge by the process of digitization and to involve in capacity building activities to create a Digital India at large. The School offers the following programmes: Master of Library and Information Science (M. Lib. I. Sc.), a two-year integrated programme, Post Graduate Diploma in Digital Library and Information Management (PGDLIM) of a year’s duration with online classes and contact classes and PhD (LIS) programme.

CUG’s approach towards higher education, encourages collaboration of LIS professionals working in various institutions by coming together and discussing the role of libraries in national development from different perspectives. ADINET and CUG have thus created a platform for productive interaction and learning on such a crucial topic.

## **Tentative Program Schedule**

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Refreshments	VLRC Lobby	10.30 – 11.00 a.m.
Welcome Address	Dr. Rashmi Kumbar	11.00 – 11.10 a.m.
ADINET forthcoming plans	Mrs. Rhoda Bharucha	11.15 – 11.25 a.m.
Introduction to CUG Library	Dr. K. B. Agadi	11.30 – 11.40 a.m.
Brief of ASIS&T South Asia	Dr. Bhakti Gala	11.40 – 11.45 p.m.
<b>Session I:</b>		
Re-skilling: The Call of the Day	Mr. Manish Mankad	11.45 – 12.15 p.m.
<b>Session II:</b>		
Rethinking Role of Librarians in the Present Day	Mr. Saroj Das	12.20 – 12.50 p.m.
Vote of Thanks	Dr. Minaxi	12.50 – 1.00 p.m.
<b>LUNCH</b>	VLRC Lobby	01.00 – 02.00 p.m.
Visit to CUG Central Library, Sector 30	Coordinated by Dr. K B Agadi	02.00 – 03.00 p.m.

**3.00 p.m. Dispersal**

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### **Kindly note:**

Vehicle arrangement from Ahmedabad to Gandhinagar can be made depending on the number of participants. The vehicle will start from AMA, Ahmedabad at 9.30 a.m. sharp. Participants willing to come directly on their own are also requested to register their name, on contact numbers given below or by sending an email at [alibnet@gmail.com](mailto:alibnet@gmail.com).

LIS Professionals from Universities, Special Libraries, Colleges, Schools and Public Libraries are welcome to participate in this Quarterly Seminar. Please confirm your participation to Smt. Rhoda R. Bharucha (26860730) or to **Dr. Bhakti Gala/Dr. Rashmi Kumbar (9824257607/9825600176)** or send an e-mail to [alibnet@gmail.com](mailto:alibnet@gmail.com), latest by 1<sup>st</sup> March 2019. A token of Rs.100/- is charged as registration fees to ensure confirmed participation.

**Please fill up the attached Registration Form.**