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## निदेशक की कलम से From Director's Desk

### ( प्रिय पाठको )

मुझे आपके सामने वर्ष 2023 के लिए इनफिलबनेट न्यूज़लेटर का पहला तिमाही अंक प्रस्तुत करते हुए खुशी हो रही है।

पदकपं त्दापदहे 2023 (छप्थ), प्फ्छै: भारतीय अनुसंधान सूचना नेटवर्क प्रणाली, ई-शोधसिंधु, और शोधशुद्धि (पीडीएस- न्तपहपदंस) इस अवधि के दौरान इनफिलबनेट केंद्र की प्रमुख गतिविधियां थीं। मुझे आपको यह बताते हुए गर्व हो रहा है कि म्ज् 2023, इलेक्ट्रॉनिक थीसिस एंड रिसर्च डिसर्टेशन (छक्स्ज्) पर 26वीं अंतर्राष्ट्रीय संगोष्ठी का आयोजन 26 से 28 अक्टूबर 2023 तक फ्छ्स्ठछम्ज् केंद्र, गांधीनगर में फ्छ्स्ठछम्ज् केंद्र द्वारा छक्स्ज् के सहयोग से किया जा रहा है और समापन दिवस गुजरात के केवडिया में दुनिया की सबसे ऊंची प्रतिमा 'स्टैच्यू ऑफ यूनिटी' के परिसर में होगा। संगोष्ठी का प्रमुख विषय म्ज् के प्राबंधन, म्ज् और ओपन साइंस, म्ज् मेटाडेटा जीवनचक्र और अनुसंधान डेटा रिपॉजिटरी (त्क्ते) जैसे उप-विषयों के साथ 'मदतपबीपदह म्ज् दक पजे त्मबी' है। प्रोफेसर ममीडाला जगदीश कुमार, माननीय अध्यक्ष, विश्वविद्यालय अनुदान आयोग ने 17 फरवरी 2023 को म्ज् 2023 की वेबसाइट ऑनलाइन लॉन्च की।

उच्च शिक्षा विभाग, शिक्षा मंत्रालय द्वारा अनुमोदित के रूप में, केंद्र ने प्छेछ के लिए चरण-वार काम शुरू कर दिया है और पुराने से नए प्छेछ पोर्टल में माइग्रेशन प्रक्रिया पूरी कर ली है, और प्छेछ वेबसाइट को नया रूप देने की दिशा में काम कर रहा है। रिपोर्ट की गई अवधि के दौरान, प्छेछ पोर्टल पर कुल 2,930 हितधारक पंजीकृत हुए, जहां 5,979 आवेदन प्राप्त हुए, और 79,744 प्छेछ हितधारकों/प्रकाशकों को आवंटित किए गए। इसके अलावा, छप्थ के तहत पदकपं त्दापदहे 2023 से संबंधित कार्य जोरों पर चल रहा है। साथ ही, शोध शुद्धि (पीडीएस) के लिए ग्लोबल टेंडर इंक्वायरी (जीटीई) प्रक्रियाधीन है, क्योंकि पीडीएस-न्तपहपदंस की सदस्यता की वर्तमान चल रही अवधि 31 मई 2023 को समाप्त हो रही है।

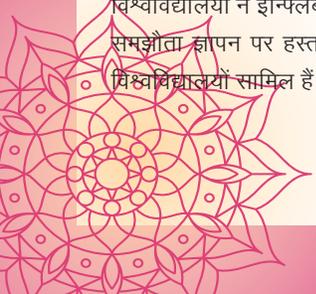
शोध जीवन चक्र के दौरान शैक्षणिक समुदाय की मदद और समर्थन करने के लिए केंद्र की अनूठी पहल शोध-चक्र को देश भर के विश्वविद्यालयों से जबरदस्त प्रतिक्रिया मिल रही है, और रिपोर्ट की गई अवधि तक, देश में कुल 82 विश्वविद्यालयों ने इन्फिलबनेट केंद्र के साथ शोध-चक्र का उपयोग करने के लिए समझौता ज्ञापन पर हस्ताक्षर कर चुके हैं जिस में रिपोर्ट अवधि के दौरान 08 विश्वविद्यालयों सामिल हैं।

### Dear Readers

I'm glad to present before you the first quarter issue of the INFLIBNET Newsletter for the year 2023. India Rankings 2023 (NIRF), IRINS: Indian Research Information Network System, e-ShodhSindhu, and Shodhshuddhi (PDS-Ouriginal) were the flagship activities of INFLIBNET Centre during the period. I am proud to inform you that ETD 2023, the 26<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Electronic Thesis and Research Dissertation (NDLTD) is being organized by the Information and Library Network Centre in association with NDLTD from 26<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> October 2023 at INFLIBNET Centre, Gandhinagar and the concluding day will be on the premises of the 'Statue of Unity', the world's tallest statue in Kevadia, Gujarat. The major theme of the Symposium is 'Enriching ETDs and its Reach' with subthemes like Managing ETDs, ETD and Open Science, ETD Metadata lifecycle, and Research Data Repositories (RDRs). Prof Mamidala Jagadesh Kumar, Hon'ble Chairman, University Grants Commission launched the website of ETD 2023 online on 17<sup>th</sup> February 2023.

As approved by the Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Education, the Centre has initiated phase-wise work for ISBN and completed the migration process from the old to the new ISBN portal and is working towards revamping the ISBN website. During the reported period, a total of 2,930 stakeholders registered on the ISBN portal where 5,979 applications were received, and 79,744 ISBNs were allotted to the stakeholders/ Publishers. Further, the work related to India Rankings 2023 under NIRF is going on in full-swing mode. Also, the Global Tender Enquiry (GTE) for ShodhShuddhi (PDS) is under process as the current ongoing period of subscription of PDS-Ouriginal is getting over on 31<sup>st</sup> May 2023.

Shodh-Chakra, the unique initiative of the Centre to help and support the academic community during the research life cycle, is receiving an overwhelming response from universities across the country, and till the reported period, a total of 82 universities in the country have signed MoUs with the INFLIBNET Centre to use Shodh-Chakra including 08 universities during the period under report.





इस अवधि के दौरान, इनफिलबनेट केंद्र ने 03 संस्थानों के लिए अपनी निः शुल्क प्लडै सेवा की तैनाती की जिसमें श्री सोमनाथ संस्कृत विश्वविद्यालय, वेरावल, गुजरात; मीनाक्षी एकेडमी ऑफ हायर एजुकेशन एंड रिसर्च, चेन्नई, तमिलनाडु और साधु वासवानी इंस्टीट्यूट ऑफ मैनेजमेंट स्टडीज फॉर गर्ल्स, पुणे, महाराष्ट्र शामिल है। इनफिलबनेट केंद्र ने रिपोर्ट की गई अवधि तक संस्थानों के लिए कुल 782 प्लडै उदाहरण बनाए हैं, जिनमें 121 प्लडै उदाहरण शामिल हैं जो रिपोर्ट की गई अवधि के दौरान बनाए गए थे। 31 दिसंबर 2022 तक, कुल 813 संस्थानों (719 विश्वविद्यालयों+94 सीएफटीआई) ने इनफिलबनेट केंद्र के साथ शोधगंगा पर समझौता ज्ञापन पर हस्ताक्षर किए हैं, जहां रिपोर्ट की गई अवधि के दौरान 43 समझौता (23 विश्वविद्यालयों+20 सीएफटीआई) ज्ञापन जोड़े गए थे। और, शोधगंगा भंडार में जमा किए गए शोध प्रबंधों की कुल संख्या रिपोर्ट की गई अवधि के अंत तक बढ़कर 4,48,129 हो गई है, जिसमें रिपोर्ट की गई अवधि के दौरान अपलोड किए गए 37,438 शोध-प्रबंध शामिल हैं। इसमें कुल 701 विश्वविद्यालय योगदान दे रहे हैं।

इनफिलबनेट केंद्र देश भर के विभिन्न संस्थानों के प्रतिभागियों के बीच प्रशिक्षण प्रदान करने के लिए नियमित रूप से ऑफलाइन/ऑनलाइन विशिष्ट प्रशिक्षण कार्यक्रम और कार्यशालाएं आयोजित करता है। रिपोर्ट की गई तिमाही के दौरान, केंद्र ने 'स् 3.0: स्थापना और संचालन पर पाँच प्रशिक्षण कार्यक्रम (तीन ऑनलाइन: 09 से 13 जनवरी 2023, 16 से 20 जनवरी 2023, और 13 से 17 फरवरी 2023 तक क्रमशः और दो ऑफलाइन: 30 जनवरी से 03 फरवरी 2023 और 20 से 24 मार्च 2023 तक क्रमशः), अनुसंधान सूचना प्रबंधन प्रणाली (ल्डै) पर एक राष्ट्रीय कार्यशाला 20 से 22 फरवरी 2023 तक और "एन-लिस्ट कॉलेज एडमिनिस्ट्रेशन मॉड्यूल" विषय पर एक अल्पकालिक ऑनलाइन वेबिनार 31 मार्च 2023 को आयोजित किए। इसके अलावा, केंद्र ने विभिन्न भारतीय विश्वविद्यालयों के लिए शोध-चक्र पर कुल 04 (03-संस्थागत और 01-सामान्य) ऑनलाइन प्रशिक्षण कार्यक्रम आयोजित किए। रिपोर्ट की गई अवधि के दौरान केंद्र ने बिहार राज्य के 16 विश्वविद्यालयों के लिए अपनी विभिन्न सेवाओं पर 06 संस्थागत प्रशिक्षण कार्यक्रम आयोजित किए।

केंद्र ने 26 जनवरी 2023 को अपने परिसर में 74वां गणतंत्र दिवस और बसंत पंचमी बड़े जोश और उत्साह के साथ मनाया।

मुझे यकीन है कि पाठकों को इनफिलबनेट न्यूज़लेटर के इस पहला अंक को पढ़ने में अच्छा लगेगा।

आप सभी को शुभकामनाएं! धन्यवाद।

During this period, the INFLIBNET Centre deployed its free ILMS service for 03 institutions in the country that are Shree Somnath Sanskrit University, Veraval, Gujarat; Meenakshi Academy of Higher Education and Research, Chennai, Tamil Nadu; Sadhu Vaswani Institute of Management Studies for Girls, Pune, Maharashtra. The INFLIBNET Centre has created a total number of 782 IRINS instances for institutions till the reported period including 121 IRINS instances that were created during the reported period. As on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023, a total of 813 (719 Universities+ 94 CFTIs/INIs) have signed MoU on Shodhganga with the INFLIBNET Centre where 43 MoUs (23 Universities+ 20 CFTIs/INIs) were added during the reported period. And the total number of theses deposited into the Shodhganga repository has grown up to 4,48,129 by the end of the reported period including 37,438 Theses that were uploaded during the reported period. A total of 701 Universities are contributing to it.

The INFLIBNET Centre regularly conducts Offline/Online Specialized Training Programmes & Workshops to impart training among participants from different institutions across the country. During the reported quarter, the Centre conducted five training programmes on SOUL 3.0: Installation and Operations (three online: from 09<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup> January 2023, 16<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup> January 2023, and 13<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> February 2023 respectively, and two offline: from 30<sup>th</sup> January - 03<sup>rd</sup> February 2023 and 20<sup>th</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup> March 2023 respectively), one national workshop on Research Information Management System (RIMS) from 20<sup>th</sup> - 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2023 and one short-term Online Webinar on the topic "N-LIST College Administration Module" on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023. Also, the Centre organized a total of 04 (03-Institutional and 01-General) online training programmes on Shodh-Chakra for different Indian universities. The Centre conducted 06 institutional training programmes on its various services for 16 Universities of Bihar State during the reported period.

The INFLIBNET Centre celebrated the 74<sup>th</sup> Republic Day and Basant Panchami with great zeal and enthusiasm on 26<sup>th</sup> January 2023 at its premises.

I am sure that the readers would enjoy reading this first issue of the INFLIBNET Newsletter.

Best wishes to you all! Thank you.

(J P Singh Joorel)



# INFLIBNET Online Training Programmes/Workshops

The INFLIBNET Centre regularly conducts Offline/Online Specialized Training Programmes & Workshops to impart training among participants from different institutions across the country. During the reported quarter, four (two online and two offline) training programmes on SOUL 3.0: Installation and Operations, one workshop on Research Information Management System (RIMS) and one short-term Online Webinar on the topic “N-LIST College Administration Module” were organized at the INFLIBNET Centre, Gandhinagar.

## 23<sup>rd</sup> Online Training Programme on SOUL 3.0: Installation and Operations, INFLIBNET Centre, Gandhinagar, 09<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup> January 2023

The 23<sup>rd</sup> Five Days Online Training Programme on SOUL 3.0: Installation and Operations was organized by the Centre from 09<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> January 2023. The Course Coordinator, Dr H G Hosamani, Scientist-E (LS) welcomed the participants and briefed them on the new features of the SOUL 3.0 software. Technical Coordinator, Mr Yatrik Patel, Scientist-E (CS) handled participants' queries

during all the technical sessions. Mrs Hema Cholin, Scientist-B (LS) and Mrs Arti Sawale, Scientific STO-I (LS) were the course Co-coordinators. A total of 34 participants attended the online training programme. Details of the lectures delivered by the staff members of the INFLIBNET Centre during the programme are as follows:

Topic	Experts
Catalogue Module	Mr Vijay Shrimali, STO-I (CS)
Administration Module	Mr Divyakant Vaghela, Scientist-C (CS)
Circulation Module	Mrs Hema Cholin, Scientist-B (LS)
Acquisition Module	Mr Swapnil Patel, Scientist-C (CS)
Serial Control Module	Mrs Arti Sawale, STO-I (LS)

## Special Online Training Programme on SOUL3.0 Operations, Mahatma Gandhi Institute, Moka, Mauritius, 16<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup> January 2023

A special Five-Day Online Training Programme on SOUL 3.0 Operations was organized by the INFLIBNET Centre from 16<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup> January 2023 for the Library Staff members of Mahatma Gandhi Institute, Moka, Mauritius. The Course Coordinator, Dr H G Hosamani, Scientist-E (LS)

welcomed the participants and briefed them on the new features of the SOUL 3.0 software. Thereafter an introduction session was arranged to understand the operational flow of the MGI Library. Technical Coordinator, Mr Yatrik Patel, Scientist-E (CS) handled participants' queries during all the technical sessions.



For practical sessions, SOUL 3.0 software was installed in the Computer Lab and remote access was provided through Anydesk to all participants. Live online SOUL demonstration was also arranged parallelly for better interaction with all participants and technical staff of the Centre. A

total of 12 participants attended the online training programme. In the concluding session, some of the participants expressed their views and appreciated the efforts of the Centre. The details of lectures delivered by staff members of the INFLIBNET Centre are as follows:

Module	Resource Person
Catalogue Module	Mr Divyakant Vaghela, Scientist-C (CS)
Administration Module	Mr Divyakant Vaghela, Scientist-C (CS)
Circulation Module	Mrs Hema Cholin, Scientist-B (LS)
Acquisition Module	Mr Swapnil Patel, Scientist-C (CS)
Serial Control Module	Dr H G Hosamani, Scientist-E (LS)
All the SOUL Modules: Hands-on Practice Sessions	Mrs Hema Cholin, Scientist-B (LS)
	Mr Vijay Shrimali, STO-I (LS)

## 159<sup>th</sup> Training Programme on SOUL 3.0: Installation and Operations, INFLIBNET Centre, Gandhinagar, 30<sup>th</sup> January - 03<sup>rd</sup> February 2023

The 159<sup>th</sup> training programme on “SOUL 3.0: Installation and Operations” was organized from

30<sup>th</sup> January to 03<sup>rd</sup> February 2023 at INFLIBNET Centre, Gandhinagar. Prof J P Singh Joorel, Director, INFLIBNET Centre inaugurated the

training programme. Technical Coordinator, Mr Yatrik Patel, Scientist-E (CS), briefed about the training programme and Course Coordinator, Dr H G Hosamani, Scientist-E (LS), proposed the formal vote of thanks. Mrs Hema Cholin, Scientist-B (LS) and Mrs Arti Sawale, STO-I (LS) were the Course Co-coordinators. A total of 20 participants attended the training programme. In the Valedictory session, Mr Manoj Kumar K, Scientist-

E (CS) distributed the certificates to participants and Dr H G Hosamani, Scientist-E (LS) proposed the vote of thanks.

Mrs Hema Cholin, Scientist-B (LS), Mrs Arti Sawale, STO-I (LS), Mr Viraj Parekh, Mr Rajan Panday & Mrs Hema Rajani, Technical Assistant (LS) and Ms Rose Marry, Technical Assistant (CS) were the resource persons for the practical sessions.



**Participants of 159<sup>th</sup> Training Programme on SOUL 3.0: Installation and Operations at the INFLIBNET Centre, Gandhinagar**

The details of lectures delivered by the staff members of the INFLIBNET centre are as follows:

Module	Resource Person
Catalogue Module	Mr Divyakant Vaghela, Scientist-C (CS)
	Ms Roshni Yadav, STO-I (LS)
Administration Module	Mr Vijay Shrimali, STO-I (CS)
Circulation Module	Mrs Hema Cholin, Scientist-B (LS)
Acquisition Module	Dr H G Hosamani, Scientist-E (LS)
Serial Control Module	Mrs Arti Sawale, STO-I (LS)
SOUL 3.0 Web OPAC & Backup	Mr Swapnil Patel, Scientist-C (CS)
SOUL 3.0 Installation	Mr Divyakant Vaghela, Scientist-C (CS)

## Three-day Workshop on Research Information Management System (RIMS), INFLIBNET Centre, Gandhinagar, 20<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> February 2023

A three-day Workshop on Research Information Management System (RIMS) was organized at the INFLIBNET Centre, Gandhinagar from 20<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2023. Mr Manoj Kumar K, Scientist-E (CS) inaugurated the training programme. Dr

Kannan P, Scientist-E (LS) and Mr Pallab Pradhan, Scientist-C (LS) were the coordinators of the training programme. A total of 30 participants attended the training programme.



**Participants of Workshop on Research Information Management System (RIMS) at INFLIBNET Centre, Gandhinagar**

Details of lectures delivered by the invited expert and staff members of the INFLIBNET Centre during the training programme are as follows:

Topic	Expert
INFLIBNET Activities and Services	Dr Abhishek Kumar, Scientist-E (CS)
Academic Identity Overview: ORCID	Dr BB Chand, Librarian, IIM Ahmedabad
Overview - Research Information Management System (RIMS)	Dr Kannan P, Scientist-E (LS)
Research Metrics	Mr Pallab Pradhan, Scientist-C (LS)
Research Data Management	Mr Hitesh Solanki, Scientist-C (CS)
Institutional Repository & CRIS Integration	Mr Raja V, Scientist-C (CS)
Altmetrics Overview	Mr Pallab Pradhan, Scientist-C (LS)
IRINS Overview	Dr Kannan P, Scientist-E (LS)

Topic	Expert
CRIS/IRINS Standards, Metadata, and Data Sources	Mr Pallab Pradhan, Scientist-C (LS)
Data Curation and Profile Creation	Ms Preeshma & Practical Team
Data Curation and Profile Creation - Practice	Ms Preeshma T & Practical Team
IRINS Analytics & Nodal Officer Dashboard	Dr Kannan P, Scientist-E (LS)
ShodhChakra -Scholars Profiles and Resources Management System	Dr Abhishek Kumar, Scientist-E (CS)
Research Analytics Dashboard	Mr Hitesh Solanki, Scientist-C (CS)

## Regional Online Training Programme on SOUL 3.0: Installation and Operations, University of Kolkata, Kolkata, West Bengal, 13<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> February 2023

A Regional Online Training Programme on SOUL 3.0: Installation and Operations was organized by the INFLIBNET Centre from 13<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> February 2023 for the University of Kolkata, Kolkata, West

Bengal. Dr H G Hosamani, Scientist-E (LS) and Mr Vijaykumar Shrimali, STO-I (CS) were the course instructors for the programme.

## 160<sup>th</sup> Training Programme on SOUL 3.0: Installation and Operations, INFLIBNET Centre, Gandhinagar, 20<sup>th</sup> -24<sup>th</sup> March 2023



**Participants of 160<sup>th</sup> Training Programme on SOUL 3.0: Installation and Operations at INFLIBNET Centre, Gandhinagar**

The 160<sup>th</sup> training programme on “SOUL 3.0: Installation and Operations” was organized from

20<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> March 2023 at INFLIBNET Centre, Gandhinagar. Prof J P Singh Joorel, Director,

INFLIBNET Centre inaugurated the training programme. Ms Amrita Devi, Scientist-B (LS) proposed the welcome address and coordinated the inauguration ceremony. Technical Coordinator, Mr Yatrik Patel, Scientist-E (CS), briefed about the training programme and Course Coordinator, Dr H G Hosamani, Scientist-E (LS), proposed the formal vote of thanks. Mrs Hema Cholin, Scientist-B (LS) and Ms Roshni Yadav, STO-I (LS) were the Course Co-coordinators. A total of 19 participants attended the training programme. A local educational tour was arranged

at Gandhinagar and Ahmedabad for the benefit of participants. In the Valedictory session, Mr Manoj Kumar K, Scientist-E (CS) distributed the certificates to participants.

Mrs Hema Cholin, Scientist-B (LS), Ms Roshni Yadav, STO-I (LS), Mr Viraj Parekh, Mr Rajan Pandey & Mrs Hema Rajani, Tech Assistant (LS) and Ms Rose Marry, Tech Assistant (CS) were the resource persons for the practical sessions. Details of the lectures delivered by the staff members of the INFLIBNET Centre are as follows:

Topic	Expert
Administration Module	Mr Vijay Shrimali, STO-I (CS)
Catalogue Module	Mr Divyakant Vaghela, Scientist-C (CS); Ms Roshni Yadav, STO-I (LS)
Circulation Module	Mrs Hema Cholin, Scientist-B (LS)
Acquisition Module	Dr H G Hosamani, Scientist-E (LS)
Serial Control Module	Mrs Arti Sawale, STO-I (LS)
SOUL 3.0 Web OPAC & Backup	Mr Swapnil Patel, Scientist-C (CS)
SOUL 3.0 Installation	Mr Divyakant Vaghela, Scientist-C (CS)

## Short-Term Online Webinars

The INFLIBNET Centre organized the following short-term Online Webinar for Universities and colleges during the reported period. The short-term Online Webinars were announced on the INFLIBNET HRD portal and different Social Media platforms for its broader outreach.

Sl. No.	Dates	Name of Online Webinar	Resource Persons	No. of Registration	No. of Attendees
1	31 <sup>st</sup> March 2023	N-LIST College Administration Module	Dr Roma Asnani, STO (LS)	58	34

# Shodh-Chakra: MoU signed and Training Programmes

Shodh-Chakra is an initiative of the INFLIBNET Centre under the guidance of UGC to help the academic community during their research life cycle. Shodh-Chakra provides a unique space for the researcher, guide/supervisor, and university to manage the research lifecycle of a research scholar. The portal is integrated with millions of resources (including full-text theses) along with the

helping tools for the researcher which are required during the research work. A total number of 82 Universities have already signed MoU with the INFLIBNET Centre to use Shodh-Chakra till the reported period including 08 Universities that have signed MoU during the reported period. The list of 08 Universities that have signed MoU during the reported period is provided below:

Sl. No.	Name of Institute	Address
1	Jaypee University of Engineering and Technology	Guna, Madhya Pradesh
2	University of Allahabad	Prayagraj, Uttar Pradesh
3	SDM College of Medical Sciences and Hospital	Dharwad, Karnataka
4	Sri Sathya Sai Institute of Higher Learning	Anantapur, Andhra Pradesh
5	Lakulish Yoga University	Ahmedabad, Gujarat
6	Panjab University	Chandigarh, Gujarat
7	Meenakshi Academy of Higher Education & Research	Chennai, Tamil Nadu
8	Parul University	Vadodara, Gujarat

Further, the INFLIBNET Centre conducted 04 online training programmes on Shodh-Chakra for universities.

Sl. No.	Name of University	Type of Training	Date of Training	Number of Participants
1	Central University of Haryana, Kurukshetra	Institutional	24 <sup>th</sup> February 2023	177
2	Babasaheb Ambedkar Open University, Ahmedabad	Institutional	28 <sup>th</sup> March 2023	40
3	Chaudhary Ranbir Singh University	Institutional	26 <sup>th</sup> April 2023	40
4	A General Orientation Session for the Participants	General	29 <sup>th</sup> March 2023	20

## Online Training Programmes on e-Library for 16 State Universities of Bihar

The INFLIBNET Centre conducted the following institutional training programmes on its various services for 16 Universities of Bihar State during the reported period.

Sl. No.	Name of University	Type of Training	Date of Training	Number of Participants
1	Veer Kunwar Singh University, Ara; Patliputra University, Patna; Tilka Manjhi Bhagalpur University, Bhagalpur	Institutional	16 <sup>th</sup> February 2023	100
2	Patna University and Lalit Narayan Mithila University.	Institutional	17 <sup>th</sup> February 2023	101
3	Aryabhata Knowledge University, Patna;	Institutional	22 <sup>nd</sup> February 2023	130
4	Bhupendra Narayan Mandal University, Madhepura; Jai Prakash University, Chappra; Purnea University, Purnea; Kameshwar Singh Darbhanga Sanskrit University, Darbhanga Veer Kunwar Singh University, Ara; Patliputra University, Patna	Institutional	23 <sup>rd</sup> February 2023	139
5	Lalit Narayan Mithila University, Darbhanga	Institutional	24 <sup>th</sup> February 2023	174
6	Tilka Manjhi Bhagalpur University	Institutional	24 <sup>th</sup> March 2023	88

## One-day Training Programme on Shodh-Chakra, Central University of Haryana, Haryana, 24<sup>th</sup> February 2023

The Central University of Haryana organised a workshop on Shodh-Chakra on 24<sup>th</sup> February 2023. The programme started with a welcome address from the Dean of Research, CUH, followed by a brief introduction to Shodh-Chakra by Prof Dinesh K Gupta, DLIS, Central University of Haryana. Mr Gupta mentioned the collaboration between CUH and INFLIBNET Centre in various projects/services. Dr Abshishek Kumar, Scienitst-E (CS) made a detailed presentation on the works being undertaken by the INFLIBNET Centre to help researchers. He appreciated the involvement of CUH with Shodh-Chakra from the initial stage of the Project. He appreciated the feedback being received from the interactions with each Department of CUH with

the Shodh-Chakra Nodal Officer. He informed the participants that many of the suggestions given are being implemented in order to improve the portal. Dr Abhishek mentioned the need for bringing out the Shodh-Chakra and elaborated on the benefits to the individual researchers, supervisors, and the university in his talk.

A lot of queries and suggestions were made by the researchers and the faculty members of the University, like having the Shodh-Chakra mobile app, more resources to be added to the portal, automatic transfer of mark sheet of Course Work from the university exam portal/ABC to be transferred, issue of registration certificate, provision of evaluation of the thesis, etc. those can be made on the portal.

# Online Launching Ceremony of ETD 2023 Website

ETD 2023 an international Symposium of the Networked Digital Library of Theses and Dissertations (NDLTD), is being organized by the Information and Library Network Centre in association with NDLTD from 26<sup>th</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup> October 2023, at the INFLIBNET Centre Gandhinagar and the concluding day will be in the vicinity of the World's Tallest Statue, Statue of Unity at Kevadia, Gujarat. The major theme of the Symposium is 'Enriching ETDs and its Reach' with subthemes Managing ETDs, ETD and Open Science, ETD Metadata lifecycle, and Research Data

Repositories (RDRs). The symposium will be an opportunity to discuss and deliberate on various aspects of managing ETDs, enabling researchers across the globe to access them without any restrictions.

The website of ETD 2023 i.e., 26<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Electronic Theses and Dissertations was launched online by Prof Mamidala Jagadesh Kumar, Hon'ble Chairman, University Grants Commission on 17<sup>th</sup> February 2023.



# Current Status of INFLIBNET Projects



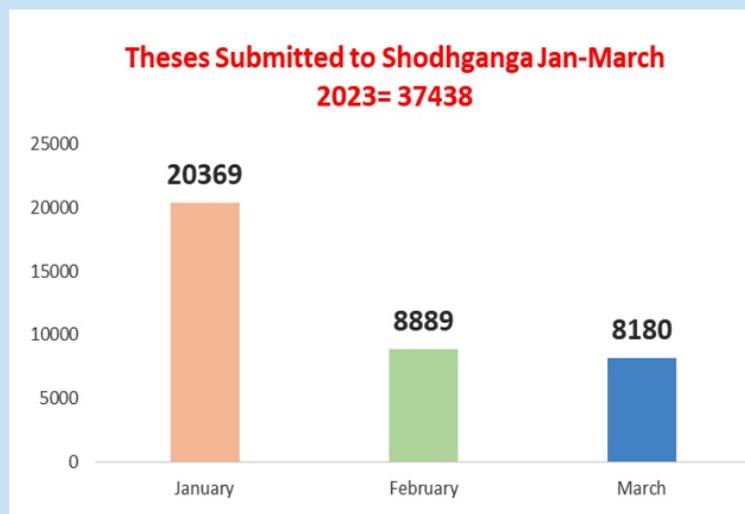
## Shodhganga: a reservoir of Indian Theses

The New Year, January 2023 is marked as a remarkable period for Shodhganga for its growth by carve-in PhD Theses from most renewed National Institutions Like IITs/IIMs/NITs etc. In January 2023, the highest number of theses (i.e., 20,369), since its inception was uploaded by all Institutions, in which, a sizable number of contributions started from INIs by signing MoUs. The Ministry of Education issued an important directive in the month of November 2022 for the CFTIs/INIs such as IISc, IITs, IIMs NITs, IISERs, etc., to proactively participate in Shodhganga and by linking the number of PhDs awarded from these institutes in the year 2021-2022 with NIRF Ranking.

Accordingly, 43 new INIs/CFTIs and Universities have signed MoU with the INFLIBNET Centre for the Quarter (January-March) 2023 resulting in a sharp increase in the number of full-text theses in Shodhganga. Following the directives of the Ministry of Education, UGC and AICTE have issued similar circulars to the Institutions that are coming under their ambit to liaison with the INFLIBNET Centre by following standards and procedures laid down by the Centre. As such, the repository has grown progressively during the period under the report. A total number of 37,438 Theses were uploaded during the period of the

report (i.e., January-March 2023). As such, a total of 4,48,129 Theses are uploaded by 701 Contributing (as on 31.03.2023) Universities which include IITs, IIMs, NITs, IIITMs, IISERs, etc. and 813 (719 Universities + 94 CFTIs/INIs) Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) joined Shodhganga by signing MoU, whereas 43 MoUs (23 Universities + 20 CFTIs/INIs) were added during the period.

The total theses uploaded (Figure-1) in Quarter-1 (January-March 2023) are 37,438 which is higher



**Figure 1: Theses uploaded to Shodhganga Jan-March 2023 = 37438**

than last quarter (Q4 i.e., 24,427 Theses in October-December 2022) uploaded whereas, in Shodhgangotri, a total of 10,664 Synopses/MRPs/PDFs/Fellowships have been submitted to the repository by 116 Institutes.

## ShodhShuddhi and Plagiarism Detection Software (PDS)

The Ministry of Education through its initiative ShodhShuddhi provides access to Plagiarism Detection Software (PDS) to all Universities including Central, State, Deemed, and Private Universities, as well as Centrally funded Technical Institutions/Institutes of National Importance (CFTIs/INIs) in India through Central funding to enhance academic integrity in academic institutions and to curb plagiarism, w.e.f. 01<sup>st</sup> September 2019. This program was launched by the Hon'ble Minister of Education during the CABE meeting in Vigyan Bhavan, New Delhi and it is being executed by the INFLIBNET Centre, Gandhinagar. As on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023, a total of 29,61,620 documents have been submitted for checking Plagiarism by 1,43,765 users from 901 Universities/Institutions. The Project Shodhshuddhi envisaged the use of 30 Lakhs of documents in 3 years with 10 Lakhs of documents in each year and 29.6 Lakhs of documents are already submitted till the end of 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023. The current period of subscription is getting over on 31<sup>st</sup> May 2023 and Global Tender Enquiry (GTE) is already under process.

### PDS (OURIGINAL) Usage Statistics

The total submission into PDS in January 2023 was the highest with 70,956 documents in the reported quarter period. Figure-2 shows the average number of submissions in the last 3 months (January-March 2023 = 2,01,686), and the average was 67,228. Figure-3 shows the number of users added to ShodhShuddhi from January-March 2023.

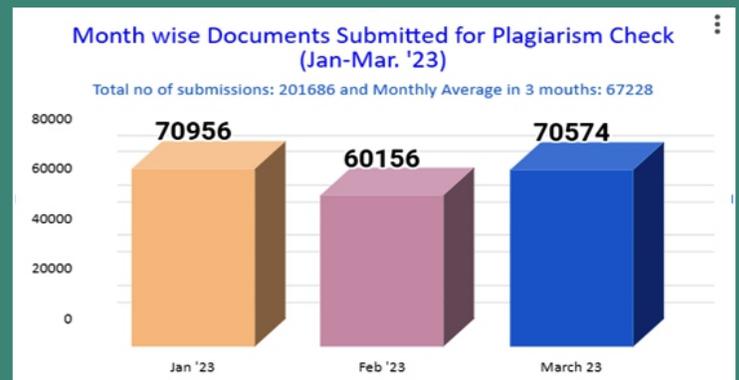


Figure : No. of Submissions in PDS month-wise (January-March 2023)

The graph (Figure-3) shows the total number of users created/added in ShodhShuddhi to date is 1,43,765 users whereas, the number of users added monthly (January-February-March 2023 = 7345) are as follows (January = 2129, February = 4028, March = 1188). PDS has a provision for 3 Lakhs users from all Universities.

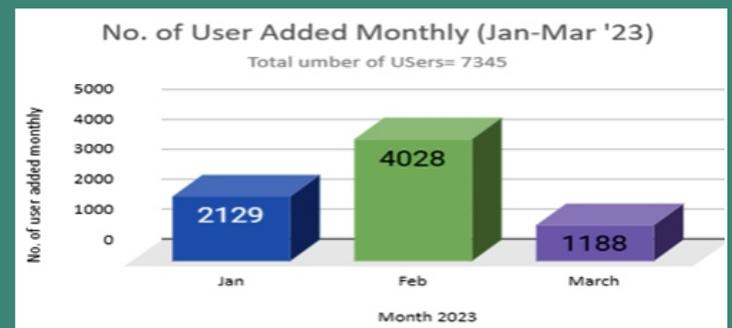


Figure 3: No. of New Users added during January-March 2023

## **Development of Website for Allotment of ISBN and Its Day-to-Day Maintenance**

As approved by the Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Education, the INFLIBNET Centre, Gandhinagar has initiated the phase-wise work for ISBN as per the proposal. The Centre has also done the migration process from the old to the new ISBN portal and started to work on revamping the ISBN website.

During the reported period (01<sup>st</sup> January to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023), a total of 2,930 stakeholders registered on the ISBN portal where 5,979 applications were received, and 79,744 ISBNs were allotted to the stakeholders/Publishers.

## **INFLIBNET Learning Management Service (ILMS)**

INFLIBNET Learning Management Service (ILMS) is a service offered by the Information and Library Network Centre to institutions of higher education across the country. This service is being offered to all the Central, State and Deemed universities. Some of the core features are Course creation, Enrolment, Assignment & Assessment, Discussion forum, etc. During this reported period, the INFLIBNET Centre deployed its free ILMS service to three institutions that are Shree Somnath Sanskrit University, Veraval, Gujarat; Meenakshi Academy of Higher Education and Research, Chennai, Tamil Nadu; Sadhu Vaswani Institute of Management Studies for Girls, Pune, Maharashtra.

## **Indian Research Information Network System (IRINS)**

IRINS is a web-based Research Information Management (RIM) service provided to higher education institutions in India by the INFLIBNET Centre. IRINS facilitates the academic, R&D organizations and faculty members, and scientists to collect, curate and showcase scholarly communication activities and provides an opportunity to create a scholarly network. The INFLIBNET Centre has created a total number of 782 IRINS instances for institutions till the reported period including 121 IRINS instances that were created during the period under report. IRINS has connected a total of 1,24,142 faculty members through this project. The project retrieved a total of 18,531,20 publications metadata from various sources and received a total of 190,368,18 citations & received a total of 63,148,63 Altmetrics mentions till the reported period.

# Other Notable Events and Activities

## Celebration of 74<sup>th</sup> Republic Day & Basant Panchami, INFLIBNET Centre, Gandhinagar, 26<sup>th</sup> January 2023

The INFLIBNET Centre celebrated the 74<sup>th</sup> Republic Day and Basant Panchami on 26<sup>th</sup> January 2023 at the Centre. The celebration started with Sarsarwati Pooja and Aaradhna by the INFLIBNET Staff with their family. Prof J P Singh Joorel, Director, INFLIBNET Centre hoisted the National Flag and addressed the gatherings of the staff members and their families on the occasion. The staff members actively participated during the celebration and different artistic & cultural activities, i.e., dance, drama, and songs were performed by them. The celebration ended with the distribution of the gifts to participants and kids and a formal vote of thanks by Mr Manoj Kumar K, Scientist-E(CS).



# Staff News

## **Mr Manoj Kumar K, Scientist-E (CS)**

Mr Manoj Kumar K was invited to deliver a lecture to address research scholars and faculty members by Jamia Hamdard University on 10<sup>th</sup> February 2023.

### ➤ **Dr Kanan P, Scientist-E (LS)**

Dr Kannan P was invited to deliver invited talks/lectures as mentioned below:

- Delivered online lectures on the topic IRINS and Vidwan during the Webinar on IRINS & VIDWAN at Bharati Vidyapeeth, Pune on 30<sup>th</sup> January 2023.
- Delivered online lectures on the topic "Academic Identity" during the Webinar on Academic Identity at VET Institute of Arts and Science College, Erode on 27<sup>th</sup> January 2023.
- Deliver an online talk on "Academic Visibility Platform to showcase scholarly publications" on 17<sup>th</sup> February 2023 during the three-day Virtual Workshop on Scholarly Publishing: Tools and Tips organized by The Bangalore Institute of Technology, Belagavi, Karnataka from 15<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> February 2023.

## **Dr Abhishek Kumar, Scientist-E (CS)**

Dr Abhishek Kumar was invited to deliver invited talks/lectures as mentioned below:

- Delivered a session on "E-Services: National Portal for Transgender Persons - TG ID Card/Certificates – Scholarship" during the Capacity Building Program on the provisions of the TG Person organized by NISD, New Delhi on 17<sup>th</sup> March 2023.
- Delivered a session on "Making E-classroom Interactive" during VASTUVID Batch-1, organized

by the Indian Institute of Teacher Education (IITE), Gandhinagar on 21<sup>st</sup> January 2023.

- Presented a lecture on "Shodh-Chakra: A Gateway to Resources for Researchers" during ICSSR sponsored: Ten-Day Research Methodology Course for M.Phil./Ph.D./PDF scholars in Social Sciences organized by Central University of Gujarat on 21<sup>st</sup> January 2023.

## **Dr H G Hosamani, Scientist-E (LS)**

Dr H G Hosamani was invited to deliver a lecture on the Role of INFLIBNET on ICT based Information Services for Academic libraries during the Two-day National Seminar on the Impact of ICT on the Library System from 15<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup> March 2023 at Haridwar organized by the Central Library, Dev Sanskriti Vishwavidyalaya, Haridwar.

## **Mr Dinesh Ranjan Pradhan, Scientist-D (LS)**

Mr Dinesh Ranjan Pradhan delivered a talk on Open Access Publications and Initiatives during the PhD. Coursework organized by the Indian Institute of Teacher Education (IITE), Gandhinagar on 21<sup>st</sup> February 2023.

## **Dr Mitesh Kumar Pandya, Scientist-C (LS)**

Dr Mitesh Kumar Pandya delivered a talk on Open Research Data Management with Special Reference to ICSSR Data Service during Ten-Day Research Methodology Course for M.Phil./Ph.D./PDF scholars in Social Sciences organized by Central University of Gujarat on 21<sup>st</sup> January 2023.

## **Mr Pallab Pradhan, Scientist-C (LS)**

Mr Pallab Pradhan delivered two online lectures as a resource person on the topics "Citation Databases and

Research Metrics, and Publication Ethics: Managing References & Avoiding Predatory Publishing" on 18<sup>th</sup> March 2023 in the Online 5<sup>th</sup> Faculty Induction

Programme organized by HRDC, Sambalpur University, Burla, Odisha from 15<sup>th</sup> March to 11<sup>th</sup> April 2023.

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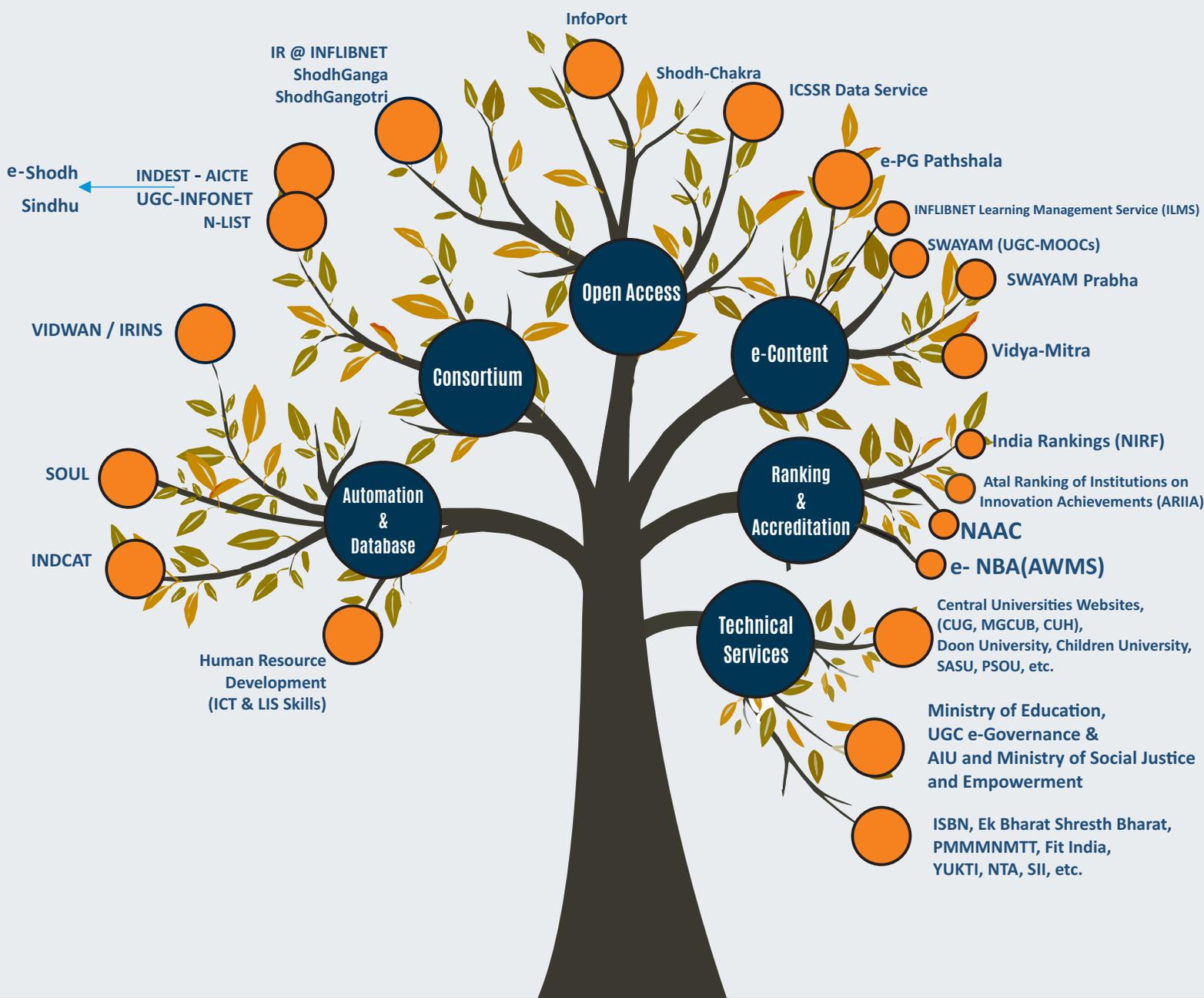
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