INFLIBNET Newsletter

Inside

Editorial Board

Published by

From Director's Desk

Dear Friends,

The New Year 1999 has started with a good note for the INFLIBNET with a number of new initiatives. We had our annual event CALIBER at Nagpur held in collaboration with Nagpur University. This was yet another successful CALIBER, with well over 200 attendees and 63 technical papers. During this event, we were able to show our initial effort in designing and development of SOUL Software and the Search Engines. We have received an encouraging response from the participants.

Coinciding this event, a meeting to review the progress made by the university libraries in their automation work was held. It is gratifying to note that our participant libraries are slowly catching up with the changing trend. To add the value to information services provided by INFLIBNET to the participating libraries, we have decided to subscribe to the OCLC's First-Search Service covering large number of databases.

In the coming few months, we will be intensifying our efforts towards giving final shape to SOUL Software and VSAT based network. We are confident that with the continued support from the UGC and with the enthusiastic participation from the university libraries, we will continue to grow steadily

Pramod Kumar
Director

CALLIBER - 99

INFLIBNET Centre has been organizing National Convention CALIBER every year (since 1994) in different parts of the country in collaboration with different universities. The main aim of CALIBER is to provide a unique forum to the library professionals, information providers and users involved in automation and networking of libraries to come together and interact on subjects of mutual interest.

Having held the earlier conventions at Ahmedabad, Hyderabad, Vadodra, Patiala and Bhubaneswar, it was time to hold the CALIBER-99 in the central part of the country. Therefore, INFLIBNET chose a premier institution i.e. Nagpur University. This Sixth National Convention in the series, was held in collaboration with University Library, Nagpur University, Nagpur during February 18-20, 1999 coinciding with the platinum jubilee celebrations of the university. The main theme of the convention was *'Academic Libraries in the INTERNET Era'*.

The inaugural session was held on 18th February 1999 afternoon at the Vasantrao Deshpande Memorial Hall. Dr. B.B. Chopane, Vice-Chancellor, Nagpur University presided over the function. Dr. P.S.G. Kumar, the Organizing Secretary extended a warm welcome to all the participants, invitees and dignitaries on the dias on behalf of the university and the library. Shri Pramod Kumar, Director, INFLIBNET, gave a brief overview of the objectives, functions and achievements of INFLIBNET. He also explained in brief the role played by INFLIBNET Centre in the field of automation, software development, human resource development, development of union databases, networking, evolution of bibliographic standards, CALIBER conventions, information services and proposed VSAT network and other future programmes. Prof. Yogendra Kale introduced the Nagpur University and its contributions to the gathering. Dr. A.S. Satuputaley spoke about the on-going Platinum Jubilee celebrations of the university. Prof. E. Rama Reddy, Chairman, Programme Committee of CALIBER-99 explained the importance of the theme, sub themes and sessions chosen.

Prof. Yash Pal, National Research Professor and Chairman of the Governing Board of INFLIBNET Centre was the Chief Guest. He formally inaugurated the convention by lighting the lamp. During his half an hour scintillating talk, he cautioned that we may get too enthusiastic about technological developments and forget to look at real things. Throughout his talk he emphasised that, Information technology should have human face and must be used to the welfare of mankind. He further suggested that while we move ahead in technological excellence, we should also know where we are heading. Later Prof. N. Balakrishnan, Chairman, Super Computer Education and Research Centre, Indian Institute of Science gave a stimulating and thoughtful keynote address on 'Internet and Digital Libraries'. He stressed that networking of people and not networking of computers, that is going to help mankind. He also said that the tremendous growth of information technology had broken the barriers of space, time and democratization. This was possible due to accessibility and ability to solve common problems by computer technology. During his address, the focus was mainly on challenges before the librarians with this emerging technology. He indicated that there is a greater role for the librarians than ever before. In his presidential address, Dr. Chopane said, Information Technology should reach out to the poor sections of society and there is greater need for gearing up the universities to meet the challenges of the Twenty First century. The inaugural function ended with a vote of thanks by Dr. P.S.G. Kumar, Organizing Secretary, CALIBER-99.

Compared to the previous conventions, the Sixth convention attracted more number of participants. More than 200 participants representing various academic and research organisations in the

country took part in this convention. It was also attended by number of information providers, vendors and library science teachers. In all 63 papers were presented. These papers covered entire gamut of Internet and its application in libraries. Good number of papers had case studies as well. The five theme papers dwelt in length and breadth with different aspects of organisation of Internet, the information, research available therein. For the convenience, all the papers were classified in following five logical sessions.

1. Academic Libraries and Access to INTERNET and INTRANETS.

2. Information sources on the INTERNET for Higher Education and Research.

3. INTERNET and Web Search Engines.

4. Developing Library Websites

5. Education and Training for INTERNET.

Each session began with an invited theme paper. Papers were presented in parallel sessions and reports of the same were presented by their respective Chairpersons in joint sessions on both the days. This method helped in discussing various facets of Internet threadbare, enabling, the delegates at the same time to have total perception of the deliberations. The sessions were chaired by the distinguished professionals and assisted by competent Rapporteurs. Dr. A.R. Sethi, Rapporteur General of the Convention, University Librarian, Panjab University, Chandigarh gave precise and to-the-point issues which emerged out of the papers presented and deliberation there on.

Based on papers presented, the discussions and deliberations, following resolutions were presented by Dr. Sethi and the same were approved unanimously by the entire house gathered at the closing ceremony .

1. Considering the growing role, importance and utility of the Internet in influencing the intellectual and physical well-being of all sections of the academic community, the Sixth Convention of CALIBER-99 recommends that *"Access to INTERENT be taken up by the INFLIBNET / UGC as the area of top priority and that to being with, each University Library in the Country be provided with independent V-SAT, along with its accessories"*.

2. Taking cognisance of the fact that content relating to India is lacking on the INTERNET, the convention calls upon the INFLIBNET *"to identify Libraries and Information Centers with sources of information relating to India, and to encourage and enable them to input the same on INTRANETS and INTERNET, after creating Web-sites and appropriate search engines"*.

3. Recognizing the key-role of education and training in imparting necessary skills in handling information in its new formats, the Convention recommends to the INFLIBNET *"to identify select Library and Information Science Departments in different parts of the country for the purpose of providing them the necessary infrastructure to educate and train the novice and the existing staff in the technique of handling information technology"*.

4. Emphasizing the fact that Libraries and Information Genters exist to serve the community, this Convention calls upon them *"to initiate programms for educating their users in making effective and purposeful use of electronic media, including the INTERNET, for accessing information of their interest and choice"*.

5. Expressing concern over the non-provision of recurring grants to such university libraries which were initially provided with grants to modernize themselves, this convention calls upon the

INFLIBNET/UGC *"to make provision for annual grants to maintain their existing infrastructure and to add on to the same to remain up-to-date."*

A salient feature of the convention was the special lecture delivered by Dr. T.H. Choudhary, Information & Technology Advisor to Governmnet of Andhra Pradesh, who gave a panoramic view of information syndrome on the national scene in general and Andhra Pradesh in particular, providing us all a peep in to the minds of our policy makers about matters informational.

Another attractive feature of this convention was the demonstration of INFLIBNET developed Library Automation Software called **SOUL (Software for University Libraries) and Search Engines** to access union databases over the Internet. Participants in large number visited the stall and took active part in operating the SOUL and offered valuable suggestions.

The concluding session was chaired by Prof. E. Rama Reddy, the Chairman of the Programme Committee. The programme ended with vote of thanks by Shri S.M. Salgar, INFLIBNET Centre to all the participants for their active participations, the Organising Secretary Prof. Kumar, his colleagues and authorities of the Nagpur University for successfully hosting of the Sixth Convention. ∎

UGC-INFLIBNET REVIEW MEETING

The meeting of the Review Committee to assess the progress made by the universities covered under the INFLIBNET Programme was held on 17th and 18th February 1999 at Nagpur coinciding with CALIBER-99. This is an annual exercise carried out by INFLIBNET with an objective to understand the problems faced by participating universities in automation, networking, database creation and other related work and also assess the actual progress taking place. Like the previous years, detailed questionnaire, requesting to provide information about various activities carried out by the respective universities was sent during November 1998, to 87 universities of 105, funded till 1997-98. The remaining 18 universities were not covered for the review, since they were funded only in October 1998, and they needed some more time to begin the process. Only 80 out of 87university responded, inspite of sending the questionnaire almost three months in advance and after reminding several times.

The information furnished by the 80 universities and subsequent updates provided by 36 librarians(out of the 49 invited), who attended the review meeting at Nagpur, has been analysed and presented here in the tabular form. The review meeting was held in three different sessions covering 16 out of 54 libraries funded till 1995-96, 15 funded during 96-97, and 18 libraries funded during 1997-98. This change was introduced mainly to focus on the issues and problems, and also give sufficient time to librarians to make presentations. INFLIBNET could not invite all the librarians from the earlier 54 universities to the review meeting at Nagpur. The reason being paucity of funds to meet the expenses towards attending the meeting. Also there were good number of libraries who had made substantial progress and some did not take much initiative. Therefore it was thought that their attending the review meeting would not have helped much. Hence, only those libraries, who are doing good progress, but are facing problems, were invited to the meeting.

The presentations by the librarians and the intensive discussions held there after helped to understand the problems faced by them. This meeting was chaired by the Director along with senior officials of INFLIBNET and an Official from UGC. Shri Pramod Kumar, Director, INFLIBNET took this opportunity to explain to the librarians how important was the task of automation and creation of database in view of proposed VSAT network. He also advised the universities to fill up the post of Information Scientist. The status of the automation and issues emerging from the data furnished by the 80 universities and discussion held

during the review meeting has been presented below :

Procurement of Computer systems

Status of Computer Systems	87 universities funded till 97-98
Systems procured and Commissioned	68
Under Procurement	12
Not responded	7

The above table shows that, out of 87 libraries funded in 1997-98, only 68 have acquired the suggested computer systems and 12 are in the process of acquiring the same. The rest did not respond to the questionnaire and participate in the review.

Database Creation Activity

Status of database Development	87 universities funded till 97-98
More than 30,000 records	30
Records ranging from 15,000-30,000	7
Records ranging from 5,000-15,000	12
Records less than 5000	22
No action taken	9
Not responded	7

It is seen from the above table that thirty universities have made substantial progress in the database activity. Out of these thirty, following have done commendable job and created more than one lakh records of books, serials and theses.

- Annamalai University
- University of Hyderabad
- Jadavpur University
- Jawaharlal Nehru University
- Karnatak University
- Kurukshetra University
- Nagpur University
- Osmania University
- Punjab University

- SNDT Women's University
- Sardar Patel University

There are nine libraries who did not take any initiatives to create databases. Some more universities viz. Andhra, Roorkee have created the databases with more than 50,000 records, seven universities have created records between five to fifteen thousand and 22 have less than 5000 records.

Networking Facilities

Status of Network connection	87 universities
VSNL	28
INET	23
ERNET	27
NICNET	14
SIRNET	1
Under process	11
No action	9

In absence of INFLIBNET's own network facility, the member libraries have been advised to have dedicated telephone line in the library with STD facility and subscribe to data networks depending upon the availability. In the above table some universities have access to more than one network

Recruitment of 'Information Scientist'

Keeping in view the requirements of a skilled person for implementing this programme, recruitment of an 'Information Scientist' has been proposed for each university. The UGC has committed to provide funding to take care of the actual salary of this post for five years. Progress made in this direction is presented in the following table.

Status of Recruitment	87 universities funded till 97-98
Recruited	17
Under process	21
No action taken	42
Not responded	7

The above data reveals that, only 17 libraries out of 87, have been able to fill up the post of 'Information Scientist', and 21 are in the process of filling up this position. As the recruitment requires prior clearance from respective State Governments to absorb the post after UGC support ceases, this process is taking longer time than expected. Remaining 47 libraries are yet to take appropriate steps to fill the position.

Library Automation Software

In the absence of availability of a suitable Library Automation Software at an affordable cost, 46 universities have continued to use CDS/ISIS software and 14 have not initiated any action and rest are either using commercially developed softwares or are using inhouse developed software.

The information provides brief overview of the major areas of automation and networking supported by the INFLIBNET. Some of the major issues that emerged from the review have been presented below:

1. Support to upgrade the systems procured by universities funded till 1996-97 to use newly developed software.

2. Most of the librarians expressed their keen interest in getting the VSAT connectivity at the earliest for the university library.

3. Urgency of getting an Integrated Library Automation Software for the automation of library functions.

4. Timely release of recurring grant to support the automation work in the participating libraries.

5. Clear guidelines for recruitment of Information Scientist post from the UGC and providing the salary from the date of appointment.

6. Creation of the qualitative databases using INFLIBNET suggested standards has not taken place at most of the universities although CDS/ISIS software and standards were made available.

7. Inspite of providing the required grants to get STD telephone line and subscribe to data network, quite a few universities have not done so.

8. Many universities expressed that they have difficulties in getting the clearance from state government to absorb the 'Information Scientist' post after five years.

9. Training in newly developed software called SOUL is required before installation.

10. Local Area Network on the university campus to provide access to the Library databases is essential.

11. Seven universities are yet to procure the systems. They have been funded in the second phase. They need to take necessary step urgently

List of universities not responded :

1. Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh.
2. Bhagalpur University, Bhagalpur.
3. BRA Agra University, Agra.
4. Delhi University, Delhi.
5. Ranchi University, Ranchi.
6. Rashtriya Sanskrit Vidyapith., Delhi
7. Vikram University, Ujjain.

Theses universities are requested to take more initiative.

■

INFLIBNET Subscribes to OCLC's FirstSearch Service

The On-line Computer Library Centre Inc. is a not-for-profit largest leading network and bibliographic utillity for libraries in the world, linking more than 26,000 libraries from 64 countries. The OCLC offers number of services to its member users over the network. The prominent and highly used ones are union catalogues, ILL and First Search Service. In the recent past, OCLC has introduced number of new services over the Internet , making available services cheaper, faster and widely available.

FirstSearch is an economically priced on-line bibliographic service that offers a comprehensive collection of over 75 databases and includes links to the WWW. It offers online full text, document delivery, library holdings and Inter-Library-Loan services. There is no charge for database connect time, record displays, record printing or record delivery by email. The databases covered are the ones that are highly used and important ones from the academic and research point of view. These 75 databases represent all major areas. The list of prominent databases are given at the end.

The INFLIBNET which aims to supplement the existing information services in the country in a cost-effective manner, has recently started helping universities by subscribing to OCLC's FirstSearch Service. This service enables INFLIBNET to provide the FirstSearch Service to all its funded universities, to begin with in an off-line mode. The user of library will have to send the request for literature search along with keywords etc. to the INFLIBNET. INFLIBNET will access the databases, conduct the search and download the records and send it to the requested libraries. Only requests routed through the libraries will be accepted. Charges are born by INFLIBNET to begin with. It may please be noted that, only bibliographical information will be provided under this service and will be restricted to the databases covered through this service. This service is launched on an experimental basis by the INFLIBNET.

Some of the important databases of the total 75 covered under the FirstSearch Service are given below:

- ABI/INFORM
- AGRICOLA
- Applied Science & Technology Abstracts
- Art Abstracts
- Arts & Humanities Search
- BasicBIOSIS
- Biography Index
- Education Abstracts
- Environmental Sciences & Pollution Management with abstracts
- General Science Abstracts
- GeoRef(Brief Records)
- Humanities Abstracts
- Index to Legal Periodicals & Books
- INSPEC
- Library Literature
- MEDLINE
- MLA Bibliography
- OCLC ArticleFirst
- OCLC ContentsFirst
- OCLC Online FirstSearch Electronic Collections
- OCLC NetFirst
- OCLC PaperFirst
- OCLC ProceedingFirst
- OCLC Union Lists of Periodicals
- Periodical Abstracts
- Readers' Guide Abstracts
- Social Sciences Abstracts
- WorldCat(the OCLC Online Union Catalog)

For further information you may please write at the following address :

Library and Information Services
Information and Library Network Centre
Gujarat University Campus,Post Box No. 4116, Navrangpura, Ahmedabad – 380 009.
Phone : 079 – 6308528, 6305971, 6304695
Fax   : 079 – 6300990
E-mail : infoser@inflibnet.ernet.in
URL   : http://www.inflibnet.ernet.in/ ■

UNION CATALOGUE OF SECONDARY SERIALS

INFLIBNET has recently brought out 'Union Catalogue of Secondary Serials'. The catalogue has 337 unique titles of secondary serials *viz.* Abstracting, Indexing, Current Awareness Bulletins, Book Reviews etc. Of these, 99 titles are subscribed in CD-ROM form. The data covered has been contributed by 106 universities out of 229, to whom the request letters were sent. This handy catalogue has been prepared with a view to facilitate resource sharing among the university libraries, which is one of the major objectives of INFLIBNET.

The printed copy of this catalogue has been sent to librarians of all the universities in the country. The same data with latest updates can be accessed over the Internet through INFLIBNET Website at http://www.inflibnet.ernet.in.

■

WORKSHOP REPORT

The Fifth Workshop on Automation and Networking of University Libraries under INFLIBNET Programme was held from 4th to 10th January, 1999 at the INFLIBNET Centre, Ahmedabad. This workshop in a way was similar to the fourth workshop held during 3rd to 9th August, 1998 as it was conducted exclusively for the Heads of the libraries of the 18 universities who have been funded under INFLIBNET Programme during 1998-99.

The workshop was inaugurated by Shri. Pramod Kumar, Director of INFLIBNET Centre. In his inaugural address he highlighted the importance of workshop and requested the librarians to come forward and enthusiastically participate in the implementation of INFLIBNET. Shri. S.M. Salgar, a senior person in the Centre gave the details about the programme and its purposes. This workshop was divided into two divisions i.e. Lecture/ presentation and practical demonstrations, and hands-on sessions.

The interesting part of this workshop was the presentations made by each participant highlighting the activities and services of his/her library and the expectations from the INFLIBNET. The emphasis was on practical aspects and problem solving through active interaction between the INFLIBNET Centre staff, invited experts and the participants. There were number of issues on which discussions were held which were directly relevant to the implementation of INFLIBNET Programme.

A number of experts were invited to deliver the lectures, besides the INFLIBNET staff who acted as resource persons. This workshop was found effective in building up rapport between INFLIBNET and the participating university libraries. During this workshop, a number of decisions have been taken with the mutual discussion to effectively execute the programme. It is expected that by middle of this year, all these 18 universities funded this year would begin their automation activities particularly database creation.

This workshop was conducted as a part of Human Resource Development activity of the INFLIBNET. This was fifth in the series of the workshops conducted so far. Besides, INFLIBNET Centre has also conducted 17 intensive training programmes (of four weeks duration each) for the staff members working in different university libraries in the country. All these courses and workshops have been received well by the universities and found to be effective in automation and networking activities.

■

ON-SITE TRAINING

INFLIBNET staff conducted an On-site Training at Sambalpur University Library, Sambalpur from 6th

to 12th March. This was held as a part of the On-site Training Programmes that INFLIBNET has been conducting for the libraries. Training focused on operating systems, CDS/ISIS, database creation work, understanding standards and formats etc. Entire staff members from this university got the benefit of the week long intensive training. Sambalpur University has been funded during 1996-97 financial year and has acquired the computer systems very recently.

■

VISITOR TO INFLIBNET

Dr.(Ms.) Chandra Prabha, Senior Research Fellow OCLC, Ohio, USA, visited INFLIBNET Centre from January 1-2, 1999. During her three days visit, Dr. Chandra Prabha acquainted herself with the INFLIBNET Programme and had discussions with the Director and other staff members on wide ranging areas of interest to INFLIBNET and OCLC. Her visit to INFLIBNET benefited the staff in understanding how OCLC has grown in to a largest library network in the world.

■

INFLIBNET-ADINET Lecture

INFLIBNET in collaboration with Ahmedabad Library Network organised a lecture by Dr.(Ms.)Chandra Prabha, a Senior Research Fellow from Online Computer Library Centre, Dublin, Ohio, USA on January 1, 1999. The lecture was held in the Lecture Hall at Physical Research Laboratory, Ahmedabad. During her one hour lecture, Dr. Chandra Prabha gave an overview of OCLC, its activities and services. She also briefly mentioned about OCLC's on-going research projects and shared her experience as researcher at OCLC. More than 90 Librarians from the city of Ahmedabad attended the lecture. Shri Pramod Kumar, Director, INFLIBNET chaired the session and Shri S.R. Thakore, Hon. Director, ADINET proposed vote-of-thanks.

UNIVERSITY LIBRARY PROFILE

Gujarat Vidyapith Library

Gujarat Vidyapith is the first institute of its kind founded by Mahatama Gandhi in 1920 as a National Institute of University Education in the wake of non-cooperation movement. The institute imparts higher education with an integrated system of education, teaching from the nursery to the Doctorate level. It became deemed to be a university under UGC act 1956 in the year 1963. The main objective of the Vidhyapith is to prepare workers of character, ability, culture and dedication for the conduct of movements connected with the regeneration of country in accordance with the ideals given by Mahatma Gandhi.

The education system of Vidyapith includes regular participation in community work, residential life, social service, community prayers, simple and self reliant living, study tours and field studies, hand spinning and training in craft work.

Library

Vidyapith has one of the richest libraries in the state of Gujarat. It has rich collection of books, manuscripts, non-book materials on Indian history, civilisation, freedom struggle, humanities and social science. The library has large collection of literature on Gandhi and is providing facilities for higher education , research scholars and other users. It has separate section for Gandhian Studies and Thought. This section has all the literature on Gandhi in different forms, including photographs, audio tapes and documents in different languages. The library has the microfilm copies of the journals viz. Navjivan , Young India , Indian Opinion and Harijan Bandhu edited by The Father of Nation Mahatama Gandhi. The collection of 105 selected photographs depicting Gandhi's life further enriched the library.

Main campus of library is in Ahmedabad. It has two new libraries in different campuses at Randheja and Sarda. Total collection of books in the library including branch libraries is more than 473955 titles, and it subscribes to 550 periodicals and 24 dailies . The collection includes 691 manuscripts, 828 maps and charts, 100 video cassettes, 47 records, 130 audio cassettes, 39 16 mm files , 1911 slides , 116 microforms , 154 photographs and 360 film scripts.

Library remains open from Monday to Sunday except public holidays. The reading room of the library remains open 364 days in a year.

Copy Right Section

From the year 1947, Gujarat Vidyapith got the responsibility to acquire all the books published in Gujarati and published in Gujarat under Press and Regulation Act 1986. This helped the Vidyapith to build up good collection in regional languages. At present library has total collection of 7882 Gujarati titles published before 1900. The Library has received old books from Royal Asiatic Society , Mumbai and selected Gujarati , Hindi and English books donated by Raja Ram Mohan Roy Library Foundation , Calcutta. These have been kept in different section

Services

Library provides its services to students, research scholars, staff and faculty members of the institute. It has been providing reference services, photocopy service, Inter -Library Loan, content of Journals and bringing out various publications. Library prepares bibliography on demand. So far it has prepared 103 bibliographies. Some of important bibliographies prepared by libraries are Tapas Nibandh Suchi, Gujarati Samayik Suchi , and Hastprat Suchi

The library publishes bi-monthly bulletin GRANTH VRUTTA. It gives information about new additions added in the libraries, outstanding reading materials, and other library activities. The Department of Library and Information Science , which conducts the courses leading up to Ph D degree is housed in the library.

Library Automation

Library initially started its automation works in 1987 with the help of Vidyapith's Computer Centre and later from the support from INFLIBNET. It has converted all the bibliographic records of books in machine readable form. The databases have been created by using in house DBMS software, (Sybase) as back end and APT as front end. The software has all important modules viz. Acquisition , Serial Control, Circulation , and OPAC. By using this software library has entered 4, 700, 00 records of books , 5,200, members, 500 serials and 69 records of Theses.

The financial assistance given under INFLIBNET programme strengthened the automation activity. Library has now an Information Scientist who looks after automation work and has set up LAN within the library with 10 nodes to access the library catalogue OPAC

INTERNET

Access to INTERNET has been providing internet access facility to the students. This service is being extensively used to search information on the topics of interest. INFLIBNET has developed a web page of Vidyapith giving academic information . This has been hosted on INFLIBNET web server.

Future Plans

Vidyapith library has an ambitious plan to prepare the library for the Twenty First Century to dissiminate the information about Gandhi's contribution. The Library being unique in its collection and located in the heart of city has been using the expertise of INFLIBNET and is committed to provide better service to its user by modernising all the functions the library. The dedicated and enthusiastic staff, under the guidance of a dynamic and able librarian, has set out the priorities to improve the quality of existing records in the database and thereby improving the service

■

ARTICLES ALERT

1. Chowdhury G.G.. Internet and information retrieval research : a brief review. *Journal of Documentation*. Vol. 55. No.1 (March) 1999 pp 209-225.

2. Cox John. Building an academic community around the Journal: A glimpse of the future. *Serials*. Vol.12, No 1, (March) 1999. pp. 21-25

3. Ellis David and Ana Ranganathan Vasconcelos. and the Net : Using facet analysis to search and organise the World Wide Web. *Aslib Proceedings*. Vol.51 No.1 January 1999. pp 3-10.

4. Friend Federick J. Changing the financial model for libraries. *Serials*. Vol.12, No 1, (March) 1999. pp. 7-11

5. Gould Sara. IFLA World Directory of National Union Catalogue. *Serials*. Vol.12, No 1, (March) 1999. pp.51-53

6. Higgins Suzanne Wilson. Value of the subscription agent in changing financial mode. *Serials* Vol.12, No 1, (March) 1999. pp.13-16.

7. Perez Ernest. MARCing time with Library Datafiles. *Database*. Vol. 22, No. 1, (Feburary/ March) 1999. pp.-79-82

8. Richester Maxine and Volkkari Pertti. International LIS Research: A comparison of national trends. *IFLA Journal*. Vol. 24 , No. 4, 1998. pp. -166-175

9. Rowbotham Jublie. Librarian – architects of future. *Aslib Proceedings*. Vol. 51, No.2 (February) 1999 pp.-59-63.

10. Willer Mirna. Formats and cataloguing rules : developments for cataloguing electronic resources. *Program*, Vol 33 No.1, (January) 1999, pp 41-55.

11. Winkworth Ian. Hylib : the hybrid library of the future. *The Electronic Library*, Vol.17. No.1 (February) 1999. pp 17-20.

12. Young Peter R.. Measurement of Electronic Services in Libraries: Statistics for the degital age. *IFLA Journal*. Vol. 24 , No. 4, 1998. pp -157-160

All the journals listed above are subscribed in the INFLIBNET Centre and the articles could be delivered on request.

■

MAJOR WEB SITES

Social Science Sources on the Internet

1. Social Science Resources on Net
    http://www.socsciresearch.com/r2.html

2. Social Science Data Resources
    http://www.library.nwu.edu/data/links.html

3. Social Science Information Gateway
    http://sosig.esrc.bris.ac.uk/

4. ICPSR Data Archive
    http://www.icpsr.umich.edu/archive1.html

5. Electronic Journal of Sociology
    http://www.sociology.org

6. Psych Web+
    http://www.psych-web.com/

7. Galaxy: Social Sciences
    http://galaxy.einet.net/galaxy/Social-Sciences.html

8. Virtual Library: Social Sciences
    http://vlib.stanford.edu/SocialSciences.html

9. UNESCO: Most Clearing House
    http://www.unesco.org/most/

10. American Sociological Association
    http://www.asanet.org/

NEW STAFF

1. INFLIBNET welcomes Mr. Yatrik Patel, who joined as Scientist-B in Computer Division. Prior to this he was working as Scientific Technical Officer- 1 in the same division.

2. INFLIBNET community welcomes Mr. S.K Sharma, who joins as Scientist-B in Computer Division. Prior to joining the Centre, he served in Electronic Service and Training Centre (UNDP) project at Ramnager, Nainital, UP.

■

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

1. The Twenty Second All India Conference of IASLIC from Dec.28-31, 1999 will be hosted by the Library Science and Manuscriptology Department, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar University, Agra. The main theme of the conference is **"Information Management in the context of fast emerging Information Soceity**. For details write to General Secretary, IASLIC, P-291, CIT Scheme No.6M, Knakurgachi, Calcutta – 700 054
email : sadatta@indiax.com

2. National Convention on Library and Information Networking (NACLIN 99) from October 11-14 1999. Write to Secretary, DELNET, 40, Max Mueller Marg, Lodi Estate, New Delhi – 110 003.

■

INFLIBNET PUBLICATIONS

Following proceedings of CALIBER are available for purchase :

1. Information Technology Application in Academic Libraries: Proceedings of the CALIBER 1997. Price Rs. 300+Postage.

2. Information Management in Academic and Research Libraries : Proceedings of the CALIBER 1998. Price Rs. 350+Postage.

3. Academic Libraries in INTERNET Era: Proceedings of the CALIBER 1999. Price Rs. 500+Postage.

For ordering your copy, please write to:
Administrative Officer-I (P & S)
INFLIBNET Centre (UGC)
P.B.No. 4116, Navrangpura
Ahmedabad-   380 009

■

LIST OF JOURNALS

Following new journals are subscribed in the INFLIBNET Library from the year 1999

1.   ASLIB Procceedings
2.   Campuswide Information System
3.   Cataloguing & Classification Quarterly
4.   Computer Today
5.   IEEE Computer Magazine
6.   Journal of Academic Librarianship
7.   Journal of Documentation
8.   LAN Magazine (The Indian Edition)
9.   Library Hi-Tech Journal
10. Library Technology Reports

Note: Articles published in these journals can be supplied to Academicians and research scholars on demand

FEEDBACKS

The Editorial Board requests the librarians and others to contribute news items pertaining to important activities and events taking place in their universities. We also solicit your comments, suggestions in making this newsletter an effective media to communicate INFLIBNET activities.

■