ADINET (Advance Information Network of Libraries in Gujarat)

NEWSLETTER

"Empowering Libraries, Empowering Librarians."

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FROM EDITOR'S DESK:

Dear LIS Professionals,

EXPECTATION V/S REALITY

No users are equal in knowledge and technology use because of their exposure levels. In the same way, no library professional is equal in knowledge and use of technology in libraries. Users are at the demand end, and library professionals are at the service end. Mahatma Gandhi said that the "customer is a Boss", so what we do for them to satisfy their demand is always minimal, and the sky is the limit.

There is always a gap between expectations and Reality. Resources and technology utilization can be done through Information and technology literacy programs, and they are the two sides of one coin that neutralize services, support and optimum utilisation. To meet users' expectations, LIS professionals must update themselves on the LIS subject, Information Technology, and the subject/s in which the organisation is engaged. Knowing the subject and technology is one part of it, but utilising practically for the better use of resources is another part of it. Everybody knows the word "AI", but how many use it in their libraries? Each library professional has to keep some time for reading to update themselves and R & D in areas such as Artificial Intelligence (AI), Augmented Reality (AR), Virtual Reality (VR), Blockchain, Robotics, Library Automation, Open-Source Software, Internet of Things (IoT), Smart Libraries, Personalized Learning, Digital Rights Management (DRM), Immersive Experiences, Data Analytics in Libraries, Library Management Systems (LMS), Interactive Learning Environments, Self-Service Technologies, Cloud Computing, Sustainable Libraries, Digital Preservation, Collaborative Platforms.

Remember, change is a continuous process; we can't stop the change. If we stop the change, the system will

throw us out, and we are outdated in the profession. If we read, we survive. We sustain this by doing R&D of using technology and applying it to the library, and then we minimise the gap between reality and expectations.

REIMAGINE LIBRARY-DYNAMIC LIBRARY GOVERNANCE BY DR. SHAILESH YAGNIK

INTRODUCTION:
Reimagine library:

Reimagining a library is a continuous process, such as channeling new reservoir water. To absorb new knowledge, one must learn, unlearn, and relearn the knowledge to keep a library up-to-date and relevant to the current scenario.

Dynamic Library Governance:
Dynamic: This term refers to dynamic as thinking out of the box, full of creativity, full of energy, full of new and exciting ideas, continuous and productive, always active, changing, enthusiastic, and effective action.

Library: The library is a social institution.

Governance: The Governance Institute has defined governance as "the system by which an organisation is controlled and operates and the mechanisms by which it, and its people, are held to account.

Ethics, risk management, compliance, and administration are all elements of governance. As per Bradshaw & Fredette 2009; Institute on Governance, Sporn, 2006 quoted in Revitt and Luyk, governance is about the structure and process of making decisions and how stakeholders make their voices heard.

A library is an institution within the university system, so It is expected to function with good governance. I would like to quote the book "Team of the Teams: New Rules of Engagement for a Complex World" by General Stanely McChrystal. This is an indispensable guide to organisational change. An excellent library supported by quality collections is an asset to academia. It contributes to the intangible assets of

knowledge seekers engaged in studying, teaching, self-learning, research, consulting, writing cases and patents, conducting training programs, etc. The library enables the academic community to access information and to develop the skills and confidence to improve their future and the nation's economy. Information can make a massive difference to students in finding a job, staying healthy, individuals' understanding of their rights, protecting nature, and national development. Knowledge helps them to become a responsible citizen.

- **Library Governance**
  Vision (Dream destination) and Mission (Game plan):
  Every library has its vision and mission, which vary in words, but the ultimate objective is to give the best support to the academic community.

  Broad Structure: Authority (VC) – Library Governance/Committee – End Users---Library Governance is the catalyst between the authorities and the end users. The purpose of the Library Committee is to act as a channel of communication and dialogue between the University Library and its end users. The Committee's main objective is to aid in the establishment of a bridge between the library, the academic fraternity, and the institute management.

  Composition of Library Governance /Committee:
  The University's Vice Chancellor appoints the Library Committee (LC), a statutory committee. Various websites show the library governance as Vice-Chancellor as Chairman and Librarian as member Secretary. This is the most

common in all universities. Other members are PVC, Registrar, Deans, Chairman, External Library Experts,Students representatives, Faculty Representatives, invitee provision at some universities, Finance person, etc. There is a term period for Library Governance and sometimes rotation within the systems. This structure varies from library to library.

The composition of Dynamic Library Governance may be based on the following 8 principles of Good Governance by Amitav Banerji, a former diplomat and international civil servant, published in Global and National Leadership in Good Governance, UN Chronicle, 2015, UN.
Participation – Voice their opinion
Rule of Law – Legal framework should be enforced impartially
Consensus Oriented – A common minimum can be achieved
Equity and Inclusiveness – Assures an equitability
Effectiveness and Efficiency – Resources should be used for maximum output
Accountability – Accountable to stakeholders
Transparency – Access to information
Responsiveness – Serve all stakeholders in a reasonable time

Strategic Vision - Strategic vision is ultimately the responsibility of the Board (Library Governance) added by BroadPro Software Company.

There are variations in the structure of the Library Governance, and information is not readily available on the website. There are no standard guidelines or norms for all universities from the UGC's end. No commission or committee has dealt much with it. The library budget part was discussed and suggested as a 6.5% share of the university budget. But I don't think it is judiciously followed; otherwise, our university libraries could be like foreign ones. For e.g., JNU

Library, IIMs, IITs, and Private University Libraries. The Library Governance Structure

varies from university to university. Only Academic books have mentioned library

governance. Research is required to study this area.

The library governance encounters some challenging issues mentioned here are to be solved.

- Increase the frontier of Librarianship.
- New Education Policy: Develop the collections in Indian Knowledge Systems
- Marketing of Resources
- Return on Investment
- Future value: moving from library use to library impact. The library plays a vital role for students in enrolment, retention and graduation, success, achievement, learning, student experience, research productivity, faculty grant proposals and funding, faculty teaching, and institutional reputation (ACRL report in OCLC newsletter 2010 issue 17)
- The library contributes to intangible assets like filling the knowledge gap, creating new knowledge, defeating fear, creativity, business opportunity guidance, increasing entrepreneurial ability, innovation, and design thinking, which is to be tapped through surveys.
- Contribution to the Institution
- As per the World Economic Forum: Geopolitics, Artificial Intelligence, Future of Work, Art and Culture, Rebuilding trust in the future, and The immediate challenges are climate and Nature.

- Disruptive technology (Cloud technology, Big data, 3d printer, 5G technology, AI, Machine Learning)
- Work from home
  The libraries connect to current and future requirements depending on how Dynamic it handles the situation.

Role and Responsibility of the Library Governance

It is a policy-making body for the library service, funds, books, staff, allocation of funds for various activities, and writing off unserviceable books or loss of books. The library functions according to policies prepared by the Library Governance or the committee. It helps with library planning and development activities. The Macro and Micro level activities of each library are described in the manual or website depending on how small, medium, and large the university library is in its size.

There is no consistency in Library Governance among various university library information websites. Some university libraries have details properly placed on their websites, and in the case of some universities, they can be found easily, but some universities do not keep any details. Structure of Library Staff, their duties in detail, and Rules and Regulations to run the library.

Conclusion:

Let me tell you that not much work has been done in the Library Governance area. I could not see any research in Shodhganga on Library Governance or committees. One can count the research papers on the fingertips Under the heading "Library Governance in University or University Library Governance." ILA, IASLIC, and MANLIBNET did not touch this topic directly. There is a scope of research for research papers on Library governance in India and a doctoral thesis on their scope and purpose, rules of procedure, and connection to institutional governance structures. One exciting paper I could see on

the opposite situation is Library Leadership in University Leadership and Governance by Jessica Boyer in ACRL 2023 of ALA. Another promising research paper on The Role of Library Councils in Canadian Higher Education: An Exploratory Study by Eva Revitt and Sean Luyk was published in 2019.

This information is based on the university library websites, research papers and other information.

ONE NATION ONE SUBSCRIPTION (ONOS) :COMPILED BY KRUTI J. TRIVEDI SCIENTIST D (LS), INFLIBNET
https://www.onos.gov.in/about

Introduction

The Prime Minister of India in his address to the Nation from the ramparts of the Red Fort on 15th August, 2022, had pointed out the importance of Research and Development in our country in the Amrit Kaal. He had given the clarion call of **"Jai Anusandhan"** on the occasion.

The National Education Policy, 2020 (NEP 2020) has also identified research as a corequisite for outstanding education and development in our country.

In response to the vision of making India Atmanirbhar and Viksitbharat@2047, the Government of India approved One Nation One Subscription scheme to provide country-wide access to international high impact scholarly research articles and journal publications to students, faculty and researchers of all Higher Education Institutions managed by the central government and state

governments and Research & Development Institutions of the central government.

The One Nation One Subscription (ONOS) intends to acquire national

licenses for e-journal/database subscriptions from most of the prominent journal publishers. A total of 30 major international journal publishers have been included in ONOS. All the journals published by these publishers will be accessible to the students, faculty members and researchers of the participating institutions.

The initiative will open a goldmine of knowledge available in top quality scholarly journals to nearly 1.8 crore students, faculty members, researchers and scientists of all disciplines, including those in tier 2 and tier 3 cities, thereby encouraging core as well as interdisciplinary research in the country.

The ONOS is starting its operation from 1st January 2025. ONOS phase-I has been approved for the calendar years 2025, 2026 and 2027.

Access to journals are being provided through national subscription coordinated by the Information and Library Network (INFLIBNET) Centre, an autonomous inter-university centre of the University Grants Commission (UGC), Gandhinagar, Gujarat.

The Department of Higher Education, Government of India will have a unified portal "One Nation One Subscription" (https://www.onos.gov.in/) through which the institutions will be able to access the journals. The ANRF will periodically review the usage of One Nation One Subscription and publications of Indian authors of these institutions.

One Nation One Subscription is a timely step towards establishing India in the global research ecosystem by bringing ease of doing research to the doorstep of all students, faculty members and researchers in the government institutions.

Background

Before ONOS, access to subscription journals were being acquired through different library consortia of government departments, academic and R & D institutions; and through individual subscriptions by various higher education and R & D institutions.

The Major 10 Library Consortia were :

Sl. No.	Consortium/Group of Institutions/ Department/Ministry
1	E-Shodh Sindhu (ESS) Consortium under Department of Higher Education (DHE)
2	National Knowledge Resource Consortium (NKRC) of the Department of Science & Technology (DST) and Department of Scientific and Industrial Research (DSIR)
3	DERCON Consortium under Ministry of Earth Sciences (MoES)
4	CERA Consortium under Department of Agricultural Research & Education (DARE)
5	DESIDOC under Department of Defence Research and Development (DDR&D)
6	Electronic Resources in Medicine (ERMED) Consortium under Department of Health Research (DHR)
7	Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY)
8	DeLCON Consortium for Department of Biotechnology (DBT) and North-Eastern Region Institutes
9	Department of Atomic Energy (DAE) consortium
10	Department of Space (DoS) consortium

In addition, many Higher Education Institutions used to subscribe some of the journals of these publishers at the institution level.
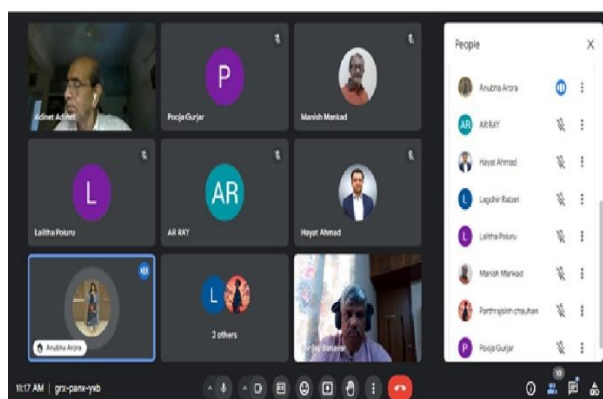
ADINET ACTIVITIES

AMC Primary School Library Project

ADINET is dedicated to its commitment. AMC Project of Primary School Libraries is progressing slowly but steadily. ADINET has completed the 20,000 books automation task of four libraries in Ellisbridge Shala, Ramdevnagar Primary School, Jodhpur Shala No. 1, and Jodhpur Shala No. 2. Work in progress for Ranip Shala No – 4, Sola Primary School, Shreyas School No – 29, and Make a Difference. Those interested in contributing to this project are requested to contact Ms. Sangita Bhatt.

Image Building Programme

ADINETYUVA has taken this initiative to build up image-building programs for the library profession. The image-building programme on the Library profession will be organised at Marwari University – Rajkot in collaboration with ADINET. This will be a one-day programme. The same programme will be replicated at different places in Gujarat.

Collaborative Wisdom

Collaborative Wisdom's monthly online webinar was on 23rd November 2024 on "Building Sustainable and Resilient Libraries". We are living in constant change, such as severe weather, global political unrest, food insecurity and drought, air and water depletion of natural resources, rising sea levels, more frequent and the multitude of economic, political, technological and social disruptions that are evolving concurrently with these life-threatening developments, what the world needs now is more empathy, respect and understanding so that people can pull together to find shared solutions to the issues that affect us all.

Many libraries have faced the problem, but clear policies have not evolved. It was one of the suggestions that ADINET should compile the list and make it available to the library professionals. Some initiatives, such as Sustainable Libraries Initiatives, Sustainability and Libraries – ALA Guide, Environment, Sustainability, and Libraries Section – IFLA, and some interesting papers on this subject you will find. ADINET Team will work on this and prepare the bibliography.

Libraries are very well positioned to play an increasingly important role in helping communities thrive in the face of the disruptions our world faces. We cannot address just one facet of our community; we must consider a community as a whole system.

Public Library Proposal

ADINET has submitted a proposal to the Directorate of Public Libraries to conduct a training programme for librarians in the public library system. This will be subject to government approval.

ADINET & Sadvichar Parivar

ADINET is helping Sadvichar Parivar, Naroda Branch, set up the Knowledge Centre. It covers areas such as Skill Development activities and Schemes, UPSC sources of information, G.K. sources, Exam Papers, Medical Information, etc. Mr. Bhavesh Patel, IIMA, is helping ADINET and Sadvichar Parivar with automation and IT support.

ADINET Union Catalogue

Dr. Banka Bihari Chand and Mr. Bhavesh Patel handle the ADINET Union Catalogue Project. They are working on an economical solution. They conducted the pilot, and the outcome was shared with ADINET.We request that all professionals give their time to ADINET to achieve its vision and mission. Another help by becoming a Life Member and Institutional Member of the ADINET.

ADINET RECOMMENDED READS: OPEN ACCESS BOOKS/JOURNALS

The Nordic Model of Digital Archiving

Bak, Greg; Rostgaard, Marianne (2024) **Library**, archive & **information** management; **Library** & **information** services...

Navigating Copyright for Libraries

Coates, Jessica; Owen, Victoria; Reilly, Susan (2022) Much of the information that **libraries** make available is protected by copyright or subject to the terms of license agreements. This reader presents an overview of current issues in copyright law reform. The chapters present salient points, overviews...

Managing a Small Theological Library

Veldheer, Kris (2024-12-12) This is a book about small theological **libraries**, for small **library** directors. The subtitle, How to Color with Broken Crayons, is from a chat among a few members of Atla's Small **Libraries** Interest Group. While discussing **library** size and resources...

Preservation of Collections in Theological Libraries

Gragg, Douglas L. (2024-05-23) Preservation in **libraries** is concerned with developing policies and practices that maximize the longevity of collections by minimizing the impact of the natural effects of time, the elements, and other threats and with mastering techniques...

Security in Computer and Information Sciences

Gelenbe, Erol; Jankovic, Marija; Kehagias, Dionysios; Marton, Anna; Vilmos, Andras (2022) This open access book constitutes the thoroughly refereed proceedings of the Second International Symposium on Computer and Information Sciences, EuroCybersec 2021, held in Nice, France, in October 2021. The 9 papers presented together with 1...

Handbook of Research on the Global View of Open Access and Scholarly Communications

Alemneh, Daniel (2022) Open access publishing. | Communication in learning and scholarship.

Information and Knowledge Organisation in Digital Humanities

Golub, Koraljka; Liu, Ying-Hsang (2022) in the role **information** and knowledge organisation plays in the Digital Humanities. It will be essential reading for those working in **library** and **information science**, computer **science** and across the humanities....

The Routledge Companion to Libraries, Archives, and the Digital Humanities

Russell, Isabel Galina; Layne-Worthey, Glen (2025), and the **library**, archival, and **information sciences** on the other-are in fact deeply intertwined, productively interdependent and mutually reinforcing. We place these on an equal footing, considering how they coexist and collaborate in equal partnership...

New Libraries in Old Buildings

Hauke, Petra; Niess, Robert; Latimer, Karen (2021) This book focuses on difficulties and opportunities in revitalization of old, derelict or abandoned buildings into a **library** and investigates the transformation of buildings which originally had a different purpose. The publication shows worldwide...

Critical ICT4D (Information and Communication Technologies for Development)

Akbari, Azadeh; Masiero, Silvia (2025) The edited volume Critical ICT4D highlights the need for a paradigm change in theorising, designing, and researching **Information** and Communication Technologies for Development (ICT4D). Engaging authors from the Majority World and entering a process...

Digital Synergy

M. M. El Emary, Ibrahiem; Brzozowska, Anna; Maśloch, Piotr (2025) management practices, illuminated by the transformative power of **Information** and Communication Technologies (ICT) and digital synergy. Facing the relentless pace of change, adaptation, innovation, and the utilization of digital synergy are no longer optional...

THE LINKS OF ADINET FORMS have been shared to become a Life Member and make your library an institutional member to make ADINET self-sustainable. If you need any help, please get in touch with us. Please take ownership of ADINET, become a member, and make intellectual contributions to the LIS profession.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP LINK:
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1 FAIpQLSdPywpWWwZbn32NlorDyb HKEzEpfGLg8uIZBrcNev9B7I6sMA/ viewform

INSTITUTIONAL MEMBERSHIP LINK:
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1 FAIpQLSd3TQVjRdmMEXx9TpBz-PsP1g2Zw13LUrKSuc6Un6nAUaQ5 cw/vie wform?usp=sf_link

E-CERTIFICATE:
ADINET has started issuing an E-certificate to a new member who takes the life membership.

ADINET DIRECTORY:
We are in the process of updating the library Directory in Gujarat. Please fill out your library details and forward the form link to your friends and colleagues so our network becomes strengthen in Gujarat.
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1 FAIpQLSetcIXLEaerpXLrfuo7IpzJca 5HSiNKR-C1jAeq73GFd5G3uA/viewform

LINK OF ADINET WEBSITE
https://www.alibnet.org/

ADINET OFFICIAL YOUTUBE CHANNEL:
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC HGDkuff1blQsd6u5kLbWMQ/videos

Thank you all for helping ADINET.

Let us Continue to Connect & Collaborate for Creating an Informed Society.