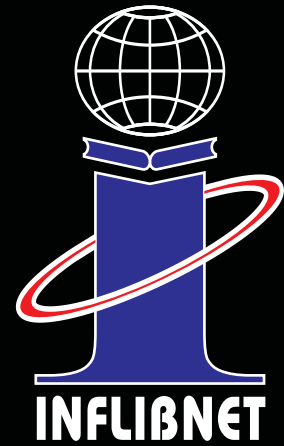


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# From the Director's Desk



The Centre is going through a high-activity phase keeping all of us busy with new projects and initiatives. The SOUL 2.0, released in January 2009, demanded a series of training programmes at the Centre as well as in other parts of the country. As per the Centre's commitment to academic community, SOUL 2.0 was offered

free-of-cost to all its existing users. As such, 321 copies of the software were given to the existing users. However, the software, with its new features and functionality, attracted several new customers and 170 copies of the software were sold to the new customers during the period under report. Seven "SOUL Installation and Operations Training Programmes" and four IRTPLAs were organized during the period under report and 188 professionals were trained on SOUL 2.0 through these training programmes. Besides, SOUL Installation and Operations Training Programme, the Centre also organized training programme on D-Space at Cochin in collaboration with CUSAT and three Users Awareness Programme on Access to E-resources at CUSAT, Cochin, Osmania University, Hyderabad and University of Mumbai, Mumbai.

The Project entitled "Indian National Library and Information Services Infrastructure for Scholarly Content (N-LIST)" that envisages to provide access to e-resources to 6000+ colleges kept the Centre busy with Herculean task of gathering baseline data from all the colleges. An Interface to enroll new colleges was designed and was hosted on the INFLIBNET's Web site at (<http://www.inflibnet.ac.in/n-list/>). 1055 colleges have already registered themselves with the N-LIST programme through online or offline questionnaire. The Centre has already conducted negotiations with publishers for subscription to various e-resources suitable for colleges. The programme is targeted to be launch by April 2010. However, trial access to e-resources for colleges would commence prior to formal launch, preferably in January / February 2010. I am pleased to report that the Centre has registered initial success in configuring Shibboleth, an open source software for federation-based authentication for off-campus users. While the INFLIBNET Centre will adopt multiple methods to authenticate users from colleges, ultimately it is planned to move all authentications through Shibboleth.

The term of the members of the INFLIBNET Council and Governing Board, by default, is for a period of three years. Several existing members completed their term during 2009 and, in place, new members were nominated by the UGC to the INFLIBNET Council and Governing Board. On behalf of staff, Governing Board and INFLIBNET Council, I would like to record my sincere appreciation for the outgoing members and welcome the new members to the

Governing Board / Council. The new members include Dr. T R Kem, Director, CEC, Prof. V G Talawar, VC, Mysore University, Prof. N Prabhu Dev, VC, Bangalore University, Dr. H A Ranganath, Director, NAAC, Bangalore and Prof. B P Sanjay, Vice-Chancellor, Central University of Tamil Nadu, Tirvarur. It is indeed a pleasure to report that Prof. S K Khanna, will continue to be the Chairman of the Governing Board of the INFLIBNET Centre for the second consecutive term. The Chairman, UGC in his communication addressed to Prof. Khanna has recorded word of appreciation for the ongoing reforms and changes and progress made by the INFLIBNET Centre under the chairmanship of Prof. Khanna.

The Centre recognizes potential of Open Source Software and as such, has adopted Open Source Software, called "Open Office" as a tool for office automation in the Centre. All our servers are configured using Open Source Software include; Linux, Apache, MySQL, PHP etc. Moreover, besides using Open Source Software, the Centre has also developed number of Open Source Software and has contributed them to open source community for further development. These software are: CCF to MARC Conversion Utility and Excel to MARC Conversion Utility.

I am pleased to report that the Expert team for the XI Plan Period, under the chairmanship of Prof. S S Kadam, who visited the Centre on 27th - 28th November 2008 had appreciated the achievements made by the Centre during the X Plan Period as well as the new initiatives the Centre has projected during XI Plan Period. Based on the report and recommendations made by the Committee, the UGC has allowed the INFLIBNET Centre to fill-in all the vacant positions. Moreover, UGC has also sanctioned the budget allocation for XI Plan Period as per the recommendations of the Committee wherein financial requirements as projected by the Centre were sanctioned in toto.

I am pleased to report that the activity of construction of Institute building has finally started. After finalization of architectural design of the Institute building, quotations were invited from reputed construction companies and work of construction of Institute building was awarded to M/s Katira Construction Company based on the lowest quotation. The work on construction of building was started after obtaining necessary approvals from agencies like Gandhinagar Urban Development Authority (GUDA), Airport Authority, Fire Authority, Forest Department, etc. The Centre is in the process of hiring services of a Management Consultancy Services to supervise construction activities and related work.

The INFLIBNET Centre looks forward to continuing support from the academic community in all our endeavours.



(Jagdish Arora)

# Training Programme on SOUL



Participants of the 74<sup>th</sup> Training Programme with Director, INFLIBNET and Staff held at L. D. Engineering College, Ahmedabad.

The second version of SOUL software, called SOUL 2.0, was released by Prof. S K Thorat, Chairman, UGC during the inaugural session of "National Seminar on Open Access to Textual and Multimedia Content: Bridging the Digital Divide", on 29<sup>th</sup> January 2009 at India Habitat Centre, New Delhi. Some of the important features and functionalities incorporated in SOUL 2.0 are: compliance to international standards like MARC 21 to facilitate data transfer and exchange, UNICODE to facilitate handling of multilingual content, SIP and NCIP for RFID compliance; FRBR to support functional requirement for bibliographic records, etc. The new version has been received very well. As a gesture of goodwill, the Centre has

offered free copy of the software to all its existing users. 321 copies of the software were given to the existing users and 170 copies were sold to the new libraries after release. The Centre has organised seven training programmes on Operation and Installation of SOUL2.0. 188 participants were trained on operations and installation of SOUL 2.0 during these training programmes. The 74<sup>th</sup> Training Programme was organised in the LD Engineering College, Ahmedabad and was especially targeted to engineering college libraries. Remaining training programmes were organised at the INFLIBNET Centre as details given below:



Participants of the 76<sup>th</sup> SOUL Training Programme with Director, INFLIBNET and Staff

TP No.	Place	Period	No. of Participants
74	LD Engineering College, Ahmedabad	April 20-24, 2009	57
75	INFLIBNET Centre, Ahmedabad	June 8-12, 2009	21
76	INFLIBNET Centre, Ahmedabad	June 22-26, 2009	20
76(A)	INFLIBNET Centre, Ahmedabad	July 6-10, 2009	27
77	INFLIBNET Centre, Ahmedabad	July 13-17, 2009	21
78	INFLIBNET Centre, Ahmedabad	July 27-31, 2009	24
79	INFLIBNET Centre, Ahmedabad	August 24-28, 2009	18



Participants of the 78<sup>th</sup> SOUL Training Programme with Director, INFLIBNET and Staff



Participants of the 79<sup>th</sup> SOUL Training Programme with Director, INFLIBNET and Staff

# INFLIBNET Regional Training Programme on Library Automation (IRTPLA)

**Ranganathan Bhavan, Delhi, August 10-14, 2009**

The INFLIBNET's SOUL Regional Service Centre, Delhi and Delhi Library Association, Delhi in collaboration with the INFLIBNET Centre, Ahmedabad organized a 5-day Training Programme on SOUL 2.0 from 10<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> August 2009 at Ranganathan Bhawan, Delhi. The Training Programme was organised in two batches for existing SOUL users of Delhi and NCR Region respectively. Seven SOUL users from Delhi and 17 SOUL users from NCR and other adjoining regions (Ghaziabad, Modinagar, Meerut, Sarurpur, Kota and Kishangarh) benefited from this training programme in the use and installation of SOUL 2.0.



Participants and Faculty of the SOUL 2.0 Training Programme, 10<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup> August 2009

Shri Yatrik Patel, Scientist C and Shri Rajesh Chandrakar, Scientist B from the Centre were resource persons for two batches of existing SOUL users alongwith Shri Dinesh Rayka and Shri Divyakant Vaghela, Project Assistants. The Training Programme for the first



Participants and Faculty of SOUL 2.0 Training Programme, Ranganathan Bhavan, Delhi, 12<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> August 2009

batch was inaugurated by Shri Yatrik Patel. The Valedictory session of the first batch and the inauguration of the second batch were combined together. Dr Jagdish Arora, Director, INFLIBNET Centre was the chief guest for the combined event. Shri Rajesh Chandrakar

delivered the valedictory address to the participants of second batch of training programme. He also distributed certificates to the participants. Prof C P Vashishth, INFLIBNET SOUL Regional Coordinator, SOUL Service Centre, Delhi was convener of both the

training programmes. The participants of both the training programmes also got an opportunity to attend the 7<sup>th</sup> Dr S R Ranganathan Memorial Lecture organized by Delhi Library Association on the theme "Web 2.0 and Library 2.0 : Innovative Technologies for Building Libraries of Tomorrow with Examples of their Applications at INFLIBNET Centre" delivered by Dr. Jagdish Arora.

The training programme received excellent feedback. Participants suggested to increase the frequency of the programme on regular basis as well as number of days to at least 10 days.

#### **IIAS, Shimla, September 7-11, 2009**

The Library of the Indian Institute of Advanced Studies (IIAS), Shimla in collaboration with the INFLIBNET Centre, Ahmedabad organized 5-days Regional Training Programme on Library Automation and Networking (IRTPLA) from 7<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> September 2009. 45 library professionals from different districts of the Himachal Pradesh participated in the programme. The participants were given "hands-on" practice on SOUL 2.0 software. Besides

library management software, the training covered lecture on library networking, library consortium, e-resources, web page designing, RFID etc.

Prof. Peter Ronald Desouza, Director, IIAS inaugurated IRTPLA. In his inaugural address, he highlighted the role and importance of libraries in providing information in various formats. He emphasized that library profession is one of the noble professions where librarians get an opportunity to deal with all kinds of latest books. He emphasized that libraries are changing and more and more resources are available in digital format. An enormous amount of information is now accessible on the web. He said ten years ago the preparation of bibliography was a daunting task for librarians. It used to take six months to prepare a subject bibliography. With the advent of computers and ICT, especially World Wide Web, and search engine like Google Scholar and Scirus has made it possible to search scholarly literature in seconds. The documents can now be searched and retrieved from anywhere at any time. The users can



Participants along with Faculty of the SOUL 2.0 Training Programme held at IIAS, Shimla.

now search books in Library of Congress Catalogue, British Library, INFLIBNET which was not possible ten years ago. He urged library professionals to adopt new technology and change their attitude while providing digital information.

Mr. Prem Chand, Librarian, IIAS and Coordinator, IRTPLA Programme welcomed the participants. He highlighted the impact

of information technology in providing library services and urged the library professionals to develop the competencies and skills in handling IT in libraries. Mr. Prem Chand also requested all the participants to make best use of training programme and automate all the colleges of the state by adopting suitable library management software.

Sh Manoj Kumar, Scientist – D, INFLIBNET highlighted various services of INFLIBNET Centre. He informed that the INFLIBNET has developed library management software called SOUL 2.0 that has largest installation base in the country. Sh. Manoj Kumar informed that the INFLIBNET will soon extend access to e-resources to 6,000 colleges in India and the benefit of the service will also be extended to the colleges in Himachal Pradesh. Sh Manoj Kumar informed that INFLIBNET has connected 157 universities in India using ERNET backbone. He informed that the INFLIBNET provides access to 5000+ peer reviewed journals to all member universities under the UGC-Infonet Digital Library Consortium. Dr. Vijay Goyal, Secretary of IIAS made presentation on the initiatives of MHRD to improve the quality of higher education in India. Sh. H. G. Hosamani, Scientist-B along with Sh. Mitesh Pandya, SOUL Technical Assistant and Sh. Vijaykumar Shrimali, Technical Assistant represented the centre.

#### **R K Talreja College, Thane, Maharashtra, September 14-18, 2009**

The R K Talreja College of Arts, Science and Commerce, Thane, Mumbai in collaboration with INFLIBNET Centre, organised 5-days Regional Training Programme on Library Automation and

Networking (IRTPLA) on SOUL 2.0 software from 14<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> September 2009. The Programme was inaugurated by Sri P P Chhugani, Chief Guest and Member of Board of Directors, R K Talreja College. Mrs. Limayae, Faculty, Department of Microbiology welcomed the participants and dignitaries. Principal Dr. (Mrs.) Lalithambal Natarajan addressed the participants. Dr. (Mrs) Medha Joshi, Librarian, Tata Memorial Hospital, Mumbai as Guest of Honour appreciated the efforts of INFLIBNET Centre for imparting such training programme to keep pace with the technological development. Ms Nalini Raja, Assistant Librarian, Coordinator of the Programme and Regional SOUL Coordinator of the Centre for Maharashtra and Goa Region extended a warm vote of thanks. Mr. Yatrik Patel, Scientist C, representing the INFLIBNET Centre, made a presentation on the aims, objectives and activities of the INFLIBNET Centre. 28 participants (6 new SOUL users, 22 existing SOUL users) from Maharashtra and Goa participated in the programme. Shri Dinesh Pradhan, Scientific & Technical Officer (LS), Ms Heli Banker, Project Officer (CS), Shri Mayur Gohel, Technical Assistant (CS) from the Centre made presentations on the various modules of the SOUL 2.0 and assisted during the "hands-on" practice session.



Participants along with Faculty of the IRTPLA Programme held at the R K Talreja College, Thane, Mumbai

# Workshop on Dspace at CUSAT, Kochi, April 22–24, 2009

Cochin University of Science and Technology (CUSAT) conducted a National Workshop on DSpace in collaboration with HP India and INFIBLINET Centre from 20<sup>th</sup> April to 24<sup>th</sup> April 2009. The Workshop concentrated on the installation of DSpace 1.5.1 on Ubuntu Server 8.10. It was the first National Workshop dedicated to DSpace on Ubuntu platform. Ubuntu server (<http://ubuntu.com>) is a simplified derivative of Debian. 25

delegates participated in the workshop from different parts of the country. The morning sessions were devoted to the theoretical aspects and "hands-on" labs were conducted in the afternoon sessions. Almost all the delegates completed the installation successfully and repeated the installation at least twice. Special lab session was conducted on 25<sup>th</sup> April 2009 for clearing the doubts.



Dr. Jagdish Arora, Director, INFIBLINET Centre, Ahmedabad Lighting the traditional Lamp while Inaugurating the Workshop on Dspace at CUSAT, Kochi

INFIBLINET is interested in organizing such collaborative workstop on Dspace in future for establishing Institutional Repositories in the Universities for ETD (Electronic Theses and Dissertation). For more details about the programme, please contact Director at [director@inflibnet.ac.in](mailto:director@inflibnet.ac.in).

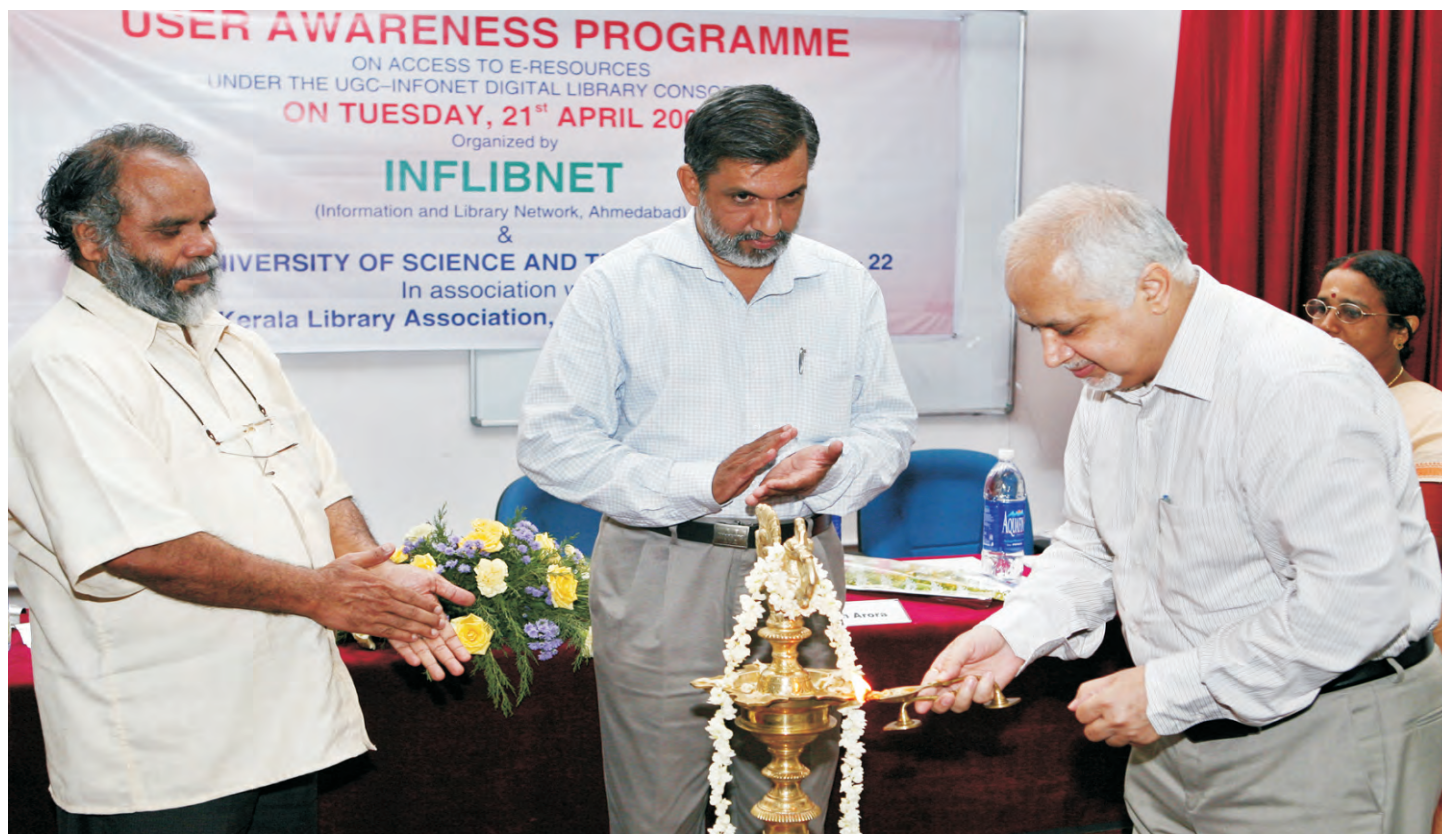


# User Awareness Programmes on Access to E-Resources, UGC-Infonet Digital Library Consortium

**CUSAT, Kochi, April 21, 2009**

The User Awareness Programme on Access to E-Resources under the UGC-Infonet Digital Library Consortium was jointly organized by the INFLIBNET Centre, Cochin University of Science and Technology (CUSAT), and the Kerala Library Association, Ernakulam Region on 21<sup>st</sup> April 2009 at CUSAT, Kochi. Mrs. C.P. Baby Valsala, University Librarian, CUSAT and Coordinator of the programme welcomed the participants and dignitaries on the dais. Dr. Jagdish Arora, Director, INFLIBNET Centre inaugurated the programme by lighting the traditional lamp. Dr. Arora shared statistics on usage of e-resources offered through the UGC-Infonet Digital Library Consortium and its impact on research output in terms of number of publications by researchers and faculty in universities in India. He

was happy that the awareness programme attracted a large number of participants from the university as well as from affiliated colleges and neighbouring institutions. Dr. N. Chandramohanakumar, Registrar, CUSAT, in his presidential address, appreciated the efforts of the INFLIBNET Centre for making the users of the University aware about e-resources from different publishers available under the consortium. Dr. V.P.N. Nampoori, the Dean of Faculty of Technology and the Director of International School of Photonics, CUSAT, while felicitating the occasion, appreciated the efforts of the University Librarian and the INFLIBNET Centre. Shri Joe Joseph, Junior Librarian of CUSAT and Secretary of KLA Ernakulam Region proposed a warm vote of thanks.



Dr. Jagdish Arora, Director, INFLIBNET Centre Lighting the traditional Lamp while Inaugurating the User Awareness Programme at CUSAT, Kochi

Dr. Jagdish Arora made a presentation on INFLIBNET Centre: its Current status and Future endeavours. Dr. M.G. Sreekumar, UNESCO Coordinator, Greenstone Support for South Asia and Librarian & Head, Center for Development of Digital Libraries (CDDL), Indian Institute of Management Kozhikode, Kerala, provided insights in to the role of e-journals & aggregators in scholarly knowledge management. Shri. K.P Sadasivan, former Librarian, Regional Research Laboratory, Thiruvananthapuram and CSIR consultant introduced various e-resources for academia from a multi-faceted perspective. Publishers of e-resources, associated with the UGC-Infonet Digital Library Consortium made presentation on their e-resources accessible to the University Library. Publishers who made presentations included Cambridge University Press, M/s Informatics (India) Ltd. (on JCCC and Annual Review) and Balani Infotech (on SIAM & ACS).

#### Osmania University, Hyderabad, June 22-23, 2009

Osmania University Library, in collaboration with INFLIBNET Centre, conducted two-days Workshop on User Awareness Programme on Access to E-Resources under the UGC-Infonet Digital Library Consortium on 22<sup>nd</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2009. The first day of the Workshop was devoted to imparting awareness of e-resources in Arts, Social Sciences & Humanities and the second day

was devoted to imparting awareness on e-resources in science discipline. Smt.V. Revathi I/c University Librarian, Osmania University Library and Coordinator of the Workshop welcomed the participants and highlighted the objectives of the Programme. Prof. Y.C. Venudhar, Registrar, Osmania University inaugurated the Workshop by lighting the traditional lamp. Prof S. Sudarshan Rao, Principal, University College of Arts & Social Sciences and Head, Department of Library & Information Sciences presided over the inaugural session. Dr. Jagdish Arora, Director and Shri Ashok Kumar Rai, Scientist D, INFLIBNET Centre were resource persons for the Workshop. 350 participants consisting of faculty members, research scholars, students, library professionals of the Osmania University and neighbouring academic and research institutions attended the Workshop.

Dr. Arora, in his presentation delivered a talk on "The INFLIBNET Centre: its Current Status and Future Endeavours". The two days Workshop was divided in to four different sessions. These sessions were chaired by Dr. Koteswara Rao, University Librarian, University of Hyderabad, Shri ABSV Prasada Rao, Librarian, National Remote Sensing Centre, Hyderabad, Shri. P. Diwakar, Head, Library services, CCMB, Hyderabad and Dr. Veeranjanyulu, Librarian Acharya N.G. Ranga Agricultural University (ANGRAU), Hyderabad, respectively. Representatives of the publishers made presentations



Dignitaries on the Dais during the User Awareness Programme at Osmania University. Dr. Jagdish Arora, Director and Sh. Ashok Kumar Rai, Scientist D of the Centre, represented INFLIBNET Centre, are also seen.

on e-resources accessible to the Osmania University Library. Presentations were made by Balani InfoTech (Project Muse, ACS & SIAM), M/s Informatics (India) Ltd (JCCC / AR), Cambridge University Press, Springer (India) Private Limited, Oxford University Press, Blackwell-Wiley, Taylor and Francis, SciFinder Scholar, Springer (India) and Oxford University Press.

#### **University of Mumbai, Mumbai, September 22-23, 2009**

The University Library and Department of Library & Information Science, University of Mumbai, in collaboration with the INFLIBNET Centre, Ahmedabad organized two-days "User Awareness Programme on Access to E-Resources under UGC-INFONET Digital Library Consortium" on 22<sup>nd</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2009 at Professor D.N. Marshall Auditorium, Jawaharlal Nehru Library, Vidyanagari Campus, University of Mumbai, Mumbai.

Dr. Vijay Khole, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor inaugurated the programme by lighting the traditional lamp. Dr. Khole in his inaugural address appreciated INFLIBNET Centre for sponsoring this need-based programme, which would make the faculty, research scholars and students of the University aware of several e-resources from different publishers on a single platform. Dr. Arun D. Sawant, Hon'ble Pro-Vice-Chancellor pointed out that the university could save funds from subscription of journals due to the facility of access to e-resources extended by INFLIBNET free of charge. Dr. V.N. Magare, Director, BCUD emphasized that this

facility has enhanced the inner strength of the Library as a learning resource centre in the University environment. Prof. Vijaya Rajhansa, University Librarian and Head, Department of Library & Information Science introduced benefits of the UGC-INFONET Digital Library Consortium.

Dr. P.A. Gokhale, Reader, Department of Library & Information Science made presentation on 'Exploring e-resources: the Role of Aggregators'. Mr. Yatrik Patel, Scientist-C, INFLIBNET Centre further explained the functionality and services of consortium dwelling upon the need to enhance the usage of e-resources by the academic community. Publisher's representatives from Thompson Press (for ISI and Web of Science), GIST (for Wiley-Blackwell and Taylor and Francis), Book Marketing Services (for IOP and RSC), Cambridge University Press, Globe (for AIP/APS, Math SciNet), Balani Infotech (for ACS, SIAM, Project Muse), Elsevier (for Cell Press and Science Direct) and Springer Links made presentations on their e-resources available to the University.

The concluding session of the programme was chaired by Dr. (Mrs.) Savitsmita B. Chawan, Reader, Department of Geography in the University. The programme was attended by 150 participants including students, research scholars and faculty members of the University. The programme ended with a warm vote of thanks by Prof. (Mrs.) Vijaya Rajhansa, Coordinator of the programme.

## Welcome to the New Members of INFLIBNET Council and Governing Board

### **Dr. T R Kem, Director, CEC, New Delhi, Member, INFLIBNET Council**



Dr. T R Kem, Director, Consortium for Educational Communication (CEC), New Delhi was nominated as a Member of the Governing Council (GC) for a period of three years w.e.f.19<sup>th</sup> February 2009. Dr. Kem holds B.Sc., M.Sc. in Entomology, Ph.D., and PG Diploma in Personnel Management from Delhi University.

He did his Post Doctoral Research in Pests Management from Brisbane, Australia. Dr. Kem has 34 years of wide experience of teaching, research and educational administration in institutions in India and abroad. Prior to his present assignment as Director, CEC, Dr. Kem worked in various important positions at different educational and research institutions in India such as Secretary, UGC; Adviser, AICTE; Registrar, IGNOU; Senior Scientist, Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi; and Entomologist, Directorate of Plant Protection & Storage.

Dr. Kem has published 17 papers on various themes of Entomology

and 7 papers on Distance Learning and Open Universities. He has written two books on "Information Technology - Re-engineering of Distance Education" (1997) and "Higher Education Systems in India" (in 3 volumes - 2006). Dr. Kem has visited more than 20 countries for participating in various seminars, workshops and training programmes. He was nominated as Chairman and

Members of the various Committees of Govt. of India and Educational Institutions. Dr. Kem is recipient of Lifetime Achievement Award in the area of Higher Education by International Association of Educators for World Peace, USA in 2007. The Director and INFLIBNET Staff welcomes him as a Member of the Governing Council of the INFLIBNET Centre.

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### **Prof. V G Talawar, Vice Chancellor, Mysore University, Member, INFLIBNET Council**



Prof. V G Talawar, newly appointed first Vice Chancellor from the Library and Information Science background of the Mysore University, is an eminent Professor and a son of a farmer of Belgaum district of Karnataka State. Born on 1<sup>st</sup> June 1950, he is a man of different personalities, humble and down to earth. The UGC has

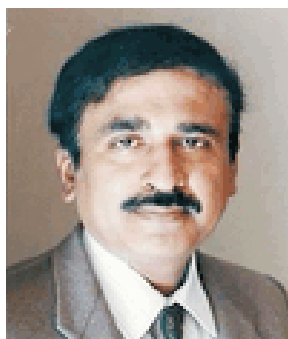
nominated Prof. V G Talawar as a Member of the Governing Board for a period of three years w.e.f. 19<sup>th</sup> February 2009. He pursued his higher education in Master of Library and Information Science from the Bangalore University with Gold Medal in 1978. Prof. Talawar started his career from the Bharat Electronics Ltd, Bangalore (now Bengaluru) and served there for more than 10 years. He also served at Mangalore University for more than 6

years. Prof. Talawar is serving in the University of Mysore since last 17 years on different capacities. Prof. Talawar served the University as a Registrar for more than 4 years and as Director, Academic Staff College for more than 4 years. Prof. Talawar has also visited USA and UK on professional assignments.

Prof. Talawar has published 12 books, 46 monographs and 54 articles. The Legacy of Learning (2002) is a comprehensive and significant reference book on the history of development of the University of Mysore with a vision for its future. Prof. Talawar has successfully guided 15 research scholars till date. Prof. Talawar is a Life Member of number of library associations and he is a Founder President of ASIST Bangalore. He has been recognised and honoured by the Govt. of Karnataka for his meritorious services in the field of higher education, especially in the area of library and information science. The Director and INFLIBNET staff welcomes him as a Member of the Governing Council of the INFLIBNET Centre.

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### **Prof. N Pradhu Dev, Vice Chancellor, Bangalore University, Member, Governing Board**



Dr. N Pradhu Dev, a Distinguished Professor and Vice Chancellor of Bangalore University, Bengaluru was nominated as a Member of the Governing Board of the INFLIBNET Centre, Ahmedabad for a period of three years w.e.f. 19<sup>th</sup> May 2009. Prof. Dev holds Post Graduation in General Surgery and Post Doctoral in Cardiovascular & Thoracic Surgery. He

has served in various Hospitals and Institutes on different positions. Prof. Dev was Prof. & HOD of CT Surgery, Medical Superintendent and Director at Jayadeva Institute of Cardiology, Bengaluru. Besides, Prof. Dev has also served at Post Graduate Education & Research Institute (Chandigarh), Department of Cardiology, Victoria Hospital, Bengaluru, and Bowring & Lady Curzon Hospital, Bangalore Medical College, Bengaluru. Prof. Dev has also worked in Hospitals and regular institutions outside India including London, San Francisco, USA and Iowa State, USA. He is a Fellow of Indian College of Cardiology and Association of Cardiovascular - Thoracic Surgeons of India.

Prof. Dev has presented number of papers in Asian Congress on Thoracic and Cardiovascular Surgery. He has served as Presidents, Vice Presidents, and Secretary of different professional bodies such

as Indian College of Cardiology, Indian Association of Cardiovascular –Thoracic Surgeons, CSI Bangalore Chapter, etc. Prof. Prabhu Dev is recipient of Rajyotsava Award (1996) and Karnataka Jyoti Award (1996). Prof. Dev is a unique professional of Medical Science

having performed more than 10,000 open heart surgery and first Doctor to perform successful open heart surgery on a pregnant woman. The Director and INFLIBNET staff welcomes him as a Member of the Governing Board of the INFLIBNET Centre.

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### **Dr. D P Kothari, Vice Chancellor, VIT University, Member, Governing Board**



Dr. Dwarkadas Pralhaddas Kothari, Vice Chancellor, VIT University, Vellore, Tamil Nadu is an eminent Electrical Engineer nominated as a Member of the Governing Board of the INFLIBNET Centre, Ahmedabad for a period of three years w.e.f. 8<sup>th</sup> June 2009. Dr. Kothari holds Bachelor Degree in Electrical Engineering,

Master Degree in Power Engineering and Ph.D. from Birla Institute of Technology, Pilani in the years 1967, 1969 and 1975 respectively. Dr. Kothari has worked at different institutes in various capacities such as Director Incharge, Deputy Director (Administration), Professor and Head, Centre for Energy Studies, Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi and Principal, Visvesvaraya Regional College of Engineering, Nagpur. Dr. Kothari has a total of 39 years of experience to his credit on different administrative and

teaching positions. His work in the area of hydro-thermal scheduling, economic-emission dispatch energy system planning and management & control are note worthy and well recognized

Dr. Kothari has authored / edited 20 books and published / presented around 600 research papers in national and international journals and conferences. He has guided 28 Ph.D. and 59 M.Tech scholars. He has visited 32 countries and worked on 28 sponsored research projects / industrial consultancies.

In recognition of his achievements, Dr. Kothari has been bestowed with Lifetime Achievement Khosla National Award from IIT Roorkee (2005), UP Government National Award for outstanding work done in specified area of Engineering & Technology (2001-02), Eminent Engineering Personality by IE (India) at Nagpur (2001), Fellow, National Academic of Engineering and National Academy of Sciences and Senior Member, IEEE. The Director and INFLIBNET staff welcomes him as a Member of the Governing Board of the INFLIBNET Centre.

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### **Dr. S Majumdar, University Librarian, Delhi University, Member, Governing Board**



Dr. S Majumdar, University Librarian, Delhi University has been nominated as a Member of the Governing Board, INFLIBNET Centre for a period of three years w.e.f. 8<sup>th</sup> June 2009. Dr. Majumdar did his M.A. in Sociology from Lucknow University and M.Lib.I.Sc. from Delhi University. He was awarded Doctorate from Jiwaji

University, Gwalior in 2002.

Dr. Majumdar was the Director of Central Secretariat Library, Ministry of Tourism and Culture on deputation for 3 years from 2002 to 2005. He served as Deputy Librarian at Indian Institute of Public Administration (IIPA), New Delhi for 3 years from 1991 to

2002. Dr. Majumdar was Professional Assistant for 17 years at Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU), New Delhi since 1973. He has contributed alot in the area of library computerisation of JNU and IIPA when initiatives on computerisation of most of the universities were in the nascent stage. He developed an online bibliographic database of Central Secretariat Library collection which has documents in 14 Indian languages. He was instrumental in digitizing 40 years of Post-independent Govt. of India Gazettes including the Post-independent Commission and Committee Reports. In Delhi University Library System, Dr. Majumdar has initiated the digitization of 23,000 old, out of copyright books of the library. He has attended IFLA conferences at Glasgow and Berlin during 2003 and 2004. Dr. Majumdar has also contributed large number of articles in different peer-reviewed journals, seminar and workshop proceedings. The Director and INFLIBNET Staff welcomes him as a Member of the Governing Board of the INFLIBNET Centre.

# Visitors at INFLIBNET Centre

The following dignitaries visited the INFLIBNET Centre during this period:

- 1) Ms. Nobuko Miyairi, Research Solution Consultant, Asia Pacific, Thomson Reuters
- 2) Dr. T R Kem, Director, CEC, New Delhi
- 3) Dr. (Mrs) Jayajkrishnan, Librarian, CEC, New Delhi



Ms. Nobuko Miyairi, Research Solution Consultant, Asia Pacific, Thomson Reuters answering the questions of the Technical Staff in the Lecture Hall

Apart from various dignitaries and professionals, students from Library and Information science also visit INFLIBNET Centre. Various departments/schools of Library and Information sciences are encouraged to bring their students to the centre on study tour with prior permission from the Director. The Centre has hostel facility near to the campus having 22 occupancies for the students on nominal charges.

# Open Source Software from INFLIBNET Centre

The INFLIBNET Centre contributed the following open source software for the benefit of LIS community. These software are available at <http://sourceforge.net/>.

## CCF to MARC21 Conversion Utility

The Software R&D Group of the Centre has developed a utility for converting the Common Communication Format (CCF) based bibliographic records into MARC21 based bibliographic records. This utility was being used by the Centre for long time for its day-to-day activities as part of conversion of bibliographic records received from different universities under the collaborative movement started by the INFLIBNET Centre for developing the union databases of various library resources available in universities across the country. The utility can be used for getting MARC21 based ISO2709 records from the CCF based ISO2709 bibliographic records. For better conversion in MARC21 format, the utility needs CCF records in ISO2709 format with tags and conventions according to the CCF format. The utility can be downloaded from [www.inflibnet.ac.in/download](http://www.inflibnet.ac.in/download). The executable file can also be downloaded from <http://sourceforge.net/projects/ccftomarconver/> and source code can be downloaded from the <http://ccftomarconver.sourceforge.net>.

## Excel to MARCXML Conversion Utility

Shri Ankur Parikh, working in the Accounts Unit of the Centre, has developed a tool for converting Excel data in to MARCXML with help from the Software R&D Group. The Centre receives bibliographic records of the library resources from universities in different file formats for its Union Catalogue including Excel format. The staff responsible for processing bibliographic records

from university had to go through the number of steps that was time consuming and less accurate for converting the Excel data into desired format. The newly developed utility helps in by-passing these steps and converts data in to MARCXML accurately and with ease. Once the data is converted in MARCXML, the bibliographic records can easily be loaded into the SOUL2.0 without any data loss. While using this conversion tool, please observe the followings:

- ▶ single record can have 30 data elements including fields and subfields with repeatable values for fields and subfields.
- ▶ pre-defined leader for books, serials and theses are incorporated.
- ▶ converted records will have pre-defined fixed fields of MARC 21 such as 001, 002, 003, 006, 007, and 008.
- ▶ rendering of data fields must be according to the AACR2 convention or definition of MARC21 tags.
- ▶ conversion of records can be done for chosen numbers instead of complete collection (number of rows in Excel file).
- ▶ chosen number of data fields and subfields (number of columns in Excel file) can be selected for converting the records instead of having all 30 data elements.
- ▶ The conversion tool is available for download at <http://excel2marcxml.sourceforge.net/>.

The screenshot shows the INFLIBNET Centre Blog website. The header includes the site name "INFLIBNET Centre Blog" with the tagline "A Gateway to India's Academic and Research Community", a search bar, and an RSS Subscribe button. The main content area features a section titled "Archive for the Open Source Category" with two entries: "Excel to MARCXML Conversion Utility - July 28th, 2009" and "CCF to MARC 21 Converter - April 9th, 2009". To the right, there is an "Author" section with the INFLIBNET logo and a bio for Rajesh Chandrakar: "Hi! I'm Rajesh Chandrakar and this is INFLIBNET's blog."

## XI Plan Period Allocation to the INFLIBNET Centre

The XI Plan Period Projections made by the INFLIBNET Centre were assessed by a team consisting of six expert members under the Chairmanship of Prof. S. S. Kadam during November 27 and 28, 2008. The Expert Team reviewed the achievements of the Centre during X Plan Period and assessed the XI Plan Period Projections based on the report submitted to the UGC and presentations made by the INFLIBNET Scientists and Director.

The Committee, in their report submitted to the UGC, has appreciated the achievements made by the Centre during X Plan Period as well as new initiatives that the Centre has projected for XI Plan Period. Based on the report and the recommendations made by the Committee, the UGC has allowed the INFLIBNET Centre to fill-in all the positions that are lying vacant in the Centre for past

several years. Moreover, UGC has also approved four new technical positions and four project positions based on the recommendations of the Committee. The UGC has also sanctioned the budget allocation for the XI Plan Period as per the recommendation of the Committee wherein the financial requirement for the existing projects as well as for the new initiatives have been sanctioned in toto. The new initiatives that are projected by the Centre during XI Plan Period include i) Electronic Submission of Theses and Dissertations in Universities; ii) Open Journal Hosting Services at the INFLIBNET Centre; iii) Setting-up of Open Source Software R&D facilities; iv) Setting-up of Open Access Institution Repositories; v) Access Management Technologies; and vi) Multi-lingual Support for bibliographic databases: SOUL Software and other Databases.

## IFLA FRBR Review Group Member

Sh. Rajesh Chandrakar, Scientist B of the Centre contested for the IFLA FRBR Review Group Member through the nomination to the Group. Sh. Chandrakar has been elected as the Review Group Member for a period of four years from 2009 to 2013. Sh. Chandrakar has been serving in this Centre for last 13 years. His core

area of specialization is Cataloguing, Bibliographic Formats, Information Standards, Electronic Publishing, Metadata and Library Automation. The INFLIBNET Centre congratulates Sh. Chandrakar for this achievement.

## Independence Day Celebrated



**Sh. Manoj Kumar K, Scientist D (CS) speaking on the occasion of Independence Day Celebration**

The INFLIBNET family celebrated the 63<sup>rd</sup> Independent Day of the Country in its campus. Sh. Manoj Kumar K, Scientist D (CS) of the Centre hoisted the national flag and addressed the gathering comprising of the staff and their family members.



# INFLIBNET Celebrated Garba

The INFLIBNET Centre celebrated Navratri Garba festival on its campus on 24<sup>th</sup> September 2009. The INFLIBNET staff and their families alongwith Director and his family joined the celebration. The function began with pooja of Goddess Durga and every one

present in the campus participated in the pooja and Garba. Prizes were distributed to children and staff members for best Garba, best traditional dress, etc. Dinner was served at the end of function.



Director and his family with INFLIBNET Staff alongwith their families performing pooja during Navratri Garba celebration.

Photographs of important events organised at INFLIBNET centre alongwith the photographs of Garba organised every year at the centre's Campus are available for view at Video Galary on YouTube Channel at <http://www.youtube.com/inflibnet>.



# Topics on Cutting-Edge Technology in LIS

The article on "Copy Cataloguing in India: a Viewpoint" is a part of the series of Topics on Cutting-Edge Technology in LIS. The author of this article Sh. Rajesh Chandrakar, Scientist B and Dr. Jagdish Arora, Director, INFLIBNET Centre explain about the copy cataloguing facility especially in the online environment for the Indian librarian. Sh. Chandrakar and Dr. Arora can be contacted at [rajesh@inflibnet.ac.in](mailto:rajesh@inflibnet.ac.in) and [director@inflibnet.ac.in](mailto:director@inflibnet.ac.in), respectively.

The libraries in India, especially the corporate, research and academic libraries, are currently moving towards digitization of their library collections after automating the library functions in first stage. These libraries are now working for improving the library services by implementing ICT and ICT based Web 2.0 and Library 2.0 services. The library automation, which was discussed during 1990s, is hardly a topic of discussion for many professionals as they have moved on with the pace of technology to more recent topics such as digitization, digital libraries, Library 2.0, IRs, etc.

The higher education system of India consists of more than 412 universities and 20,000 colleges across the countries [1]. From our experiences of visiting various universities and colleges across the country, it is observed that only 35% of the universities and colleges located in the urban cities, seem to have completed the computerization of their libraries. As per our experiences, many libraries, especially the college and public libraries, are yet to computerise their day-to-day functions due to lack of budget, infrastructure, and skilled manpower. Library automation and retrospective conversion of library collections, therefore, remain important activities to be discussed and deliberated upon. We opined that the retrospective conversion is one of the major areas that should be discussed in greater length with an aim to help libraries to create / download quality bibliographic records for their library automation.

The retrospective conversion is a process of converting the existing library catalogue in to the machine readable format. The process of retrospective conversion is challenging, time consuming and is a very expensive task for the library. Every library that automates its catalogue has to go through the process of retrospective conversion of library collection. There are two ways to do the retrospective conversion of library catalogues. The retrospective conversion can be done either by referring to the physical book or

using the print catalogue of the book, but, either method is time-consuming, expensive and labour-intensive. The copy cataloguing of bibliographic records from other sources could be better option for retrospective conversion.

The authors in this article discuss retrospective conversion and explain the possibility of an inexpensive way of doing retrospective conversion of the library catalogues by using the copy cataloguing functionalities offered by various agencies viz. Library of Congress, British Library and IndCat of INFLIBNET Centre.

## What is Copy Cataloguing?

Copy Cataloguing is a process of cataloguing items using pre-catalogued machine readable records. It involves finding a machine-readable record (MARC) from other libraries or libraries in a network that matches the item in hand. The philosophy of copy cataloguing is that one need not catalogue an item which has already been catalogued by someone, especially if it could be downloaded over the Internet.[2] The process of cataloguing is costly. Copy cataloguing provides the solution to save the cost of cataloguing and time of library staff. What cataloguers are looking for is the most appropriate record available from other online catalogue by using an exhaustive search process, while working independently. The goal is to locate an appropriate bibliographic record and download it in the local LMS (Library Management Software). Traditionally, cataloguers in developed countries have been copying catalogue records that member libraries have contributed to bibliographic utilities over network such as OCLC. Libraries in India, however, did not have any such options till now. However, the INFLIBNET, has recently, made it possible through its union catalogue named IndCat.

## The Process of Copy Cataloguing

The procedures involved in copy cataloguing are as follows:

- ▶ Search for the bibliographic record in bibliographic databases that allows copy cataloguing
- ▶ If record is available in database, download the record in ISO 2709 format

- ▶ Add local information such as class number, book number, bar code and local notes.
- ▶ Validate record.
- ▶ Save the record in the database of your LMS software.

### Sources for Copy Cataloguing

There are a number of sources for copy cataloguing. The libraries in developed countries are doing copy cataloguing for years by using copy cataloguing services offered by bibliographic utilities over networks such as OCLC, British Library, and Publisher's databases. Libraries in the UK, mostly use the COPAC (CURL OPAC- catalogue of largest research university libraries in UK) and the British Library databases. Libraries in the US use the Library of Congress Catalogue and OCLC WorldCat for retrospective conversion of their collection. In developed countries, "ready catalogue" provided by the publishers at the time of selling the books are used for cataloguing new collections of the libraries (Mason, 2009). Additionally, most of the integrated LMS software provides copy cataloguing facility. On other hand, Indian libraries may exceptionally use ready catalogue of publishers; mostly they may not be aware of the service as none of the Indian publishers provide ready catalogue with few exceptions of publishers like DK Agencies, New Delhi, who provides MARC records of their publications. Considering the facts mentioned above, it is important for the cataloguers to know about copy cataloguing services of various agencies. Indian libraries may use following sources for copy cataloguing:

- 1) INFLIBNET's IndCat
- 2) Online Catalogue of Library of Congress
- 3) British Library's Integrated Catalogue
- 4) Ready Catalogue by Publisher
- 5) WorldCat of OCLC

#### 1. IndCat : Online Union Catalogue of Indian Universities

IndCat is an online union catalogue of Indian universities. Member universities of the INFLIBNET Centre contribute the bibliographic records of their library collections to the Centre. The Centre does quality checking of the records and if found suitable for IndCat, makes available online through IndCat not only for Indian academic community but also for everyone. The online catalogue of Indian universities contains over 10 million bibliographic records of books from 112 universities across the country. In the Indian higher education system, we do know that most of the disciplines being taught are somewhat common in the universities and colleges. The courses and the disciplines taught in the university and colleges influence the library collection, therefore, most of the libraries do have common collections on various subjects. As such, libraries

attempting copy cataloguing afresh, are likely to find records for their books in IndCat. According to the policy of the INFLIBNET Centre, the member library of the Centre submits bibliographic records quarterly to the Centre, which are available online on IndCat platform. The IndCat bibliographic records are available to everyone free-of-cost on <http://indcat.inflibnet.ac.in>. By using the copy cataloguing feature of the IndCat, the library can avoid creating catalogue records afresh at the time of cataloguing their library collections.

#### 2. Catalogue of Library of Congress

The Library of Congress is a national library of America located in the Washington, DC. It has regional branches in almost all countries across the globe. The bibliographic records created in the branch libraries at regional level are submitted to the online catalogue of the Library of Congress at head office in the Washington. India also has a branch library of US Library of Congress at American Center, New Delhi. The important Indian books are being catalogued by this regional office and submitted to the Library of Congress in Washington, DC. The bibliographic records are accessible to anyone through the website <http://catalog.loc.gov/>. The online catalogue of the Library of Congress has facilities to search and download the records in MARC21 based ISO 2709 format.

#### 3. British Library's Integrated Catalogue

The British Library is the national library of the UK and has three branches – St. Pancras, Colindale and Boston Spa in UK. The Integrated Catalogue of the British Library has more than 13 million items in its collection. The libraries can download any MARC records from the Integrated Catalogue, for free, one-by-one, provided the records represent their actual library holdings, from the website <http://catalogue.bl.uk>. Instruction for downloading the record is provided in help menu under "Downloading MARC records" heading.

#### 4. Ready Catalogue by Publisher

Most publishers and booksellers offer ready catalogue of their publications in MARC format. The publishers and booksellers provide MARC records of the books, at the time of sale to the library. For example, D.K.Agencies (P) Ltd. (<http://www.dkagencies.com/>) based in New Delhi is one of the prominent and reliable suppliers of South Asian books who has a ready catalogue of all their books in MARC21 format. It would be appropriate for Indian librarians to ask the local suppliers to supply ready catalogue records of the books in MARC format. That will help librarians save time and money. Most importantly, they may get quality records of their library collection. It may also provide relief for the manpower shortage in the library to some extent.

## 5. WorldCat from OCLC

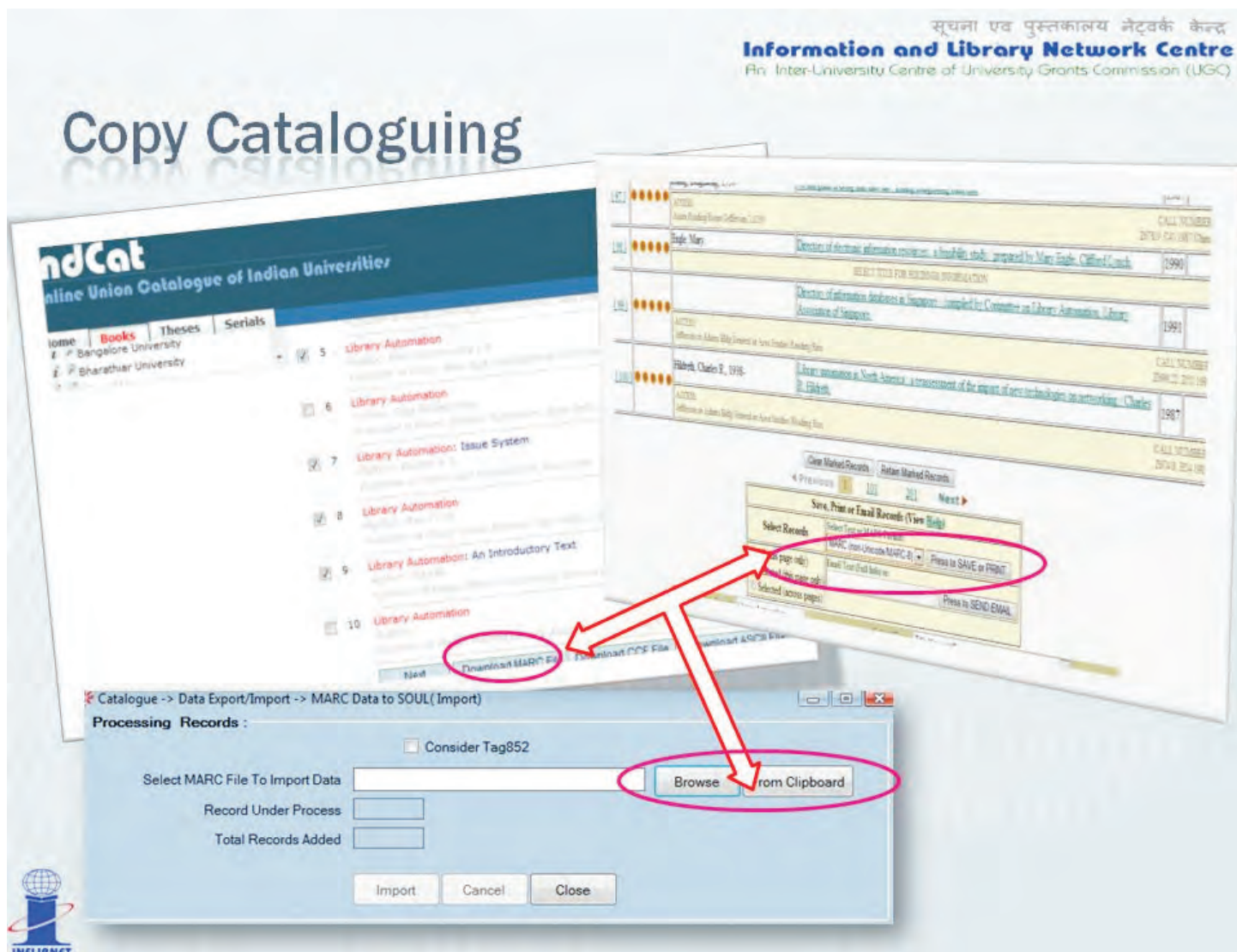
WorldCat from OCLC (Online Computer Library Center) is a global online catalogue of library collections. Apart from the libraries in US, libraries from various countries are also member of OCLC. WorldCat is a shared catalogue of member libraries of OCLC and the copy cataloguing facility of the database is accessible to the member libraries through the connection software of OCLC at <http://www.worldcat.org/> website. Thus, the copy cataloguing facility of this database merely benefits to its member libraries. It is essential to become a member of the OCLC for getting benefits of this service.

### Feature of Copy Cataloguing in SOUL 2.0

SOUL (Software for University Libraries) is an integrated library management software developed by INFLIBNET Centre,

Ahmedabad.[3] SOUL 2.0, with advanced features was recently launched at India Habitat Centre, New Delhi on 29<sup>th</sup> January 2009 by Prof. Sukhadev Thorat, Chairman, University Grants Commission, New Delhi (Chandrakar, 2009). The software has a number of new features added to it and copy cataloguing is one of them. The key features of SOUL 2.0 are given in INFLIBNET Newsletter Vol. 15, No.3 (July to September 2008) available at <http://www.inflibnet.ac.in/publication/newsletter>.

The MARC21 based bibliographic records available in the online databases can be used in SOUL 2.0 software through copy cataloguing feature. SOUL 2.0 uses MARC21 based ISO 2709 format, a globally accepted standard for copy cataloguing. The copy cataloguing feature of SOUL 2.0 has been tested successfully by using bibliographic records from the Library of Congress, WorldCat, British Library and IndCat.



Picture shows bibliographic records downloaded from Library of Congress and IndCat database into SOUL 2.0 software

## Conclusion

Keeping in mind the manpower and budget cuts in the libraries and increasing demands of ICT based library services, it is left to the librarians to exploit the technology for the betterment of the library and its users. We conclude by suggesting that for the retrospective conversion of the library catalogues, Indian libraries should use the copy cataloguing facility available with whatever software they are using for automating the library. The authors would also like to suggest that librarians should request MARC records from the publishers for new books purchased by the library. This should be compulsorily implemented by libraries, so that publishers in India think seriously in this area and start providing MARC records with the supply of books.

Further, keeping in mind the future implementation of the RFID system in the library, librarians in India should also ask publishers to supply books with RFID tags. This step will help them to a greater extent when the RFID system in the library will be implemented. The Book Industry Communication (BIC is an independent organisation set up and sponsored by the Publishers Association, Booksellers Association, the Chartered Institute of Library and Information Professionals and the British Library to promote supply chain efficiency in all sectors of the book world through e-commerce and the application of standard processes and procedures) in the UK has already recommended publishers and subscription agents to supply books with RFID tags to libraries.

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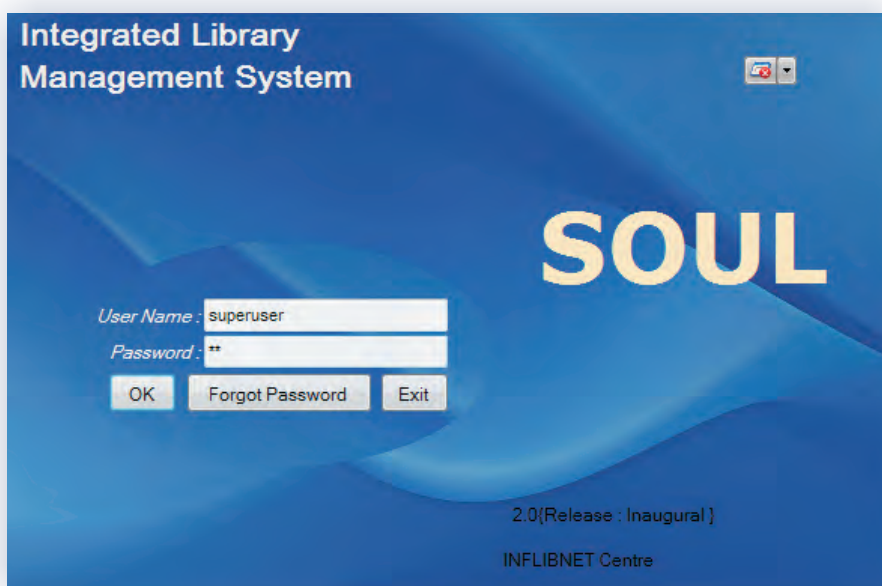
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- IndCat – <http://indcat.inflibnet.ac.in>
- Library of Congress Catalogue – <http://catalog.loc.gov>
- OCLC – <http://www.oclc.org>
- WorldCat – <http://www.worldcat.org>

The INFLIBNET centre invites paper from the professionals on different library technologies pertaining to the ICT (information and communication technology) for publishing in the "Topics on Cutting-Edge Technology in LIS" column of the INFLIBNET Newsletter. Interested professionals may submit their proposal of paper to either [director@inflibnet.ac.in](mailto:director@inflibnet.ac.in) or [rajesh@inflibnet.ac.in](mailto:rajesh@inflibnet.ac.in)



# Staff News

## Dr. Jagdish Arora

Dr. Jagdish Arora was honoured with "Master Motilal Sanghi Shresth Pustkalaya Sammaan" for the year 2009. He delivered the 7<sup>th</sup> S. R. Ranganathan Memorial Lecture on 12<sup>th</sup> August 2009 organised by the Delhi Library Association at Ranganathan Bhavan, Delhi. He was member of the following committees / Boards:

- ▶ Expert Review Committee of the UGC to Review the Functioning of Tilak Maharashtra Vidyapeeth, Pune as Deemed University, 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> October, 2009.
- ▶ National Advisory Committee, P K Kelkar Library, Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur (2009 - )
- ▶ Library Review Committee, University of Mysore, Mysore. (2009 - )
- ▶ Course Development Committee for M.Phil. Programme in Library and Information Science, Vardhaman Mahaveer Open University, Kota, Rajasthan
- ▶ Board of Studies (BOS), Associateship in Information Science (AIS), National Institute of Science Communication and Information Resources (NISCAIR), New Delhi (2009 – 2011)
- ▶ Subcommittee on Preservation Metadata, Working Group on National Digital Preservation Programme (NDPP), Ministry of Communications and Information Technology, New Delhi
- ▶ Editorial Advisory Board, Journal of Information Science and Technology, Department of Library and Information Science, University of Kerala

- ▶ Editorial Advisor, Interlending & Document Supply
- ▶ Editorial Board, Digital Libraries: An International Journal, TERI, New Delhi

## Sh. Rajesh Chandrakar

Sh. Rajesh Chandrakar, Scientist B of the Centre attended the Meeting of the MSD 5 of the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS), New Delhi along with the Meetings of the Panels, MSD5/P-6 (Panel on Review of the Indian Standards Published by MSD 5) and P-10 (Panel on the Content Analysis and Content Development) as a Member and MSD5/P-7 (Panel on Library Related Standards), P-11 (Panel for Scrutinizing the Standards prepared by the ISO/TC 46, ISO/TC 154 and ISO/TC 171 for Ascertaining their need and suitability for adoption as Indian Standards) and MSD5/P-12 (Panel for Seminar on Use of Indian Standards on Documentation and Information Practices) as an Invitee on 15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> September 2009. Sh. Chandrakar has been nominated for following committees:

- ▶ Member for the Panel MSD5/P-12 (Panel for Seminar on Use of Indian Standards on Documentation and Information Practices)
- ▶ MSD5/P-8 (Panel for Preparing Revised Version of IS 796: 1966- Glossary of Cataloguing Terms)
- ▶ Inclusion in the 2010 edition of the Marquis's Who is Who in the World.

## Sh. Shashikant Vanikar

Sh. Shashikant Vanikar, Office Assistant II was on lien to the Gandhi Labour Institute, Ahmedabad for 2 years, has joined INFLIBNET Centre on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2009 after completion of the lien period. The INFLIBNET Centre welcomes him to the Centre.

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