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### **Report of National Conference on Multidisciplinary Research, Trends and Approaches**

Two days National Conference on Multidisciplinary Research Trends and Approaches jointly organized by Shri Khushal Das University, Hanumangarh and Rajasthan Technical Library Association, Jaipur was inaugurated on 27th January 2024 at Shri Khushaldas University, Hanumangarh, Rajasthan on 27 and 28 January 2024.

More than 300 delegates including 50 research scholars, encompassing students, Library and Information Professionals, faculty members participated in the event.

The chief guest of the conference was ADM Hanumangarh, Dr. Dinesh Rai Sapela, Guest of honour was Jail superintendent, Hanumangarh, Shri Narendra Kumar Swami. The event was graced by dignitaries of S K D University, Hanumangarh, Chairperson, Dr. Dinesh Juneja, Vice chancellor Prof. Ratan Lal Godara, Registrar Dr. C M Rajoria, Director, R & D Dr. Shashi Marolia, Patron, RTLA, Dean, SKDU and Convener of this conference Dr. Rajkumar Bhakar, President, RTLA and Organizing Secretary Mr Qumar Abbas.

In his inaugural speech Professor Ratanlal Godara, Vice Chancellor of S K D University emphasized on the title of conference and its relevance with present context of information and communication technology era. He also defined the five fundamentals of life finance, friends and family, status, good deeds and best education which are the vision of S K D University. Mr. Dinesh Juneja, Chancellor of the University revealed the journey of SKD University from its establishment and imparting education to girls and boys of Hanumangarh district and nearby area. The convener of the conference and Patron of Rajasthan technical library Association Dr Rajkumar Bhakar discussed the role of development of library and information professional in changing dimension of information services in present digital age. He also briefed about the vision and mission of RTLA.

Conference Director Prof (Dr.) DV Singh, former University Librarian, Delhi University welcomed the gathering and highlighted the objectives of the Conference. He said that nearly 50 research papers are being presented in four scheduled sessions in the conference and about 300 participants were physically present on the venue of conference. Addition to this, an online session was planned for distance scholars to present their research article. He also highlighted the relevance of the conference for research scholars of various domain of knowledge, viz. humanities engineering social science medical management, in present context. He also urged to delegates take benefit of this national level conference. Executive Director Research and Development of S K D University, Dr. Shashi Maroliya discussed the research process at S K D University she also talked on enrollment in research degree. She

motivated scholars for Library search instead of google search. The inaugural session was concluded with the vote of thanks, presented by Organizing secretary Mr. Qumar Abbas.

During the first technical session, four invited talks and many research papers were presented. First talk by Dr. Narendra Chauhan, Associate Professor from GJUT Hisar on Open Source Resources and Plagiarism and its issues. He listed a number of open sources available on internet. He also discussed about plagiarism detection tools and its challenges and issues. Second invited talk was presented by Dr. Vinay Singh Kashyap. She talked about citation ethics and plagiarism. She focused upon the basic deference of similarity and plagiarism, how to cite work in text and why it is required? She said that there shall be no need of checking similarity if every research scholar or author follows code of conduct in the research. She also discussed about the tools and techniques viz. Zotero, Mendeley, Grammerly, Ref me, Endnote, Latex, Turnitin and Drill bit for research writing and checking similarity. The third talk was by Mr. Umesh Sharma on how to select research topic / question? He discussed on how Librarian can help scholars in Library search. The fourth talk was given by Prof R P Singh, Govt. College for Women, Narnaul, Haryana on research in English literature. He discussed with various example on the trends in ancient research and current research.

During First technical session, research papers presented by scholars and faculty on various topics as artificial intelligence based library services a sustainable approach to academic library, marketing of library services, resources and overview, open access publishing and academic libraries and overview of the current scenario in Rajasthan, The digital revolution a close look at innovation in library services, Unlocking the power of knowledge repositories impact of institutional ranking and accredits process, Current and future challenges research trends in present era.

In second technical Session, papers presented on the mapping of research productivity of the North East Regional Institute of Education, NCERT: A bibliometric Analysis, Study of the use of E-resources by faculty members of SBN PG College, Jaipur, Practice of Quality research paper: Some steps and guidelines, navigating the digital landscape: A comparative Analysis of Traditional and Electronic Reading Practices in Engineering education, a bird eye's view of Electronic Resources of India, important Obstacles during Research for the Beginners, advantage of being the ABC identification system in higher education. The session was concluded with vote of thanks.

During, third session of the Conference, Special Invited talk was delivered by Dr. Bhoop Singh, Librarian, Bhartiya Skill Development University Jaipur on the topic of artificial intelligence tools for research scholars. He discussed on the various research assistant tools like Bibliographic Tools, Journal Finder tools, Literature mapping tools, Reference management tools, Anti Plagiarism Tools, Research Visibility tools. Second talk was delivered by Dr. Vinita Chauhan Assistant Librarian, Shri Karan Narendra Agriculture University on the challenges of early career researchers. She highlighted on the do's and don'ts in Research. The third talk was delivered by Dr. Mukesh Pathak, Deputy Librarian, School of Planning and Architecture Bhopal on research data citation and management. He briefed about raw data and its reuse and data management of data sets in research. Next invited talk was presented by Shobhagyawati Gupta, Senior Assistant Librarian Central University of Rajasthan on Research Support Services by University Library and LIS professionals. Various papers on different domain like information communication services in library access to children with special needs, Sustainable development goals in India, Importance of Library Networks in India were presented in this session. The fourth session was the online session. The paper presenters were from Rajasthan as well as across the country.

In the valedictory session, Dr. Arun Kumar, Vice Chancellor of Swami Keshwanand Agriculture University, Bikaner said that research plays a significant role in accreditations as well as the competitiveness of the university, which ultimately enables it to attract top talent in terms of both students and faculty. After New Education Policy, Multidisciplinary research can solve many of the major challenges effective research being faced in the decade. This cooperative and coordinated research requires the unified effort of experts from different disciplines.

Prof Kumar also clarion call to Librarian that Libraries can also lift their institutions to a higher plane of multidisciplinary collaboration by leveraging their place in higher education to become the hub of multidisciplinary activity, where librarians foster innovative models of teaching, learning, research, conversation, reflection, and engagement.

On this occasion, Rajasthan Technical Library Association also awarded some awards to those who have given the excellent services in the Library science and its services. This includes RTLA Best Technical Librarian Award 2021 to Dr. D R Bhinchar, Librarian, Swami Keshavanand Institute of Technology and Management, RTLA Best Technical Librarian Award 2022 to Dr. Neetu Gujran, Librarian, Birla Institute of Engineering and Technology Pilani and RTLA Best Technical Librarian Award 2023 was awarded to Dr. Mukesh Pathak, Deputy Librarian, School of Planning and Architecture, Bhopal.

Apart from this, RTLA Maharatna Award 2013 was awarded to Dr. Rajkumar Bhakar, Associate Professor, SKD University Hanumangarh, while RTLA Vibhushan Award 2015 was given to Prof. (Dr). DV Singh, Former University Librarian, Delhi University.

On this occasion appreciation award to Ms. Sobhagyawati Gupta, Sr Assistant Librarian, Central University of Rajasthan, Dr. Vinay Singh Kashyap, Assistant Librarian, University's College, SKNA University, Jobner and Prof R P Singh, Govt. College for Women, Narnaul, Haryana were awarded during the National Conference.

Dr. Sanjay Mishra, Dean of student's welfare proposed the vote of thanks and wished everyone a great time ahead. He assured us to continue holding such academic gatherings and talks in the future on different topics of high importance in the Research and Development.

The overall the conference was achieved successfully the goal. Ms. Sangeeta Panwar and Dr. Lalita Tyagi moderated the stage during the conference.



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