

Report of the Two Day International Conference on Bridging the Digital Divide — Role of Libraries and Information Centers with Special Reference to the North Eastern Region Held on the 5th & 6th of September, 2018

The Two-Day International Conference on "Bridging the Digital Divide- Role of Libraries and Information Centers with Special Reference to the North Eastern Region" was organized by Shillong College Central Library, in collaboration with IQAC, Shillong College on the 5th – 6th September 2018. The Conference was sponsored by North Eastern Council, Chief Minister's VAF Fund, ICSSR, NERC, NEHU and SCSTE, Government of Meghalaya.

The International Conference was inaugurated with a grand function on 5th September, 2018, graced by our Hon'ble Governor of Meghalaya Shri Tathagata Roy as the Chief Guest, Shri E. Lyngwa, Principal Consultant & Head, Meghalaya State e-Government Mission Team at National Institute for Smart Government, India as the Special Guest. Prof Gabriel Gomez, Department of Library, Information & Media Studies, Chicago State University, Chicago graced the occasion as the key note speaker besides a host of other prominent dignitaries, invitees, experts, resource persons, delegates and participants from neighbouring countries of Nepal, Bangladesh as well as participants from within the country.

The Inaugural function commenced with the felicitation of the dignitaries followed by a welcome song. Then a welcome address was delivered by Smt. B. Lyngdoh, Librarian, Shillong College. While warmly welcoming the gathering she highlighted on the significance and challenges of bridging the digital divide especially in the context of the North Eastern Region of India.

This was followed by an address from Dr. K. D. Ramsiej, Principal, Shillong College. In his address he observed that advancement of knowledge depends on the availability of books, because library is the temple of learning. He emphasized on the usefulness of digital library from schools to universities and also to the layman. Further, he stressed that in the present era of the 21st century - digital competence or e-competence has become more relevant.

The keynote address was presented by Prof Gabriel Gomez, Department of Library, Information & Media Studies, Chicago State University, Chicago. Speaking about the rising importance of social media he stated that security is important, because security is related to privacy in the context of judgement, criticism and plagiarism. He pointed out that in the paths of progress, India should focus attention on the dynamics of libraries and its system, incentive to enroll users in order to perfect artificial intelligence and machine learning.

After the keynote presentation, the Guest of Honour, Shri E. Lyngwa, Principal Consultant and Head, Meghalaya State e-Government address the gathering. While illuminating on the statistics of internet users in India and the world he pointed out that North East is lagging behind in technology mainly due to climatic conditions that contributes in the dropping down of the efficiency. Speaking on the constraints and challenges of Telecom in Meghalaya, he highlighted that Meghalaya has high number



of villages that are sparsely populated yet with development of Common Service Centre, it will play a significant role in enhancing the competence in modern technology and will benefit people residing in remote areas.

Then the inaugural address was delivered by the Chief Guest our Hon'ble Governor of Meghalaya Shri. Tathagata Roy. The Hon'ble Governor of Meghalaya pointed out that the event coincided with Teachers Day and he acknowledge the contributions of the teachers and paid tribute to Prof. S. Radhakrishnan, Former President of India and one of the most recognized and influential Indian Thinker in academic circles in the 20th century. Highlighting on the advancements and progress of Information Technology in the country, he noted though constraints were present though possible efforts are now being made to make fast inroads in this area. In his inaugural speech he regretted that Information Technology has reduced social interaction and reading habits among younger generations. While stating that progress is inevitable, he hoped that the printed word will continue to be valued and useful.

Finally, the programme concluded with a vote of thanks delivered by Dr. (Mrs.) E. Kharkongor, Co-Ordinator

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Proceedings of the Valedictory Sessions

The Two Day International Conference on *Bridging the Digital Divide* — *Role of Libraries and Information Centers with Special Reference to the North Eastern Region* had in attendance paper presenters drawn from Nepal, Bangladesh, and other participants from the national and local community besides other prominent dignitaries, experts and resource persons. The programme concluded with a valedictory function on the 6th of September, 2018 at 1:00 P. M. in the Conference Hall.

Shri. Kyrmen Shylla, Hon' ble Minister of Revenue and Disaster Management, Government of Meghalaya graced the function as the Chief Guest. The Programme began with the felicitation of the dignitaries by Dr. K.D Ramsiej, Principal Shillong College followed by the College Anthem presented by the College Choir.

The welcome address was delivered by Dr. K.D Ramsiej, Principal, Shillong College. He warmly welcomed the Chief Guest, Resource Persons, delegates and participants to

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the Valedictory function. While addressing the gathering he highlighted on the importance of the International Conference and especially on the role played by Libraries and Information Centers in bridging the Digital Divide which is the need of the hour to cope up with the national and global scenario in the dissemination of knowledge in the digital era. He also stressed on the importance of equipping the library with the latest ICTs and green library should be encourage as it contributes towards sustaining the environment. He further emphasize on the importance of ICT and its usefulness in transferring technologies to the young generation of the society and its contribution to the development and progress of various sectors. Dr. K.D. Ramsiej appreciated all the participants who have participated in the Conference in hope that they will be motivated in recognizing the importance of the theme and may very well contribute the same to their respective institution.

The rapporteur's report was presented by Smt. B. Lyngdoh, the report briefly highlighted on the entire proceedings that was discussed, deliberated during the different technical sessions and also noted that the sessions were highly interactive and the findings would be summarized to serve as suggestions for policy decisions.

The Participants Remarks were presented by Shri. Francis Nath, Assistant Librarian, Rain Forest Institute, Jorhat, Shri. Ashim Chetia, Assistant Librarian, Rain Forest Institute, Jorhat. The participants congratulated and appreciated the organisers for organising the International Conference on the burning issue in the field of Library and information Science like Green Libraries, Smart libraries, preservation of Indigenous knowledge, Library Resource Sharing Networks and Consortia as libraries are torch bearers for dissipation of knowledge to the society. They also expressed their gratitude for the excellent hospitality shown towards them and also for the arrangements made for the different technical sessions which had allowed satisfactory scope for presentations, discussions and deliberations. Finally, they also urged the college to organise more of this kind of conference for the benefit of the working professionals especially in the North Eastern Region.

This was followed by the valedictory address by the Chief Guest, Shri. Kyrmen Shylla, Hon'ble Minister of Revenue and Disaster Management, Government of Meghalaya. In his address he acknowledged the use of digital technologies in the world that has not only improved people's day-to-day life but it has also divided the world information haves and have-nots. The unequal access to information and communication



technologies which has led to a massive divide digitally, even though India being an emerging country in the growth of ICT, but its usage is centralized only in the urban areas as many peoples in the rural areas do not have the skills and abilities to ICTs usage. He also pointed out that North Eastern Region in particular though rich in natural resources had remains isolated and under-developed due to a lot of constraints in spite of the many initiative and packages that has been introduced by the State and Central Government. He also emphasized on the significant role plays by libraries and information centers in bridging the digital divide through the various services render to all, regardless of age, race or language. The global shift of library from traditional storehouses of knowledge to providing access to information from anywhere, anytime and any part of the world has brought a lot of changes not only to the libraries and information services but on the roles of the library professionals and today the librarians are being better recognized as information disseminators or communicators rather than custodians of information. On his Valedictory address the Chief Guest lauded the Shillong College Central Library and the IQAC, Shillong College for taking the initiative to organize the Conference which is importance and relevance in today's digital world and on behalf of the Government of Meghalaya, he assured to extend all possible help to help bridge the digital divide.

This was followed by the felicitation of the advisors of the International Conference by Shri. Kyrmen Shylla, Chief Guest to

- 1. Prof. B. Myrboh, President, Governing Body, Shillong College, Shillong
- 2. Prof. C. J. Thomas, Director, ICSSR-NERC, Shillong
- 3. **Prof. Pravakar Rath**, Dept. of Library & Information Science, Mizoram University, Mizoram
- 4. Prof. M. N. Naga, H.O.D, Library & Information Science, NEHU, Shillong
- 5. Dr. F. R. Sumer, Deputy Librarian, NEHU Central Library, Shillong

The programme concluded with a vote of thanks delivered by Dr. M. Dey, Vice Principal, Shillong College followed by the National Anthem.





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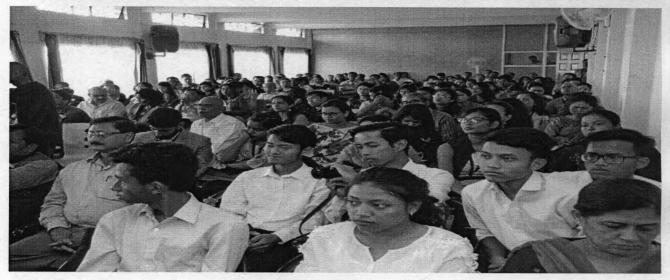














Report of the National Librarian's Day 2018 Organized by the Shillong College Central Library, Shillong.

The National Librarian's Day is celebrated on the 12th of August across India, in remembrance of Dr.S.R Ranganathan the father of Library Science.

Dr. S. R. Ranganathan was a mathematician and librarian from India. His most notable contributions to the field were his five laws of library science and the development of the first major analytico-synthetic classification system, the colon classification. He is considered to be the father of library science, documentation, and information science in India and is widely known throughout the rest of the world for his fundamental thinking in the field. His birthday is observed every year as the National Librarians Day in India.

Shillong College Central Library in collaboration with the New Book Centre, Laitumkhrah & the Khasi Book Stall, Mawkhar, Shillong organised a two day Book Fair Cum Sale Programme.

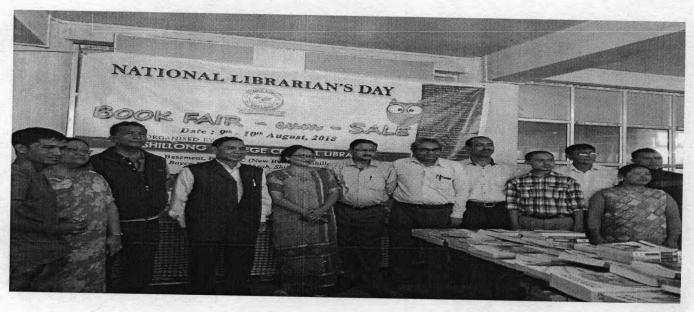
The National Librarian's Day Programme was started with the Inaugural function of the Book fair Cum Sale at 9:00 AM in the Ground floor, Block C (new Building) of the College. The welcome address was given by Smt. B. Lyngdoh, Librarian, Shillong College. While warmly welcoming the gathering she highlighted that learning is a vital process in the life of human beings which facilitates their development, the event was organized keeping in mind the presence of a wide array of subjects such as poems, books on history, geography, arts, culture, novels, cookbooks and stories among others, diversifies a student's reading and learning and also in order to provide a platform for all faculty members and students to directly interact with different publishers. She also focussed that the main objective of this educational and recreational fair exposure is to promote, encourage and inculcate the reading habit among the students so that they can gain firsthand knowledge of the treasure-house of knowledge and its richness and to foster in them the spirit of competition and excellence.

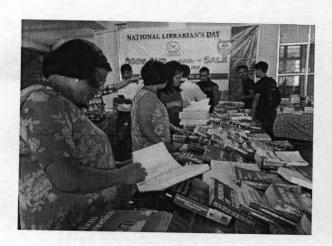
This was followed by an address from Dr. K. D Ramsiej, Principal, Shillong College, in which he stressed that Books are an integral part of an individual as they provide company, accentuates one's interests and are a good friend. He further stated that reading of books presents a student to discoveries, new information, ideas and a way of thinking that helps to solve problems. With these, a student becomes adequately equipped to identify and deal with arising issues in their life, access more books that ease their understanding of educational concepts that makes them exceptional students and aids in developing new hobbies and interests. Moreover, the fairs expose them to a world of publishing, marketing, and creative writing he appreciated the Department for organizing such programme because he believes that knowledge is the power which can be gained only by adopting the habit of reading good books.

The Book Fair Cum Sale programme saw an overwhelming response from faculty members and students. A wide range of books from all disciplines of education was displayed by both the Publishing Houses

The programme was graced by Bradley B. Rymbai and concluded with the vote of thanks delivered by Shri M.Niangti, Assistant Librarian, Shillong College followed by light refreshment.









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