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## *From Director's Desk*

*Dear Friends,*

*INFLIBNET is keen to provide a variety of services to the academic community of the country. COPSABS is one such new service introduced to provide information in the field of Social and Behavioural sciences. Hope it will be useful.*

*The six university libraries, identified as Document Delivery Centres of INFLIBNET have already created databases of current serials subscribed by them in 2000. This database is now available on our web site for access.*

*INFLIBNET Centre is subscribing to a number of CD ROM databases on various subjects. You can make good use of these databases. Based on requests, INFLIBNET will conduct searches on them and send results to you.*

*As a sequel to a meeting held at MHRD in June, 2000, a sub-group was set up to advise INFLIBNET on modernizing it and improving its service. Many useful suggestions given by the sub-group will be implemented by the Centre.*

*Pramod Kumar  
Director*

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## **INFLIBNET Review Committee Meeting**

A Sub-group constituted by the Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD) for preparing and implementing a master plan for modernising the INFLIBNET and developing internet connectivity in the libraries, under the chairmanship of Dr. N Vijayaditya, DG, NIC, held its first meeting on 14th September, 2000 at Ahmedabad. During the meeting INFLIBNET demonstrated its entire activities to the committee members. Databases were accessed online. SOUL and other contents of INFLIBNET web site were shown. The committee, while appreciating the efforts made by INFLIBNET in creation of databases, made certain observations and gave useful suggestions for improving the databases.

Committee emphasised the need for in depth training to the library staff in creation of quality databases. They also discussed in length about the need to establish Local Area Networks in universities, database access, up-gradation of SOUL, shared cataloguing and funding to universities and linking it with the performance and quality of records supplied to INFLIBNET. The sub-group recommended use of MARC 21 format for data entry in academic libraries.

## **COPSABS Service**

INFLIBNET is always looking for providing new services and resources to its member institutions. Recently INFLIBNET Centre has initiated yet another service called COPSABS (Contents of Periodicals in Social and Behavioral Science) covering major disciplines of Social and Behavioral Sciences. The service will be offered to academic and research community in the country. It is a

collective effort with selected universities in the country where information in the field of social science is in great demand. Service will benefit the social scientists in their research work.

Under this service table of content of articles published in Social Science journals will be delivered to the universities. This service is to be given from the CCOD, brought out by ISI (Institute of Scientific Information, Philadelphia). It covers more than 1590 core journals in the field of Social and Behavioral Science. INFLIBNET is subscribing to this database from 1998.

University/College, who wishes to avail this service, can select up to 25 or 40 journal titles. The content pages of these selected journals will be mailed to the respective universities on a monthly basis either on paper or floppy diskette. Major disciplines covered under the database are listed below.

- Communication
- Economics
- Education
- Geography and Environment
- Law
- Library and Information Science
- Management
- Political Science and Public Administration
- Psychiatry
- Psychology
- Public Health and Health care Science
- Rehabilitation and Social Work and Social Policy
- Sociology and Anthropology

For further information, write to Director, INFLIBNET Centre

### Current Serials Database of Document Delivery Centers

This database provides the bibliographic details of the journals currently subscribed in six universities, which are identified as Document Delivery Centres by INFLIBNET. The database covers over 3791 unique titles of current serials received in these six libraries in the year 2000. Apart from bibliographic details, database provides link to email and other communication addresses of the universities. Following universities will work as Document Delivery Centres:

- Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi
- University of Hyderabad, Hyderabad
- Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore
- Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi
- Panjab University, Chandigarh
- Tata Institute of Social Science, Mumbai

The database can be searched under title, publisher, place, location and subject. It can be accessed through INFLIBNET web page ([www.inflibnet.ac.in](http://www.inflibnet.ac.in))

### Installation of SOUL

The pace of Library automation in the universities was very slow in last decade. It was mainly because of non-availability of suitable and affordable software in the country. SOUL designed and developed by INFLIBNET Centre accelerated the

library automation activity. This user friendly and cost effective software is in great demand from all corners in the country. During this period INFLIBNET faculty installed the software in 11 different universities and imparted on-site training to library staff. The total installation has now reached sixteen. Universities where SOUL was installed in last three months are:

- M S University of Baroda, Vadodara
- North Gujarat University, Patan
- Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam
- University of Calcutta, Calcutta
- Devi Ahilya Vishwavidyalaya, Indoor
- Bangalore university, Bangalore
- Central Institute of Higher English and Foreign Languages, Hyderabad
- Assam University, Silchar
- Banasthali Vidyapith, Banasthali
- University of Madras, Chennai
- Bhavnagar University, Bhavnagar
- Shri Krishnadevaraya University, Anantpur

### Scholarships and Awards

#### INFORMATION ON SCHOLARSHIPS, FELLOWSHIPS, TRAVEL GRANTS, AWARDS AND OTHER FUNDINGS AT INFLIBNET WEBSITE: A NEW INITIATIVE

There are number of scholarships, fellowships, awards, travel grants and other funding provided



by various professional bodies, trusts, Government Departments, International agencies and many others for pursuing higher studies and research in India and abroad. This information is announced through various newsletters, newspapers, announcements etc from time to time. But, still many are not aware as to how many such scholarships, fellowships, awards etc. are available in a given area. As another innovative way within the purview of our activities, to provide such an information at one place to the Indian academia, we have introduced a mechanism to collect, organize, and host this information on the INFLIBNET's website. It is assumed that, this kind of information through the Internet will reach out to many aspiring students, teachers, researchers and public at large. The information relating to the scholarships, fellowships, loans, special grants, funding for travel to attend conferences, educational exchange programs, awards, and other related information will be available on <http://www.inflibnet.ac.in>. We hereby request such institutions, professional bodies, trusts, and other agencies, who provide these types of scholarships etc, to send us the details.

## University Profile

### **International Institute of Population Sciences**

The International Institution for Population Sciences (IIPS) formally known as Demographic Training and Research Centre (DTRC) was established in July 1956 at Chembur, Mumbai to serve as the Regional Institute for training and research in population studies for Asia and Pacific region of United Nations. It was renamed as International Institute of Population Studies in December 1970 and was redesignated to its present title in March 1984 and given a status of Deemed University to facilitate expansion of its academic activities. It is an autonomous institute sponsored jointly by the

Government of India, the United Nation and Sir Dorabji Tata Trust. It has five other regional centres at Santiago, Cairo, Accra, Yaounde and Cameroon.

### **Library**

The institute Library was started in 1957. In initial stage, the library got Census reports from Registrar General of India and State Government. Apart from this, census details are received as gratis from various countries. United Nation also supplied more than 300 books as gratis.

Library is fully air-conditioned and is rich in demographic literature. It has 66598 collection of books, 10881 bound periodicals and 14266 reprints. The library adds to its collection annually about 1500 books, 400 reprints and 500 bound volumes of journals. It receives about 250 Indian as well as foreign journals out of which 150 journals by subscription and 100 journals by gratis.

### **Library Service**

The library provides reading facilities, lending facilities, inter-library loan, abstracting, current awareness services, documentation, reference, online queries, bibliographic article indexing and photocopying services. IIPS library has developed its website (<http://www.iipslib.tsx.org>). Users can visit this and see the latest journals/magazines which are being subscribed during the year 2000-2001, bound periodicals and to know about other activities of the institute.

### **INFLIBNET Support**

The work of library automation was initiated in the year 1996 with the installation of one PC and one dot matrix printer with System of Library

Management (SLIM) software. Recently library has purchased SOUL and started automation work using SOUL. UGC provided grant of one lakh for establishing core facilities to access networking in the financial year 1996-1997. This grant was used to procure Pentium machines, printer and telephone line for Internet connection. Further grant of Rs.6.5 lakhs was received during the financial year 1997-98 under INFLIBNET Programme. This grant has been utilised to strengthen the library automation work. Entire library is connected internally through LAN with 14 terminals. With the financial support from INFLIBNET, library has purchased computers , Laser printer, bar code printer , barcode scanner . All the library functions are fully computerised in 1998 .

Library is providing free Internet access to students, scholars, faculty and staff members. This service is extensively used to search information on the topic of the interest to users. E-mail facility is also provided in the library.

### **Future Plans**

The library plans to achieve excellence in data entry work in order to standardize the data. It plans to host OPAC module through campus networking . As a commitment to INFLIBNET Programme, IIPS library is replacing SLIM software with SOUL for library automation work.

### **Library Journals in INFLIBNET Library**

INFLIBNET is subscribing to reputed journals in the field of Library and Information Science and Computer Science. Based on its journal collection, INFLIBNET is providing document delivery service

to academicians in the country in these subjects. Faculty members, students avail this facility. Those who are interested, can send their requests for articles published in these journals to INFLIBNET Centre. In case of students, request should be forwarded through head of department. Following is the list of journals subscribed in the year 2000.

1. Annals of Library Science & Documentation
2. ASLIB Proceedings
3. Australian Academic and Research Library
1. Cataloguing & Classification Quarterly
2. Communications ACM
3. Computer Today
4. Computers in Libraries
5. CSI Communications
6. Data Quest
7. DESIDOC Bulletin
8. Dr. Dobb's Journal
9. Econtents (Formerly :Database)
10. Electronic Library
11. Electronics for you
12. Electronics Information and Planning (India)
13. Electronics Today
14. Herald of Library Science
15. IASLIC Bulletin
16. IEEE Communication Magazine
17. IEEE Internet Computing Magazine
18. IEEE Network
19. IETE Technical Review
20. ILA Bulletin



21. Information Studies
22. Information Technology
23. Information Technology & Libraries
24. Information Today & Tomorrow
25. International Federation of Library Association Journal
26. I-T Digest (Ceased)
27. Journal of ILL, Document Delivery and Information Supply
28. Journal of Academic Librarianship
29. Journal of Documentation
30. Journal of Internet Cataloguing
31. LAN Magazine (The Indian Edition)
32. Library Hi-Tech Journal
33. Library Science with a Slant to Documentation & Information Studies
34. Library Technology Reports
35. Managing information
36. Network Magazine (Formerly : Data Communication International )
37. New Review of Information Networking
38. OCLC Newsletter
39. OCLC Systems and Services
40. Online & CD-Rom Review
41. PC Magazine
42. PC Quest
43. Program
44. Resource Sharing and Information Networks
45. Serials
46. Telecommunications (India)

47. The South Asian Bibliographer
48. University News
49. Telecommunications (India)
50. The South Asian Bibliographer
51. University News

Those who want any information, published in above journals or in CDROM, can write to us. We will take utmost care to deliver those articles

### Article Alert

1. Alex Byrne. Towards a world of free access to information and freedom of expression. ***IFLA Journal***. Vol. 26, No.4, 2000, pp. 255-259
2. Angee Baker. The impact of consortia on database licensing. ***Computers in Libraries***. Vol. 20, No. 6, June 2000, pp 46-50
3. Bob Bater. Cataloguing electronic resources: Wise up or dumb down. ***Managing Information***. Vol. 7, No.4, May 2000, pp- 36-38
4. Bruce Royan. Content creation and rights management: Experiences of SCRAN. (Scottish Cultural Resources Access Network). ***Programme***. Vol. 34. No 2. April, 2000. Pp- 131-142.
5. David Green. The evolution of web searching. ***Online Information Review***. Vol. 24, No. 2, 2000, pp 124-137
6. Harry M Kibirige and Lisa Depole. The internet as a source of academic research information: Findings of two pilot studies. ***Information***

*Technology and Libraries*. Vol. 19, No.1, March 2000, pp.11-16

7. J. D. Tygar and Alma Whitten. Comment: Why isn't the internet secure yet. ***Aslib Proceedings***. Vol.52, No.3, 2000, pp.93-97
8. Jacqueline Chelim. Whose information is it: Access to information – Libraries in higher education. ***Managing Information***. Vol. 7, No.3, April 2000, pp-62-65
9. Jian- Zhog Joe Zhou. The internet, the world wide web, library web browser and library web servers. ***Information Technology and Libraries***. Vol. 19, No1, March 2000, pp. 50-52
10. Judith F. Krug. Internet and filtering in libraries: The American experience. ***IFLA Journal***. Vol. 26, No.4, 2000, pp. 284-287
11. Kimberley Donnelly. Refelections on what happens when librarians became teachers. ***Computers in Libraries***. Vol. 20, No. 6, June 2000, pp 46-49
12. Lewis Guodo Liu. The emergence of business information resources and services on the internet and its impact on librarianship. ***Online Information Review***. Vol. 24, No. 3, 2000, pp.234-254
13. Peggy Bridges and Suzet te Morgan. Fitting the piece together: Developing better service for end-users. ***Computers in Libraries***. Vol. 20, No. 3, June 2000, pp 26 31
14. Piet De Keyser. Conversions to and from CDS/ISIS: An overview of the possibilities, problems and the programmes. ). ***Programme***. Vol. 34. No 2. April, 2000. Pp-131-142.

## Important Web Sites

### Multi-lingual Resources

Development towards use of Information Technology in Indian Language.

<http://www.tdil.gov.in/articles/artindx.htm>

1. Graphics and Intelligence based Script Technology, CDAC India  
<http://www.cdac.org.in/html/gist/webappl.htm1>
2. Modular System, Pune, India  
[www.modular-systems.com/html/modpls.htm](http://www.modular-systems.com/html/modpls.htm)
3. TDIL- Technology Development for Indian Languages.  
<http://www.tdil.gov.in>
4. Unicode consortium.  
<http://www.unicode.org/>
5. Multi lingual portal for Indian Language: Web Dunia  
[www.webdunia.com](http://www.webdunia.com)
6. Indian Language portal  
[www.Indianlanguages.com](http://www.Indianlanguages.com)
7. Languages of India  
[www.indian.saga.com/languages](http://www.indian.saga.com/languages)
8. Email in Indian Language  
<http://www.rediff.com/>

## CD Rom Databases

INFLIBNET is subscribing to CD –ROM databases to supplement the information need of users in universities. Those who wish to avail this service can send the request form to Director, INFLIBNET. Based on request form , INFLIBNET searches the databases and sends the results to the request either in print and electronic form. List of the database are given below



## List of CD-Rom Databases

Sr. No.	CD-ROM DATABASES	PUBLISHERS	SUBS.YEAR
1	British National Bibliography: Current File 1986-1999(M)	The British Library	1999-2000
2	CDMARC: Bibliographic	Library of Congress	1996
3	CDMARC: Names	Library of Congress	1996
4	CDMARC: Subject	Library of Congress	1996
5	Current Contents: Social and Behavioral Sciences	Istitute for Scientific Information	July 2000-Jun 2001
6.	Dissertation Abstracts International : Social Science Humanities	University Microfilms Information	Jun 2000-May 2001
7.	Econolit : Journal of Economic Literature (Q)	Silver Platter	Jul, 99-Jun, 2000
8.	Embase CD: Drugs and Pharmacology (Q)	Silver Platter	1995
9.	ERIC : Educational Resource Information Center	Silver Platter	1995
10	Indian Science Abstracts (Indian)	INSDOC	Jan - Dec 2000
11	Indian Patent Database (Indian)	INSDOC	Jan -Dec 2000
12	Inside Information	The British Library	1996
13	Inside: Science(Q)	The British Library	Jan-Dec 1999
14	Inside: Social Sciences and Humanities(Q)	The British Library	Jan-Dec 1999
15	ISSN Compact: International Standard Serial Number(Q)	ISSN International Centre	Jan-Dec 2000
16	LISA: Library and Information	R R Bowker	Jul,99-Jun,2000
17	MEDLINE: Medlars on line	Silver Platter	1992
18	NUCSSI:	INSDOC	Jan-Dec 1999
19	OCLC: Authority files(Q)	OCLC	Nov 99- Oct 2000
20	OCLC: Old Books(Q)	OCLC	Nov 99- Oct 2000
21	OCLC: Rent Books(Q)	OCLC	Nov 99- Oct 2000
22	OCLC: Serials(Q)	OCLC	Nov 99-Oct 2000
23	Philosopher's Index(Q)	Wilson	1999-2000
24	Psyclit: Psycholocal Abstracts(Q)	Silver Platter	Jul,99-Jun 2000
25	Social Sciences Citation Index	ISI	1996
26	Sociofile: Sociological Abstracts	Silver Platter	Jun 2000-May 2001
27	Ulrich's on Disc: International Periodicals Directory (Q)	R R Bowker	Jul 2000-Jun 2001