National Seminar

on

Knowledge Management In Libraries: Issues and Challenges

(KML- 2018)

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Organized by:

Department of Library and Information Science
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Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh

Venue:

Conference Hall,

Faculty of Social Sciences,

Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh
About Aligarh Muslim University

Having established in 1920, Aligarh Muslim University (AMU) is recognized as one of the oldest and premier central government funded universities in India and has been designated as an Institution of National importance (Seventh Schedule, Article 246 of the Indian Constitution). It has recently been awarded grade ‘A’ by the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC). Historically, the University was evolved out of the Mohammedan Anglo-Oriental College (MAO College), which was set up by the great visionary and social reformer, Sir Syed Ahmad Khan in 1877. From its very inception, Aligarh Muslim University (AMU) draws students from all corners of the country as well as foreign countries, especially Africa, West Asia and Southeast Asia, irrespective of religion, caste and creed. Today, the University occupies a unique position amongst all the universities and institutions of higher learning in the country. The University has been ranked among the best educational institutions in India. According to Times Higher Education Asia Ranking 2014, AMU was ranked 3rd among all Universities in India. It Ranked 50th among top 100 institutions of higher learning in BRICS grouping-2014 and 5th in The Week-Hansa Research (Best Universities Survey) 2014. Recently, the Aligarh Muslim University (AMU) has been ranked 2nd Best University of India as per new ranking released by the U.S. News & World Report on their list of overall best global universities rankings.

About the Department

The foundation of the Department of Library Science was laid way back in 1950-51 with the introduction of a ‘Certificate Course in Library Science’, by the then University Librarian, (Late) Padmashree Prof. S. Bashiruddin, who later on introduced a one year ‘Bachelor of Library Science’ course in 1958-59 with full time Lecturers for the first time in the country. Subsequently, ‘Master of Library Science’ was introduced in 1970-71 and Ph.D in 1990-91. The Department had taken a pioneering step by introducing Library Science as a subsidiary subject for the students of B.A. since 1986-87. The nomenclature of the Department as well as of the titles of the various courses offered along with their contents had been revising to incorporate changing dimensions of the subject. A special feature of the revised syllabi is the emphasis on Information Technology and hands-on training on a number of commercial and open source library automation software packages. A well-equipped computer lab consisting of about 25 systems, a server and LCD projectors etc., supports the revised syllabi with round the clock Internet facility. The seminar library of the department was automated as the first fully automated library of the university in 2004. The department has had the distinction of completing a number of DST and UGC major research projects by designing and developing L.I.S. Subject Gateway (www.lisgateway.com), I.T. Subject Gateway (http://www.itsubjectgateway.info/) and E-Learning portal (http://lislearning.in/).

Under the UGC’s Programme, the Department was awarded Special Assistance Programme SAP (DRS-I) in the financial year 2013-2014 for five years. The theme of the project is Knowledge Management in Libraries with Prof. Shabahat Husain as its Coordinator and Prof. Naushad Ali. P.M as its Dy. Coordinator.

During the Ist phase of SAP (2013-2018), the Department has organised two conferences, published two books, and number of articles related to the project have been published in national and international journals. The department also designed and developed a KM Portal (http://libraryknowledgemanagement.org) which was launched in May 2017. Besides, a video conferencing lab has been established, which will be used to tap the tacit knowledge and to interact with the renowned KM experts across the globe. The following work is in progress to fulfill the objectives of the sanctioned project:

1. Conservation and Preservation of both explicit and tacit (unrecorded) knowledge in the field of Library and Information Science by creating an Institutional Repository.
2. More content being enriched to the existing KM portal http://libraryknowledgemanagement.org
3. E-Content in the form of Video Lectures and Online course materials is being developed and uploaded

As a byproduct of SAP, the present conference is being organised in the area of Knowledge Management in Libraries discussing its issues and challenges (KML).
**Introduction to the Seminar**

Although KM was emerged as a business strategy in the corporate sector organizations for harnessing their knowledge resources to survive in the highly competitive environment due globalization of economy, but today KM is being applied in all types of organization including libraries. The success of an organization is increasingly dependent on its ability to generate, share and utilize knowledge. KM, with its potential to capitalize an organization’s intellectual capital, is viewed as a planned and structured approach to manage the creation, sharing, discovering and leveraging of knowledge to enhance an organization’s ability, speed and effectiveness in delivering products or services.

KM is a growing field of great interest to Library & Information Science (LIS) professionals, as they possess the necessary skills to work in the field. KM provides an opportunity by entrusting new roles and responsibilities for libraries and LIS professionals. One of the important objectives of adopting KM in libraries is to turn libraries and information centres into learning and knowledge sharing organizations by linking libraries and LIS professionals together and creating a flow of knowledge generated by LIS professionals. Thus, the ultimate aim is innovation and reuse of the knowledge. Innovation is closely linked to the generation of new knowledge or new linkages between existing knowledge, while reuse forms the basis for organizational learning through discovery and networking of knowledge.

This seminar is being organized to help LIS professionals to understand the major issues and challenges in the implementation of KM in libraries and information centres The seminar will bring together academics, researchers, library practitioners and eminent scholars in the field of KM to share their knowledge and experiences and explore the solutions to the problems that are faced by the LIS professionals in the implementation of knowledge management in libraries.

**Main theme of the conference:** Knowledge Management in Libraries: Issues and Challenges

**Conference themes:**

- Knowledge Management
- Knowledge Management and Innovative Management
- Knowledge management systems
- Knowledge Management and Web 2.0/Web 3.0
- Emerging Web Technologies and Applications of Social networking and Knowledge Management
- Issues and Challenges of Knowledge Management

**Who should participate?**

The conference would provide opportunities to meet and hear from library professionals, leaders and information scientists in all types of environments particularly from libraries and information centers across the globe, some of the categories are:

- Academic fraternity in teaching, learning and research
- Library and Information Science professionals
- Information Technology professionals
- Research scholars and students
- Information scientists
- All stakeholder’s of Knowledge Management
Conference Timeline
Submission of full Papers/Abstracts: 26th March, 2018

Conference Date: 27-28 March, 2018

Registration Fees
Category | Fee
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For Students and Research Scholars: | Rs. 500/-
For working Professionals: | Rs. 1000/-
For Sponsored Professionals: | Rs. 2000/-

The Registration Fees will include conference kit, meals, refreshment, etc. The duly filled-in Registration Form along with Demand Draft (DD) in favour of “Convener KML-2018” payable at AMU, Aligarh, may be sent on the following address on or before 26th March, 2018.

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