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Prof. Amar Nath Rai, VC of Mizoram University releasing the Souvenir on the occasion of PLANNER 2007 inaugural session. Also seen on the dias are Sh. Prem Chand, Sh. Manoj Kumar K, **Dr. Lalzama**, (Hon'ble Minister of Higher Edu.) Dr. Pravakar Rath, (Org.Sec) Prof. E. Balaguruswamy (Keynote Speaker) and Sh. Benjamina (LtoR)

INFLIBNET has taken lot of initiatives to enhance the skills of library professionals and expose them with latest technology. An annual conference called "Promotion of Library Automation in North Eastern Region" (PLANNER) was organized at Mizoram University, Aizawl on 9-10th Nov 2006. The PLANNER was truly inspiring to witness so many delegates from different parts of the country actively participating for this important event. PLANNER-06 provided a platform for the library professionals in North East region to discuss various emerging issues in the field of Library and Information Science and perhaps most important would be to connect people in network of solidarity and mutual understanding that transcend national and cultural boundaries.

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## NEW GB CHAIRMAN, INFLIBNET



Professor **S.K.Khanna** has been appointed as Chairman, Governing Board of INFLIBNET on 27<sup>th</sup> Oct 2006. He is the former Chairman, All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) and Vice Chairman, University Grants Commission (UGC) - the two apex regulatory bodies of educational planning and administration in India

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## UGC Chairman's Visit



Acting Director greets Chairman, UGC

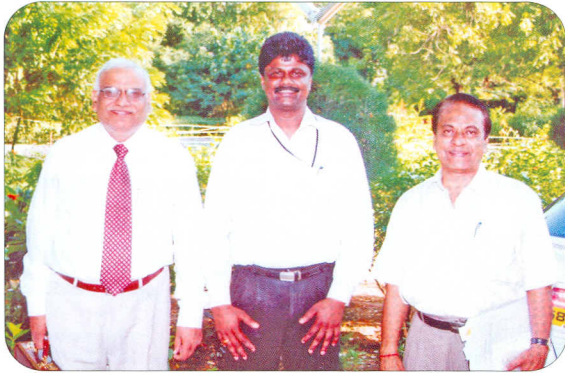
The Hon'ble Chairman, UGC Prof. Sukhdeo Thorat complimented INFLIBNET during his maiden visit to the Centre and appreciated employees for the allround development and services rendered to the academic community. He specifically mentioned that academic community appreciates the role of INFLIBNET where ever he visits. He also advised INFLIBNET to take more challenges in future and play greater role to reach the information to a wider area including colleges. He assured that sufficient fund will be provided for construction of permanent building for the Centre in the next plan period and its activities will be strengthened.



**Sh S M Salgar**, Scientist-G has taken charge as Acting Director of INFLIBNET Centre on 27th Nov 2006. He is the the senior most scientist in the Centre.



Dr. K Gunashekarhan, Joint Secretary, UGC visited INFLIBNET to interact with the technical staff about the extension of INFLIBNET services to Colleges with Potential for Excellence(CPE) A presentation was made before him about the model which is proposed for the colleges



Hon'ble Commission Member Prof. D S Chauhan and Dr A K Parate, Joint Secretary incharge of IUC, UGC New Delhi during their visit to INFLIBNET Centre



IUC Directors Meet for XI Plan theme preparation at IUAC, New Delhi (L to R) Dr G D Sharma(CEC, New Delhi), Dr Amit Ray(IUAC/NSC, New Delhi), Dr Naresh K Dadhich(IUCAA, Pune), Dr. Praveen Chaddah(DAE-Consortium, Indore), with Manoj Kumar K (INFLIBNET)



Senior Administrative Officer Sh. D. P. Negi rendering welcome address to UGC Chairman Prof. Sukhadeo Thorat.



Delivering Invited talk on 'Building Digital Libraries: Initiatives of INFLIBNET for India' in International Conference on Digital Libraries (ICDL2006).



Participants of PLANNER-2006 at Mizoram University, Aizawl

## INTERNATIONAL CALIBER - 2007 : ANNOUNCEMENT

CALIBER [Convention on Automation of Libraries in Education and Research Institutions] is an international convention, organized every year by INFLIBNET Centre at various parts of the country in collaboration with different universities. This is the premier convention in India which provides a unique forum to the library and information professionals, teachers, IT professionals, consultants and users involved in automation and networking of libraries as well as information providers to come together and interact on the subjects of mutual interest. The fourteenth CALIBER in the series, for the year 2007, has been themed as "Information and Knowledge Management in Networked World" and will be hosted by Panjab University, Chandigarh, Punjab during February 8-10, 2007. The official language of the convention will be English.

### OBJECTIVES

- To highlight and enhance the issues related to digital libraries and knowledge management
- To help and to share experiences of professionals in the areas of automation, digitization, knowledge management and networking.
- To study the relevance of innovations in information communications technologies in academic environment
- To explore the issues involved in web based systems and their usefulness to the users.
- To serve as a ground to exchange ideas related to associated technologies covering digital libraries, knowledge management, standards and applications in Libraries and Information Centres
- To enable the participants to understand the latest developments in the respective area.

### CALL FOR PAPERS

Programme committee solicits high quality technical papers related to the themes and sub-themes listed below.

**Main Theme: Information and Knowledge Management in Networked World**

#### Sub theme 1 Digital Libraries

- Digital Library architectures, models, integrated access interface
- Digital archiving, preservation and Sustainability: methodological, technical and legal issues
- Access to distributed and heterogeneous digital collections including Multilingual information Access and Multimedia Information Handling
- Digital library security and information protection
- Digital Library Applications: Trends and Future
- Digital library performance, resources, usefulness, usability and evaluation

#### Sub theme 2 Information and Knowledge Management

- KM Architecture, System Design, Applications and Practices
- Knowledge Assets, Barriers to knowledge
- Knowledge audits, benchmarks, maturity measures
- Knowledge discovery: databases and portals
- Knowledge Generation and Transfer
- Knowledge-based IT infrastructures and its role
- Challenges and Opportunities in KM

#### Sub theme 3 Innovations in Information and Communication Technology (ICT)

- Distributed and heterogeneous digital collections: interoperability, scalability, relevant information discovery
- Indexing and Information Retrieval
- Security techniques
- Storage Models and Architecture
- Web technology and Evolving Search Engines
- Standards and Protocols

#### Sub theme 4 Towards Virtual Libraries

- The Roles of e-journals, e-books, and open access publishing in libraries
- E-publishing, open source movement, open access initiatives
- Institutional repositories and electronic resource sharing
- Digital divide, Digital Library Network and Information Sharing
- Human factors in Information Systems Integration
- User studies and system evaluation

Kindly visit the convention website <http://www.inflibnet.ac.in/caliber2007/> for detailed guidelines and editorial Policy for CALIBER 2007.

### IMPORTANT DATES

**Receipt of full papers :** December 29, 2006  
**Intimation to Author(s) :** January 17, 2007  
**Last date for Registration :** January 19, 2007  
**Pre-Conference Tutorial :** February 8, 2007  
**Convention Dates :** February 8-10, 2007

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### COMMISSION MEETING AT UGC, NEW DELHI

Sh. Manoj Kumar K, Acting Director and Sh. Prem Chand, Scientist C of the Centre attended the Commission meeting at New Delhi and presented the status report of the INFLIBNET Centre to the Commission. The Commission members reviewed positively the work carried out by the Centre after the presentation made about the Centre. The Commission members also assured of release of more funds for the Centre and asked the Centre to take some more initiatives in the areas of Networking of colleges, development of NE states and automation of college libraries.

#### Meeting Regarding DTH Channels, Broadband Connectivity and other related issues at Dept of HE, MHRD:

Sh. Manoj Kumar K, Acting Director and Sh. S K Sharma, Scientist B of the Centre was invited to attend the meeting on DTH Channels, Broadband Connectivity and other related issues by Department of Higher Education, MHRD on 28<sup>th</sup> September 2006.

### SOUL NEWS

SOUL software has been installed at 1089 institutions till December 2006.

Sr. No.	States	No.
1	Andhra Pradesh	76
2	Colleges at Andhra Pradesh	107
3	Arunachal Pradesh	01
4	Assam	48
5	Bihar	09
6	Chandigarh	46
7	Chhattisgarh	08
8	Daman	02
9	Delhi	14
10	Goa	01
11	Gujarat	223
12	Haryana	14

13	Himachal Pradesh	09
14	Jammu & Kashmir	09
15	Jammu & Kashmir (Special Programme)	30
16	Jharkhand	01
17	Karnataka	25
18	Kerala	80
19	Madhya Pradesh	21
20	A-Commissioner of Higher Education (Madhya Pradesh)	91
21	Maharashtra	187
22	Manipur	04
23	Meghalaya	01
24	Mizoram	05
25	Nagaland	04
26	Nepal	02
27	North - Eastern Region (Special Programme)	47
28	Orissa	06
29	Pondicherry	02
30	Punjab	21
31	Rajasthan	29
32	Tamil Nadu	21
33	Uttar Pradesh	24
34	Uttaranchal	11
35	West Bengal	39
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1218</b>

#### SOUL Training Programmes at INFLIBNET

51<sup>st</sup> Training Programme was held during 31<sup>st</sup> July to 4<sup>th</sup> August 2006 at INFLIBNET Centre, Ahmedabad. 12 Participants attended from various part of the country. The programme was inaugurated by Sh. Manoj Kumar, Acting Director, INFLIBNET Centre.

52<sup>nd</sup> Training Programme was held during 25<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> September 2006 at INFLIBNET Centre, Ahmedabad. 20 Participants attended the programme from across the Country. The programme was inaugurated by Sh. Manoj Kumar, Acting Director, INFLIBNET Centre.

53<sup>rd</sup> Training Programme was held during 9<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> October 2006 at INFLIBNET Centre, Ahmedabad. 15 participants were attended the programme brought from across the country. The programme was inaugurated by Dr. Kautilya Shukla, University Librarian, MS University of Baroda, Varodara.

54<sup>th</sup> Training Programme was held from 27<sup>th</sup> November to 1<sup>st</sup> December 2006 at INFLIBNET Centre. Sh. S M Salgar, Acting Director of the Centre, inaugurated the programme. 23 participants attended the training programme from across the country. Sh. C K Shah, Admin Officer (GS) acted as a course coordinator of the above programmes.

#### SOUL Training Programmes for Directorate of Collegiate Education, Hyderabad

SOUL Training Programme for Directorate of Collegiate Education (DCE), Hyderabad was organized at Indira Gandhi Priya Darshini Govt Degree College for Women, Nampally, Hyderabad from 4<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> December 2006. The training programme for the second batch for the DCE was inaugurated by Dr Subbarao Ghanta, State Chief Information Officer and E.O. Special Secretary to CM, Information Technology and Communications Department, Govt of AP, Hyderabad. The inaugural session was presided by Prof Lakshminarayana, IAS, Director, DCE, Hyderabad. Dr. David Kumar, CIO, DCE, Sh. Manoj Kumar K, Scientist D (CS) of the Centre and Shri Krishna Murthy, Principal, Indira Gandhi Priyadarshini Govt degree college, Hyderabad were also present. The programme was concluded on 8<sup>th</sup> December by Dr. David Kumar, CIO, DCE and Sh. B Ramesh, Scientist B of the Centre. There were 50 participants attended the training programme from different colleges of Andhra Pradesh state. Sh. H. G. Hosamani, Sc-B, Sh. B. Ramesh, Sc-B, Ms. Elora Parida and Sh. Suresh Chauhan Served as resource persons for this training programme.

### VISITORS AT INFLIBNET

Librarians of the Indian Institute of Management, Bangalore, and Kozikode, Mr. Chikkamallaiah, and Dr. M G Sreekumar, respectively and Librarian Incharge of Indian Institute of Management, Lucknow visited the INFLIBNET Centre and interacted with the technical staff of the Centre.

### STAFF VISITS

**Sh. Manoj Kumar K.**, Acting Director of the Centre visited Delhi and attended the INDEST-AICTE Consortium meeting on 7<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> July 2006. During the meeting, Sh. Manoj Kumar met with Prof. Damodar Acharya, Director, IIT, Prof. Arun Samaddar, Director, Motilal Nehru National Institute of Technology, Allahabad, Dr. K Madhu Murthy, Advisor (Admn.), AICTE, and Sh. Yogendra Singh, Librarian, IIT, Roorkee, Dr. Ravinder Kumar Chadha, Director, Parliament of India, Lok Sabha Secretariat.

Sh. Manoj Kumar K, Acting Director, INFLIBNET Centre attended the presentation ceremony of UGC National Hari Om Ashram Trust Swami Pranavanda Saraswati & Veda Vyas Sanskrit Award on 20<sup>th</sup> July 2006 at New Delhi. The function was inaugurated by Sh. Arjun Singh, the Hon'ble Minister for MHRD, Govt. of India. He also visited ERNET, India and had a discussion with Dr. Gulshan Rao, Executive Director and Dr. Amardeep Singh, Sr. Manager, ERNET regarding the UGC-Infonet connectivity of the universities.

Sh. Manoj Kumar K, Acting Director of the Centre attended National Conference on Information Management in Digital Libraries (NCIMDL) at IIT, Kharagpur. The programme was inaugurated by Dr. Debesh Das, Hon'ble Minister-in-charge, Department of Information Technology, Government of West Bengal. The Keynote address was delivered by Dr. P Anandan, Managing Director, Microsoft Research, India. He was also invited for a special talk on Digital Library Planning and Development on the inaugural day. During the conference, Sh. Manoj Kumar also presented his paper entitled **Demystifying the Web for Authentic Information and Morphology of Scholarly Literature**. He also had a discussion with the all IIT librarians during the conference.

**Sh. Manoj Kumar K.**, Acting Director along with **Sh. Prem Chand**, Scientist C and **Sh. K Prakash**, Scientific & Technical Officer of the Centre attended National Steering Committee meeting on UGC-Infonet Digital Consortium on 5<sup>th</sup> August 2006 at IUCAA, Pune. They presented status of the E-journal subscription, new additions, budgetary requirements, and usage statistics. College model for e-journal consortium was also discussed and a committee was formed to look into the pending issues of the E-journal consortium and college model.

**Shri Prem Chand**, Scientist-C of the Centre visited Smt. Hansa Mehta Library, Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda, Varodara for delivering a lecture on E-Resources during the workshop on Access to Electronic Resources on August 2006.

**Shri Yatrik Patel**, Scientist B of the Centre visited Smt. Hansa Mehta Library, Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda, Vadodara for delivering a lecture on D-Space and E-Print Institutional Repositories for their National Workshop on Digital Libraries on 21<sup>st</sup> September 2006.

**Shri Rajesh Chandrakar**, Scientific & Technical Officer of the Centre visited to the Smt. Hansa Mehta Library, Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda, Vadodara for delivering a lecture on Greenstone Digital Library Software for their National Workshop on Digital Libraries on 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2006.

**Sh. Manoj Kumar K**, Acting Director along with Sh. Prem Chand, Scientist C and Sh. Rajesh Chandrakar, Scientific & Technical Officer of the Centre attended the International Conference on Digital Libraries was invited to deliver a talk on (ICDL 2006) held at TERI, New Delhi on 5<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> December 2006. Sh. Manoj Kumar delivered an invited talk on "Information Management in Digital Libraries: Role of INFLIBNET/UGC" Digital Library Planning, development and management session and Sh. Rajesh Chandrakar presented his paper on "Electronic Publishing Model for Indian Academic Journals" during E-Publishing session on 6<sup>th</sup> December 2006. Sh. Chandrakar was Rapporteur and member of the Recommending Committee of the conference.

### STAFF NEWS

Sh. Manoj Kumar K, Scientist D (CS), who was appointed as an Acting Director of the Centre for the last 5 months was relinquished from the post on 27<sup>th</sup> November 2006 and Senior Scientist Sh. S M Salgar, who joined the office after long sick leave took over as Acting Director of the center.

ADINET and INFLIBNET in collaboration with South Gujarat College Granthpal Mitra Circle organized a one day seminar on "Library Automation" at Sayaji Vaibhav Library, Navsari. Topics covered are Library Automation, SOUL s/w and Open Access Resources. Mrs. R Bharucha, Hon. Director, ADINET, Mr. Yatrik Patel and Mr. K Prakash from INFLIBNET Centre acted as resources persons. Mr. Amit Parmar, Trainee DEO also assisted in conducting the seminar. Mr. D J Chauhan, Librarian of V S Patel College Arts and Science, Billimora was the Coordinator.

## NATIONAL KNOWLEDGE COMMISSION REPORT

The follow-up meeting of the National Knowledge Commission Working Group on Libraries was convened on 13<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> at CCMB Conference room at Hyderabad to discuss about the various Sub-Committee reports related to Database, Networking, Public Libraries, Staff selection, Human Resource Development and also to suggest the LIS requirements

**Sh. Manoj Kumar K**, Acting Director of the Centre joined the meeting at Hyderabad, which was attended by Vice-Chairman, NKC, Dr. P M Bhargava, Shri Jayakumar, IAS, Jt. Secretary, Ministry of Culture, GoI, Prof. P B Mangala, Delhi University, Prof. S Mandal, Director, National Library and Council Member, INFLIBNET Centre, Shri K K Banerjee, Director, RRR Library Foundation, Kolkata, Ms. Harsha Parekh, Executive Trustee and former GB Member, INFLIBNET, Shri K K Kochukoshy, Librarian, Central Reference Library, Govt. of India, Dr. T A V Murthy, former Director, INFLIBNET & Librarian, CIEFL.

The meeting lasted for two days and several draft documents and proposal were prepared by various Sub-Committees for recommendation to the NKC.

The final meeting of the National Knowledge Commission – working Group on Libraries was scheduled on 14<sup>th</sup> of August, 2006 at Hyderabad. Several draft documents and proposals prepared during the previous meeting were submitted to this time for discussion and resolution. As a part of the recommendation of the NKC, INFLIBNET was asked to prepare a proposal for 500 Public Libraries as a Pilot model for Database creation and networking. The proposal was accepted by the Committee, which will be recommended to the Chairman, NKC in the final report.

**Sh. Manoj Kumar K**, Acting Director of the Centre attended the International Symposium on Open Educational Resources on 18<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> August 2006 New Delhi. Mr. Sam Pitroda, Chairman, National Knowledge Commission delivered the theme talk of the symposium through the video-conferencing. During the discussion of the Symposium, Sh. Manoj Kumar appraised about the ongoing activities and initiatives taken up by UGC as well as INFLIBNET in the Higher Education sector providing E-Resources. The work of the Centre was greatly appreciated by the Chairman. During the Symposium, Sh. Manoj Kumar also met with Shri Kiran Kartik, President NASSCOM, Shri K R Srivathsan, Director IIIT-K, Trivandrum, Dr. Ramakrishnan, DG, C-DAC, Dr. S Ramani, Former GB Chairman of INFLIBNET and Director HP Labs, Research Wing, India, Shri Deepak Bhatnagar, Advisor TIFAC including Dr. AK Parate, Jt. Secretary of the UGC.

## STOCK VERIFICATION THROUGH WIFI USING SOUL AT GUJARAT VIDYAPITH LIBRARY

Library of Gujarat Vidyapith is an open shelf library containing over 5,31,000 books along with a special collection of 28,000 books on Gandhian Studies in more

than a dozen languages including Indian and Foreign. This library is fully automated with state-of-the-art WIFI technology and has over 3,500 live members. The library provides computer facility to its users for quick and easy access of the collections through its own computer centre. This library is fully automated having state of the art WIFI facility.

Vidyapith Library has adapted **INFLIBNET developed SOUL** software for the automation of its library functions through the integrated management facility of the software and successfully using it since couple of years. According to the University Librarian of the Gujarat Vidyapith, Dr. Navalsingh Vaghela, “ *The SOUL software is very useful and helped us greatly in providing services to the users*”. Very positively, the Gujarat Vidyapith Library has introduced itself test bed for the INFLIBNET Centre due to its proximity, volume of collections and members managed through the software.

Recently, the library has experimented stocktaking procedure using wireless LAN with support of Information Scientist Mr. Atul Akbari under the guidance of Dr. Navalsingh Vaghela with necessary **technical support from INFLIBNET Centre. This wireless technology has been initiated first time in the country by using SOUL Software.** The library has used a PC with WLAN adapter, along with barcode reader attached to it. This PC was being placed near the racks and books from each rack were moved near the PC, and its verification was done through a remote server without any physical link.

The Gujarat Vidyapith is a deemed university since 1963, which was founded by our nation's beloved father Mahatma Gandhi on 18<sup>th</sup> October, 1920. Now it is funded and supported by UGC under the higher education system of the nation.

## INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION

INFLIBNET family celebrated the 60<sup>th</sup> Independence Day of India in its campus. Sh. Manoj Kumar K, Acting Director hoisted the national flag and addressed the staff and their family members. Staff members of the Centre with their family attended the function.

## PLANNER-2006, REPORT

Planner-2006 held at Mizoram University, Aizawl on 9th and 10th November, 2006

### Inaugural Session, 9<sup>th</sup> November 2006

PLANNER-2006, 4<sup>th</sup> in the series, was started with an invocation by the students of the Department of Library and Information Science. Prof. Pravakar Rath, Organizing Secretary, welcomed the dignitaries on the dais, participants and invitees to the University as well as to the City of Mizoram. Prof. Rath mentioned that the contents being covered in the Convention are contemporary in nature and are being lectured by well-known experts in the field. Shri Manoj Kumar K, the then Acting Director, INFLIBNET Centre presented an overview of the Centre, its functions and activities. He also uttered the special scheme devised by INFLIBNET under the

guidance of UGC for North East Colleges for Library Automation and assured to give special attention for Mizoram State on priority basis; eventually to cover all UGC affiliated colleges in all the 8 states.

Shri Prem Chand, Convener PLANNER-2006 and Scientist C of the Centre talked about the present and the previous conventions. He expressed that the Convention has received a good response from the member institutions and is being attended by more than 220 registered participants from 19 States across the country.

While delivering the keynote address, Prof. E. Balaguruswamy, Chairman, Consortium for Education Communication, UGC, New Delhi focused on some of the core issues relating to preservation and creation of digital datasets. He highlighted various challenges and bottlenecks in the Indian contexts and emphasized that the most critical is attitude and mindset of the people who are involved in such activities.

Dr. Lalzama, the Honourable Minister for Higher & Technical Education while delivering the inaugural address, assured sustenance and continuity of support from the Govt. to carry forward the development of Library movement together with the development of existing and future breed of Librarians to handle the information dissemination activities in a more proactive way. He called upon the University to undertake organization of training programmes for public librarians in the state using INFLIBNET resources. Honourable minister also released the conference volume and the mementos.

Honourable Vice Chancellor, Prof. Amar Nath Rai in his presidential address emphasized that INFLIBNET should support the University by providing perpetual access to the Consortia-based e-resources as soon as the infrastructure is in place. He also emphasized the need for adequate bandwidth that would facilitate easy access to full-text subscribed resources. Prof. Rai also released the Souvenir of the convention.

Shri Benamina, Registrar proposed vote of thanks to the Hon'ble minister and other dignitaries on the dais. He also thanked all the participants and their organizations including the organizers and the entire team for making the event successful.

#### **Tutorial and Thematic Presentation**

Mr. Yatrik Patel, Scientist B of the Centre delivered a tutorial on Implementation of DSpace, open source software for building digital libraries. Dr. Jagdish Arora, Librarian, IIT, New Delhi delivered the thematic presentation on "Digital Preservation and Management" after the tutorial. Dr. Arora presented a brief background on digital preservation, challenges, strategies and other core issues associated with digital preservation and management. The presentation was followed by a lively discussion from the floor.

#### **Technical Session I (9<sup>th</sup> Nov 2006)**

Technical Session I had 10 papers in all out of which 7 of them were presented by the authors covering issues

pertaining to metadata, creation of institutional repositories and digital curation. The session was followed by 2 commercial presentations by M/s Emerald Publishing Group and M/s Springer.

#### **Technical Session II**

Technical Session II had 10 papers, 3 of them were presented on open source software, ETD, and digital libraries. The session was followed by a commercial presentation by M/s Cambridge University Press.

#### **Technical Session III (November 10, 2006)**

The session started with commercial presentations by M/s Informatics India Ltd and GIST. This session had 18 papers and authors presented 8 papers on Interoperability, digitization activities in India, Open access movement, and digital archiving.

#### **Technical Session IV**

The session started with a commercial presentation by M/s Taylor and Francis, which had 22 papers for presentation, where 5 were presented on issues pertaining to Community Information Centres, evaluation of Usage patterns, resource sharing, library networks and consortia, web portals & portals, virtual reference service, and e-journals.

#### **Technical Session V**

The session started with a commercial presentation by M/s EBSCO and had 22 papers, where 5 papers were presented on search engines, case studies on e-resources access mechanisms, e-books, preservation & management, and ICT for libraries.

#### **Technical Session VI**

Seven papers were presented out of 12 on RFID, Meta Search Engines, marketing of library services, and multi-lingual repositories.

#### **Panel Discussion**

The last session of the convention was a Panel Discussion on "Digital Preservation, Management and Access to Information". Dr. Jagdish Arora chaired the session, where Shri. Manoj Kumar K, Dr. Usha Munshi, Librarian, ISI, Kolkata, Dr. Ramesh Gaur, Librarian Kalanidhi, IGNC, New Delhi, Shri Yatrik Patel and Shri Shankar Singh, Librarian, PFC, New Delhi were the panellists. The panel had a discussion on the sustainability, challenges of preservation in Indian scenario, perpetual access to subscribed contents, federated access and search issues, organisational support and commitments for Institutional Repositories.

#### **Valedictory Session**

The valedictory session started with introduction by the organizing secretary, Prof. Pravakar Rath. The Rapporteur General Dr. Preeti Mahajan presented the convention report to the delegates and the dignitaries presents on the dais. Prof. Amar Nath Rai while delivering the address, expressed his pleasure to be associated with the

convention and INFLIBNET and reiterated his continuing support for promotion of facilitating library and information services in the changing electronic environment across the campus. Shri Manoj Kumar delivered the concluding remarks.

Shri RK Ngurtinkhuma, Jt. Organising Secretary, thanked Vice Chancellor and the Registrar of the University for their guidance, support and encouragement extended for making the convention successful. He also thanked participants, INFLIBNET and the staffs at Mizoram University for their active contribution in making the event successful.

Participants and delegates enjoyed the Scenic beauty of Mizoram for its tranquil loveliness and also enjoyed the pre conference music dinner.

Following experts were chairpersons for various technical sessions

Dr. R.K. Chadha, Director, Parliament Library was acted as the Convention Director and Dr. Preeti Mahajan, faculty, Department of Library and Information Science, Punjab University, Chandigarh was the Rapporteur General of the Convention.

## UGC-INFONET E-JOURNALS CONSORTIUM: AN ANALYSIS

### 1. Introduction

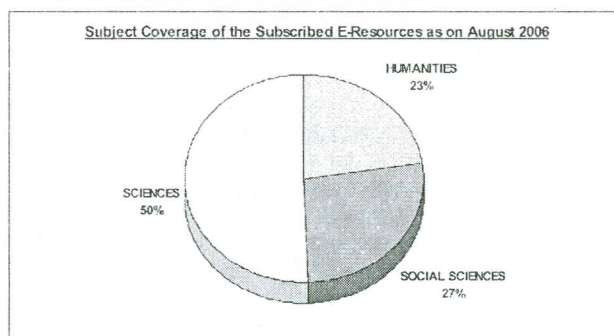
UGC – Infonet E-journal consortium is an ambitious Programme, launched by UGC in the year 2004 to facilitate scholarly communication to the academic community in India. So far hundred universities are covered under the programme and offered access facility to various peer reviewed highly refereed, society, commercial and institutional published e-resources. This centrally funded, unlike other consortium is unique in nature, which is not linked with the print subscription of the universities. Since the consortium was launched in 2004 usage of the e-resources is gradually increasing millions of full text articles from peer reviewed scholarly journals have been downloaded. The total number of downloads since January 2004-June 2006 are **45,61,946** (2004- **8,79,625**, 2005- **29,45,074** and 2006- **7,37,247**[5 months])

### 2. Universities Covered under UGC-Infonet E-Journals Consortium

The UGC-Infonet effort is very systematic as it took the connectivity aspect first and provided Internet connectivity to more than 150 universities as on date and the access to E-Journals started with first 50 universities who had connectivity by January 2004 and was extended to another set of 50 universities by January 2005. Thus, at present 100 universities are getting e-journals access through consortium. This access would be provided to all other universities based on the actual requirement as most of the universities eligible to receive grants from UGC. It is of the opinion that many of the general universities and offering degree and post graduate courses in Science, Social Sciences and Humanities have all been covered until now. The remaining are mostly Sanskrit, language, arts and music universities and based on their actual requirement these universities would be covered from 2006.

### 3. Subject Coverage under UGC-Infonet E-Journals Consortium

The UGC-Infonet E-journals consortium covers all areas of learning. It further aims at covering all fields' relevance to various Universities including, Arts & Humanities, Social Sciences, Physical and Chemical Sciences, Life Sciences, Computer Science, Mathematics, Statistics etc. The overall picture shows that there has been equal distribution of journals and databases subscribed in the project having **50%** collections in **Science and Technology**, **27%** collections in **Social Sciences** and **23%** collections in the area of **Arts and Humanities**. As and when more resources in Humanities are made available the access could be made possible. Details of major subjects covered with graph given in the main document.



**Fig: Graph showing the Subject Coverage of Subscribed Titles**

### 4. Resources subscribed under UGC-Infonet E-Journals Consortium

More than 4453+ scholarly journals and databases from around 25 major publishers/vendors made available to around 100 universities and the remaining universities will be provided access in stages. From the users point of view it is a great bonanza for them in the absence of such access from individual universities and from the publishers view they have much better marketing than they had earlier. Archival access is also available for most of the journals from 1997 onwards and from some publishers the access available from Vol. No 1 Issue No.1 viz. American Chemical Society, Institute of Physics, and JSTOR. The subjects covered almost all areas, such as Arts, Humanities, Social Sciences, Physical and Chemical Sciences, Life Sciences, Computer Sciences, Mathematics and Statistics. Providing access to additional collections by many publishers has resulted in usage of such journals that the faculty and research scholars were ignorant about the availability of such collections. The number of E-journals and name of the Publisher along with their coverage is listed below:

#### Journals subscribed under UGC-Infonet E-journals Consortium

#### E-Resources Subscribed under UGC-Infonet E-Journals Consortium as on April 1, 2006

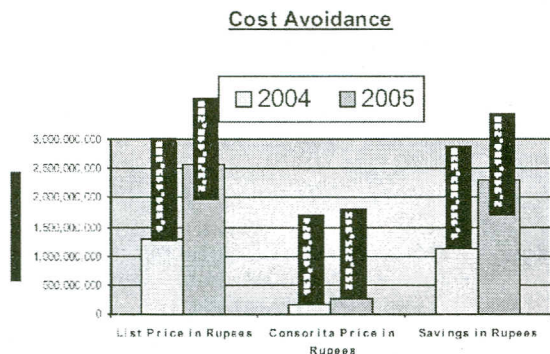
- American Chemical Society <http://www.pubs.acs.org>  
No. of Journals : 31  
Universities : 100  
Archival Access : Vol. 1, Issue 1 – onwards



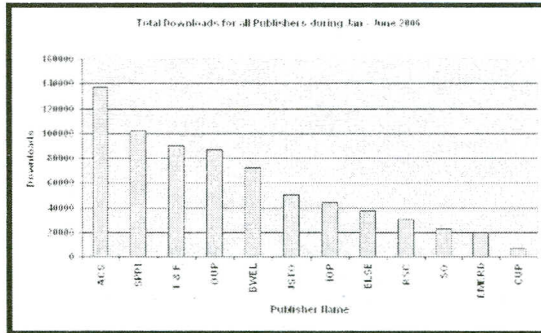
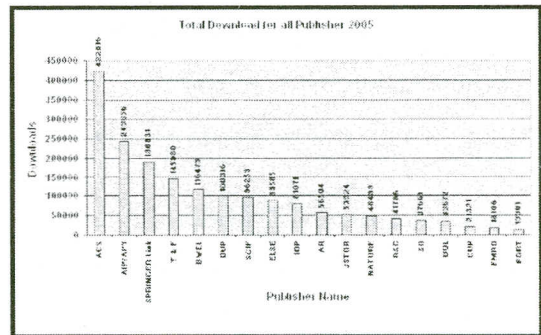
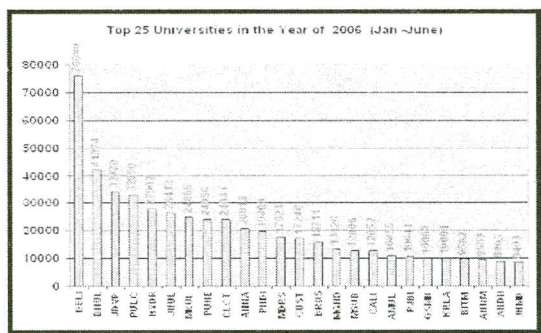
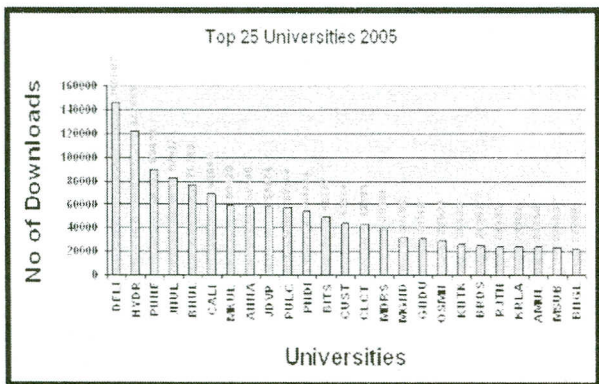
2. American Institute of Physics <http://www.aip.org>  
No. of Journals : 19  
Universities : 100  
Archival Access : Mostly 1997 – onwards
  3. American Physical Society <http://www.aps.org>  
No. of Journals : 08  
Universities : 100  
Archival Access : 1997 – onwards
  4. SpringerLink <http://www.springerlink.com>  
No. of Journals : 200 Journal subscribed and access to  
1200+ Journals  
Universities : 50 + 30 (access to 100)  
Archival Access : 1997-onwards
  5. Elsevier Science <http://www.sciencedirect.com>  
No. of Journals : 34 Journals (Life Sciences)  
Universities : 50  
Archival Access : 1995-onwards
  6. Emerald <http://www.emeraldinsight.com>  
No. of Journals : 29 (Life Sciences)  
Universities : 50  
Archival Access : 2001-onwards (varies jr to jr)
  7. Annual Reviews <http://arjournals.annualreviews.org>  
No. of Journals : 3 Journals  
Universities : 100  
Archival Access : Last Ten years
  8. Taylor and Francis <http://journalsonline.tandf.co.uk>  
No. of Journals : 100 Journals Subscribed and access  
to 1100+ Journals  
Universities : 50 (access to 100)  
Archival Access : 1998-onwards
  9. Portland Press  
<http://www.portlandpress.com/pp/default.htm>  
No. of Journals : 4 Journals  
Universities : 50  
Archival Access : 1996-onwards
  10. Institute of Physics <http://www.iop.org/EJ>  
No. of Journals : 66 Journals  
Universities : 100  
Archival Access : Vol. 1, Issue 1-onwards
  11. Royal Society of Chemistry <http://www.rsc.org>  
No. of Journals : 23 Journals / 6 Databases  
Universities : 100  
Archival Access : 1997-onwards
  12. Blackwell Publishing <http://www.blackwell-synergy.com>  
No. of Journals : 100 Journals Subscribed and access  
to 489 Journals  
Universities : 50 (access to 100)  
Archival Access : 1997-onwards
  13. EuclidProject <http://projecteuclid.org> 1  
No. of Journals : 8 Journals  
Universities : 50  
Archival Access : 2002-onwards
  14. Oxford University Press <http://www.oxfordjournals.org>  
No. of Journals : 100 Journals Subscribed and access  
to 169 Journals  
Universities : 50 (access to 100)  
Archival Access : 1997-onwards
  15. Cambridge University Press  
<http://journals.cambridge.org>  
No. of Journals : 189 Journals  
Universities : 100  
Archival Access : 1997-onwards
  16. Project Muse <http://muse.jhu.edu/journals>  
No. of Journals : 193 Journals  
Universities : 100  
Archival Access : 1999-onwards
  17. JSTOR – Archival Access <http://www.jstor.org>  
No. of Journals : 582 Journals  
Universities : 32  
Archival Access : Vol. 1, Issue 1 – onwards
  18. Encyclopedia Britannica <http://search.eb.com>  
No. of Journals : One Reference Source with National  
Site Licensing  
Universities : All Academic Institutions  
Archival Access : National Site License
  19. Nature <http://www.nature.com>  
No. of Journals : One Journals  
Universities : 50  
Archival Access : 1997-onwards
- Abstracting/Indexing Databases:**
20. Chemical Abstracts Service  
<http://www.cas.org/SCIFINDER/SCHOLAR/>  
No. of Journals : Scifinder Scholar one database  
Universities : 9  
Archival Access : 1907-onwards
  21. Biological abstracts (All Member University have their  
own url)  
No. of Journals : One database  
Universities : 50 + 40  
Archival Access : 1969-onwards
  22. MathSciNet (All Member University have their own  
url)  
No. of Journals : One database  
Universities : 50  
Archival Access : 1940-onwards
- 5. Economics of UGC-Infonet E-Journals Consortium**
- The UGC-Infonet E-Journals Consortium is the most ambitious initiative taken so far in the country to serve faculty and students working in the universities and colleges. The benefit of consortia-based subscription to electronic resources is made available during 2004 to 50 universities and many other universities were given trial access and are added to the consortium during 2005. The

consortium attracted the best possible price and terms of agreement from the publishers and it has been observed from the last one year that every major publisher wants to become a part of this initiative and is ready to provide the best possible economic model. The consortium provides access presently to 4453+ electronic journals from 25 publishers and aggregators. The UGC-Infonet web site on <http://www.inflibnet.ac.in> provides more details on the journals list and other features.

Fig. Cost saving from the UGC-Infonet E-journals



Consortiu for the year 2005-2006



6. Conclusion

The impact of UGC-Infonet E-Journals Consortium is growing considerably across the country. Besides having access of more than 4450 journals under the umbrella demands for more e-resources are still on by the user community including the expansion of the services to the number of universities, who are not covered yet.

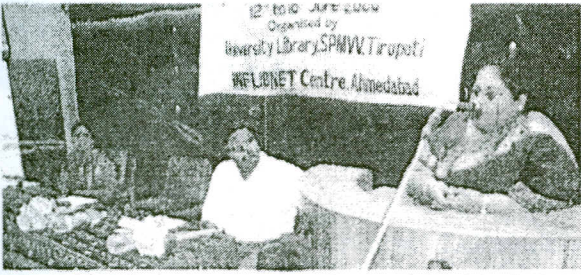
# INFLIBNET in Regional News

## సాంకేతికంగా గ్రంథాలయాలను ఆధునికీకరించండి

మహిళాశాస్త్రవేత్త వినోబానోబుల్ దాస్

యూనివర్సిటీ క్యాంపస్, జూన్ 18 (ఆంధ్రప్రదేశ్) జూన్ 18, విశాఖపట్టణం ప్రధాన కార్యాలయం వద్ద ఆంధ్ర విశ్వవిద్యాలయం (ఆంధ్రప్రదేశ్) సాంకేతిక పరిష్కారాలలో ఆధునికీకరణకు మహిళాశాస్త్రవేత్త వినోబానోబుల్ దాస్ ప్రోత్సాహించారు. శుక్రవారం ఉదయం వచ్చి గ్రంథాలయ మూలం ఆధునికీకరణలో జరిగిన 5 రోజుల శిక్షణ ముగింపు కార్యక్రమంలో ఆమె ముఖ్య అధిగా పాల్గొని ప్రసంగించారు. వీటినే గ్రంథాలయాలను ఆధునికీకరించే దిశలో చైర్మని అధికారిగా వినోబానోబుల్ దాస్ యుజీసీ ఆ సెంటర్ను

నిలబెట్టించారు. ఐదుగురు సెంటర్లలోని సాఫ్ట్వేరు వినియోగ శిక్షణ పొందిన వారికి 15 వేల రూపాయలకు అందించడానికి నిర్ణయం ఉన్నట్లు వినోబానోబుల్ దాస్ యుజీసీ 25 వేల రూపాయల మంతనం చేసింది. ఇన్ఫర్మేషన్ టెక్నాలజీ విభాగం ద్వారా రాజకీయం తెలిపారు. ఈ కార్యక్రమంలో రిసోర్స్ మ్యాన్ రమేష్, ఎన్.వి.యూ.ఎస్.వల్లికల్ వైబ్సీ ప్రొఫెసర్ వల్లభ్రాజు, విద్యార్థి అసోసియేట్ ప్రొఫెసర్ కార్తీకే, ఎన్.వి.యూ.ఎస్.వల్లికల్ వైబ్సీ వైబ్సీ నిర్వహించి దాగ్గర్ వచ్చిన పాల్గొన్నారు.



మహిళాశాస్త్రవేత్త వినోబానోబుల్ దాస్ ప్రసంగిస్తున్న విజ్ఞానోబుల్ దాస్

## గ్రంథాలయాలను ఆధునికీకరించండి

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## The Hindu Library 12.6.06 automation training begins

Staff Reporter

**TIRUPATI:** The regional training programme on "INFLIBNET - Library Automation" conducted by Sri Padmavathi Mahila Viswa Vidyalayam (SPMVV) library began on the campus here on Monday.

The five-day training programme for library professionals of Rayalaseema region covers topics such as planning for INFLIBNET services, library automation, creation of union databases, basics of network security, access to e-journals and UCG InfoNet.

In his address, N.Guruswamy Naidu, a retired professor of Library Science at SV University advised libraries to move towards the era of computers and Information Technology in tune with the changing times in order to ensure survival.

## స్వాతంత్ర్యం వచ్చాకే లైబ్రరీ సైన్స్ కు గుర్తింపు

18 వందల 90 లలో గ్రంథాలయ శాస్త్రం ప్రస్తుత కాలానికి పుట్టింది. గ్రంథాలయ శాస్త్రం ప్రస్తుత కాలానికి పుట్టింది. గ్రంథాలయ శాస్త్రం ప్రస్తుత కాలానికి పుట్టింది. గ్రంథాలయ శాస్త్రం ప్రస్తుత కాలానికి పుట్టింది.



వినోబానోబుల్ దాస్ యుజీసీ ఆ సెంటర్ను నిలబెట్టించారు. ఐదుగురు సెంటర్లలోని సాఫ్ట్వేరు వినియోగ శిక్షణ పొందిన వారికి 15 వేల రూపాయలకు అందించడానికి నిర్ణయం ఉన్నట్లు వినోబానోబుల్ దాస్ యుజీసీ 25 వేల రూపాయల మంతనం చేసింది. ఇన్ఫర్మేషన్ టెక్నాలజీ విభాగం ద్వారా రాజకీయం తెలిపారు. ఈ కార్యక్రమంలో రిసోర్స్ మ్యాన్ రమేష్, ఎన్.వి.యూ.ఎస్.వల్లికల్ వైబ్సీ ప్రొఫెసర్ వల్లభ్రాజు, విద్యార్థి అసోసియేట్ ప్రొఫెసర్ కార్తీకే, ఎన్.వి.యూ.ఎస్.వల్లికల్ వైబ్సీ నిర్వహించి దాగ్గర్ వచ్చిన పాల్గొన్నారు.

(Validictory Function)

## గ్రంథాలయాల కంప్యూటరీకరణపై అవగాహన కల్పించాలి : వినోబానోబుల్ దాస్

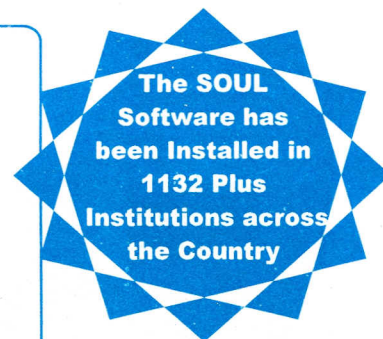
(ప్రజాశక్తి విలేజ్ కె - ఎస్.వి.యూ. క్యాంపస్) గ్రంథాలయాల కంప్యూటరీకరణపై నిర్వాహకులకు అవగాహన కల్పించాలని శ్రీ పద్మావతి మహిళా వర్సిటీ విసి వినోబానోబుల్ దాస్ సూచించారు. వర్సిటీ సెమినార్ హాల్ లో లైబ్రరీ కంప్యూటరీకరణపై శిక్షణా తరగతుల ముగింపు కార్యక్రమం శుక్రవారం జరిగింది. ఈ సందర్భంగా దాస్ మాట్లాడుతూ దేశంలోని గ్రంథాలయాలను అనుసంధానం చేసేందుకు అహ్మదాబాద్ లో యుజీసీ సెంటర్ ను నెలకొల్పిందన్నారు.

అనుసంధానం వల్ల గ్రంథాలయాల నిర్వహణ సులభతరం అవుతుందన్నారు. శిక్షణ పొందిన అభ్యర్థులకు లైబ్రరీ కంప్యూటరీకరణకు అవసరమైన సాఫ్ట్వేర్ ను 15వేలకే అందించేందుకు యుజీసీ సిద్ధంగా ఉందన్నారు. ఐదు రోజుల శిక్షణా తరగతులకు యుజీసీ 25వేల రూపాయలను మంజూరు చేసిందన్నారు. ఈ కార్యక్రమంలో రిసోర్స్ మ్యాన్ రమేష్, ప్రొఫెసర్ వల్లభ్రాజు, ప్రొఫెసర్ రమేష్, కోర్సు కోఆర్డినేటర్ దాక్టర్ డి.రాజేశ్వరి తదితరులు పాల్గొన్నారు.

# SOUL

## STRONG FEATURES OF SOUL

- Windows based user friendly software.
- Well-designed menu driven screens
- Logically arranged functions with extensive help messages
- Based on client server architecture
- Allows scalability to the users
- Bar coding facility
- Does not need extensive training
- Multi-user and multi language facilities
- No limit on simultaneous accesses
- Supports internationally known standards such as CCF and AACR II. MARC-21 etc.
- OPAC is very user friendly and accessible over the web using any GUI based browsers
- **Available at low cost**
- Manual in English and other Indian languages.



The SOUL, state-of-the-art library automation software is designed and developed by the INFLIBNET. It is user-friendly software and works under client-server environment. It is suitable for any library including university and college libraries. It has six modules viz. Acquisition, Cataloguing, Circulation, Serials Control, OPAC and Administration.

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Sh Manoj Kumar K, Acting Director of the Centre is delivering lecture during the Librarian's Day-2006 organized by ADINET and INFLIBNET at AMA, Ahmedabad on 26th August, 2006. Madam Bharucha, Honorary Director of ADINET and other dignitaries are also present.



Acting Director Sh Manoj Kumar K with National Knowledge Commission Vice Chairman Dr. P Bhargava and other members during the meeting of Working group on Libraries, NKC at CCMB Hyderabad on 14th July 2006.

### INFLIBNET Welcomes Chairman & Members, GB

Professor S.K.Khanna has been appointed as Chairman, Governing Board of INFLIBNET on 27th Oct 2006. He is the former Chairman, All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) and Vice Chairman, University Grants Commission (UGC) - the two apex regulatory bodies of educational planning and administration in India. Earlier, Dr.Khanna was a senior faculty for over twenty six years at Indian Institute of Technology (IIT-Roorkee) and engaged in researching and teaching a variety of engineering domains especially in Transport Infrastructure, Planning and Design. Professor Khanna is equally respected for his leadership in technical and managerial education and has been the Chairman of Board of Governors, Indian Institute of Management (IIM) Ahmedabad.

Currently, he is working as Advisor Jaypee Education System (JES) under aegis of Jaypee Sewa Sansthan (JSS) backed by Group of Industries of Jaypee Associates. Professor Khanna has been conferred Distinguished Alumnus award by IIT Roorkee in November 2006. Regarded as one of the most accomplished educationists, Dr.Khanna is Fellow of the Indian National Academy of Engineering (FNAE) and Indian National Academy of Sciences (FNASc). For his contributions, University of Roorkee (now IIT-Roorkee) and several other prestigious universities in India and overseas honored Dr.Khanna with Doctorate of Engineering (Honoris Causa)



Dr. Muttayya Koganuramath, University Librarian of Jawahar Lal Nehru University, New Delhi is nominated as Governing Board Member in June, 2006.



Dr. S B Majumdar, founder Director, Symbiosis, Pune is nominated as Governing Board Member in June, 2006.



Sh. Manoj Kumar K, the Acting Director of the Centre lighting the lamp during the inaugural session of the National Workshop on Empowering Librarianship in IT Applications at Smt. Hansa Mehta Library, MS University, Vadodara along with Registrar and University Librarian of the University.



INFLIBNET Staff with Indian Institute of Management Librarians during their visit to INFLIBNET Centre.

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52nd Training Programme on Installation and Operation of SOUL Software, held during 25th September to 29th September, 2006

**INDEPENDENCE DAY**



Sh. Manoj Kumar K, the then Acting Director of the Centre hoisting the flag at the Centre during the 60<sup>th</sup> Independence Day of the Country. Sh. D P Negi, Admin Officer (PA&F) and Sh. H G Hosamani, Scientist B of the Centre were also present.

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53rd Training Programme on Installation and Operation of SOUL Software, held during 09th October to 13th October, 2006

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54th Training Programme on Installation and Operation of SOUL Software, held during 27th November to 01st December, 2006