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Dear Friends,

This is the last issue for this year. We will soon be entering into the next year. A new year is a time for new beginnings, new opportunities and a time for making new resolutions. Can we resolve in this New Year to join hands, to work together, to share resources whereby we can provide more services to our users? ADINET has created a **WhatsApp Group** for our members. We will be posting details of news such as publications of ADINET Newsletter, e-News Digest, CUCOLIS etc. We also plan to have a series of write ups on **Life Skills/Soft Skills** which includes Social Skills, Cognitive Skills & Emotional Skills. This will have a positive impact to improve our identity.

Report of the Workshop

on Health Information for All

A one day workshop titled 'Health Information for all' was conducted by ADINET at the **Bina Shreyas Pandya Health Education Information Resource Centre**, Sadvichar Parivar, on 2nd July 2016. The inaugural session began with a prayer by Ms Swadha Majumdar and was followed by a floral welcome and a book as token of respect to all the dignitaries.

Ms **Rhoda Bharucha**, Honorary Director, ADINET gave the welcome address and briefly introduced ADINET

activities. She stated that since Dr. Pankaj Shah, Senior Oncologist and Trustee of the Sadvichar Parivar felt that there was an urgent need to create a Public Library on Health, ADINET has been working on developing this public health library. She gave facts and figures of the e-resources and book collection available at the Bina Shreyas Pandya Health Education Information Resource Centre. This Library will be a big boon to students and doctors, since it will help them to stay abreast of the latest developments. Ms. Bharucha strongly felt that there was a need to form an **Association of Medical Librarians** and also a **Network of Medical Colleges & Institutions in Gujarat**.

The Managing Trustees, **Dr Pankaj Shah** and **Shri P K Laheri** shared their views and objective regarding this Workshop, the activities of Sadvichar Parivar and the overall contributions of the invited dignitaries. They gave the idea of bringing out a series of Parichay Pustikas, Information Booklets for Public Health Awareness.

The highlight of this session was the felicitation of **Dr Mukund Mehta** for his life time commitment for health and education information, by **Shri Piyush Desai**, Trustee, Sadvichar Parivar. Dr Mehta inspired the audience with his experiences as a medical practitioner and presently, as a laughter therapist. He motivated the audience to take health and fitness as a priority by spending some time to exercise daily, do only positive thinking and use laughter as a therapy.

The inaugural session had two invited talks by renowned doctors of the city. The first talk was by **Dr Dileep Mavalankar**, Director, Public Health University. The takeaways of Dr Mavalankar's talk was that we as information professionals, need to look beyond making available the information regarding public health and to find ways to see to it that the knowledge shared is implemented. He felt that this would play a major role in preventing diseases. Another important point he made was about 'Food Psychology' which needs to be introduced in Medical Syllabus and how essential it is to bring a change in social behaviour of the people. Dr. Mavalankar insisted that library professionals need to focus on improving public libraries for providing **Public Health information**. He urged the librarians to consider setting up **Virtual Museums** as part of libraries for information sharing and strengthening the assistance provided towards medical research.

The key note address was delivered by **Dr Shilin Shukla**, Professor Emeritus and Former Director of Medical Oncology at GCRI. The address, accompanied by a very informative power point presentation affirmed the principles of all the library professionals about libraries, library science, librarians and information. Dr Shukla stressed on the important role, health literacy plays in the society and how libraries need to focus on imparting it to their users. He also talked about the necessity of librarians' knowledge and skills to help medical professionals in integrating evidence based practice. Dr Shukla called on the professionals to become a part of clinical team and play the role of an '**Outreach Librarian**'. The key note address helped the library professionals to redesign their roles in patient education arena and health information. The inaugural session ended on a productive note with the trustees calling on the library professionals to play a proactive role in supporting **Public Health Movement** taken up by Sadvichar Parivar.

After lunch, the technical session of the workshop was held. The professional group introduced themselves so that a network could be created and also could reach out to one another when in need of information. The session had six presentations by medical librarians.

The first presentation was by **Dr. Lalitha Poluru**, Librarian, Institute of Pharmacy, Nirma University on the topic '**Community Based Health Information**'. Dr Lalitha discussed in length about National Health Mission, the Programme, and its Implementation Plan under **Urban Health Mission** and **Rural Health Mission**. The presentation also covered Programmes of State Health Society, Health & Family Welfare Department Govt of Gujarat along with NHM Additionalities – **ASHA**. The various Schemes of State Health Society, Health & Family Welfare Dept., Govt of Gujarat like Mukhya Mantry Amrutum, Rogi Kalyan Samiti (Poor Patients Benefit Scheme), BalSakha Yojana, Janani Suraksha Yojana, Immunization were introduced. Initiatives like **SQIP** (Sickle Cell Anemia Control Programme, ASHA Sammelan, E- mamta, Mission Balam Sukham (Mamta Doli), PMCC were discussed. The presenter also shared the need for National Urban Health Mission, Key Features of **NUHM**, its Coverage, Focus, Estimated Funds, Model, and relevant Terminology. She also gave details about some Healthcare Services provided by Urban Healthcare Centres and concluded with how we can contribute to society as Information Professionals by Networking and collaborating with local Medical Officers, helping them by providing space to organize various health awareness programmes. We also need to provide healthcare related information to the public by keeping useful healthcare pamphlets in the library.

The second presentation was by **Mr R S Khetra**, Former Librarian, B J Medical College Ahmedabad on the topic '**Gujarat State Medical Consortium, Virtual Library Project**'. Mr Khetra introduced the B J Medical College & its library. The Concept and Need for the Virtual Library was covered by him in detail. The presentation discussed the inception of Gujarat State Medical Consortium, the

advantages and disadvantages of the virtual library, also the e-content available in the virtual library. The presenter also listed Journals which can be accessed from the National Medical Library, the number of institutes & students using this Virtual Library and the MCI recommendation. The author justified the usage of E-books and gave the Usage statistic, the cost analysis of E-books v/s print book. The details of the procedure to be observed for procurement of e-books/journals, was shared. The presenter also gave the names of e-journals package, name of e-books package available in the market. The criteria for selection of products and the technical terms of e-journals purchased were discussed. The User Awareness Program at BJMC and the training programs conducted at member institutions together with the efforts to make training successful were also discussed.

The third presentation was by **Mr Rajesh Chandrakar**, Librarian, Shanti Business School on the topic **Public Library at Sadvichar Parivar using KOHA**. He discussed the major contribution of ADINET in developing this Library. Mr Chandrakar also presented the comparison of commercial software, freeware & open source software. The author also gave an overview about what is a Free Library Open Source Software (FLOSS), its importance and use of FLOSS in Library Automation. Some FLOSS like Koha, New GenLib, PHP, MyLibrary, WEBLIS were discussed. Technical features of Koha, like acquisition, circulation, OPAC etc. were briefly touched upon. He explained briefly as to how to access Sadvichar Parivar Library.

The fourth presentation was by **Dr Dhaval Bhatt**, Chief Librarian, Parul University on '**Marketing of Library Services through Social Media**'. The presentation focused on information being disseminated through Internet, especially on social media. She discussed the need of social media platform in library, the advantages of social networking, types of social network tools, the types of content for social media like images, videos, text, etc in the context of information services. Dr Bhatt discussed in length about the various services provided using social networking in the web based environment. The use of tools like Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, Pinterest, in providing effective services was discussed. The presentation gave details about sharing information through buttons and badges, image sharing, content syndication, RSS feeds, etc. The presenter concluded that social media tools can be used to market our resources and services and also use it as a platform to share one another's views, ideas, etc.

The fifth presentation was by **Ms Nuri Kalita Chauhan**, Head of Library & Information Services, GCRI. The presentation discussed **Digital Resources**, the forms of the digital content, etc. Ms Chauhan discussed the building of digital content like electronic published & unpublished repository, Institutional repository, open access digital contents, consortium based e-resources, web portals & web pages. The presentation focused on medical libraries and digital resources for medical and allied science fields. Various model of medical digital resources like E-Journals, National Database of Indian medical journals, Free Book Centre.net, and details of other medical databases

were shared. She also discussed briefly the life cycle of digital resources and problems encountered in building digital resources. Legal issues like copyright and guidelines for copyrighted content like fair use, license agreement, etc were briefly touched upon. The author also spoke about the GCRI digital library and their institutional repository. She stated that there was further scope for research and study in areas namely Return on Investment, Classification of material for academic and commercial use etc.

The final presentation of **Mr Sanjay Limbachiya** was presented by his colleague as the author was not present. The title of the presentation was '**Access to E-Resource for the Health Science & Health Related Web Sites**' by Sanjay N. Limbachiya Librarian, AMC Dental College & Hospital, Khokhra. The author shared the types of electronic information resources, the important publishers, international and national organizations, associations and private organizations in this area. The presenter also gave a list of Health Related Web sites. Online Health Magazines, Online Doctor Consultation, National & International, Social network for doctors. The author was of the opinion that there is a need to look at the far more in depth advantages of open access and its potential within and outside organizations.

The technical session came to an end with the summarization of the outcome of the interactions and paper presentations and the action points that need to be noted. The crucial ones are mentioned below.

1. Consider setting up of **Virtual Museums** in public libraries to create awareness about diseases, their prevention, public health and related issues.
2. Bring out **information booklets** in simple language about common diseases, their causes, prevention, precautions, treatments available, course of treatment, etc.
3. Libraries should promote **Health Literacy** through small yet noticeable services for their users, especially public libraries.
4. Library staff affiliated with libraries of medical colleges, public hospitals, and medical research institutes should send basic and specific information - for example, opening & closing hours of the hospital/Institute, the treatments available, specialists' availability, fees, etc. and any other information which will be of use to the general public. Dissemination of **General Information**
5. Formation of a **Network of Librarians** serving in medical college/Public Librarians/research institutes.
6. Compilation of **Newspaper Articles relating to Public Health**, diseases, prevention, etc. and circulate to all the concerned libraries and centres.
7. Strengthen the information services to provide efficient & effective support to **Research Activities in Medical Institutes**.

Reported by Dr. Rashmi Kumbar, Librarian, School of Engineering & Applied Science, Ahmedabad University

Librarians' Day Seminar

held at INFLIBNET Centre, Gandhinagar

Inauguration:

After the registration and high tea, the seminar started with 'Saraswati Vandana' recited by Ms. Swadha Majmudar. Mrs. Rhoda Bharucha, Hon. Director, ADINET welcomed the audience and introduced all the eminent dignitaries present on the dais. She gave a brief introduction of ADINET and its activities carried throughout the year. Introducing the topic, she mentioned the relevance of the current theme and its role in present library background. She also discussed how Ethical Values and ICT tools are important to Librarianship and also highlighted the contribution of Women Librarians. She encouraged collaborative research with other relevant subject disciplines.

The seminar began with the lighting of the lamp by the chief guest Dr.S.B.Sharma and all the dignitaries on the dais. The Book of Papers was also released during the inauguration.

Mr. Manoj Kumar K., INFLIBNET Centre welcomed the delegates. He spoke about Shodhganga, the national electronic repository of theses and gave an overview of the history of Indian theses. He also spoke about the important leadership role played by women in the LIS field.

Address by Chief Guest- Professor S.B.Sharma, Executive President (Vice Chancellor) of the Indus University, Ahmedabad

Prof. S.B. Sharma in his inaugural address said that Books are our best friend and that the Librarian is not only the information keeper, but he is also the navigator for specific requirements of the readers. He quoted some lines from the Bhagwad Gita for values which Library Profession need. He also emphasized the value of ethos in Library Science. He stressed on what is our duty and what is our right. He said that Indian Library Professionals should be character driven for knowledge.

The presidential address was given by Mr. P.K. Laheri Chairman of ADINET. He reminisced the past. He said that Librarians are no less than Teachers. He mentioned that in earlier days, Class and Subject were the two pillars based on which books were classified, but nowadays information is classified on the basis of topic. He also said that to acquire knowledge there is no short cut.

At the end of the inaugural session Mr. H.G. Hosamani, INFLIBNET gave the Vote of Thanks.

First Panel: Research in Library & Information Science

The first technical session was chaired by Mr. Manoj Kumar K. Scientist-D (CS) at INFLIBNET. There were five presentations in this session on different topics. The first paper titled "Innovative Researches in LIS" by Mr.

Manoj Kumar K. and Archita Muchadia from INFLIBNET Center briefly described the new trends to be considered for research and presented the research trends from Shodhganga.

The second paper entitled "Current Trends in LIS Research" was presented by Dr. Bhakti Gala, Assistant Professor, Central University of Gujarat. She stressed that there is an urgent need for collaboration and expertise by Indian researchers. Working with people from different disciplines adds value and global dimensions to LIS research.

The next presentation was by Mr. Mallikarjun Dora, Senior Professional Assistant, Vikram Sarabhai Library, IIM-A on "Research Trends in Library and Information Science in India and World," The author explored the research trends from 1950-2012 through the Ph.D. dissertations and forecasted the trends using journal article keywords also.

On completion of the session, Mr. Manoj Kumar K. summed up the main points from the papers presented and shared his views on the different issues.

Second Panel: Library Ethics

The second technical session started immediately after lunch. The session was chaired and the first presentation was by Dr. Shailesh R. Yagnik, LIS Head, MICA. He felt that there was very little awareness about Library Ethics. He discussed library ethics and professional values. Dr. Yagnik felt that in the absence of a Code for Library Ethics formed by Associations, it is necessary to have some guidelines for library professionals so that library professionals can maintain and build the image of this profession. He gave some of the processes and tips to maintain library ethics and professional values.

The second presentation was by Ms. Geeta G. Gadhavi, Associate Professor and Co-Ordinator LIS Department, Gujarat University, titled "Ethical Librarianship." The author provided a brief overview of ethical behavior at the world level and professional level. Besides providing several definitions of ethics, she emphasised on the need for ethics. She urged us to be more proactive in keeping our knowledge current, keeping up with current library trends, with IT trends, and user's needs.

Next paper in the session was "Ethics in Higher Education" by Dr. Lalitha Poluru, Librarian, Institute of Pharmacy & Science, Nirma University. She spoke about the importance of ethical framework in institutes of higher education in India and highlighted the points to be included in the ethical framework. She stated that besides creating an ethical framework it was essential to strictly adhere to it.

Ms. Monita K. Shastri, Librarian, Institute of Management, Nirma University, gave a presentation on "Morals and Ethics to be followed in Libraries." She quoted the renowned definition related to ethics and philosophy to explain the importance of ethics in the library and also discussed the ALA Code of Ethics.

Third Panel: Women's Contribution to Librarianship

This panel discussion was chaired by Dr. Urmila Thaker, Former Professor and LIS Head, PG Department, Sardar Patel University. She felt that over the years, women's contribution to librarianship has been very significant. Unfortunately their contribution has not been documented. She briefly discussed the important and pioneering role played by some women especially in the field of Library Automation, both in Ahmedabad and in India. In this panel discussion, the speakers highlighted some important contribution of women in the LIS field.

The first panel member Dr. Rashmi Kumbar, Librarian, School of Engineering & Applied Science, Ahmedabad University discussed "Transforming Librarianship." She stated that women have the power to create, nurture and transform. Since these qualities are also expected of a leader, the adage "librarianship is leadership" is more appropriate for women who have had a successful career in the profession. As research shows, to contribute to librarianship in a leadership role, one needs to develop "Professional Competencies" as well as "Personal Competences."

Ms. Sheetal Tank, Librarian, Atmiya Institute of Technology & Science gave a presentation on "Moving towards excellence: transcending through librarianship." She stated that libraries are now transformed into learning centers. She strongly felt that that it was our duty to know our readers and to not only help them, but to see that they are fully satisfied. She explained that this profession gives us an opportunity to transcend and to grow. Sheetal stressed on the need to understand harmony in ourselves, in society and in nature. Also it was essential to be aware of our roles, responsibilities, and values.

The last presentation was "Women's Contribution to Librarianship" by Ms. Prabha Pattani, Librarian, Shri H K Commerce College. She studied the data from AISHE (All India Survey of Higher Education) and from Census of India data for finding the contribution of women librarianship. She enumerated a large number of issues which women librarians face and also highlighted factors which limit their growth.

Reported by Mr. Jayaprakash Sivaswamy, Professional Assistant, IIM-A