

Category of Participants

Working or Sponsored Professionals etc. Rs. 1000/-
Bonafide Students/M. Phil/PhD Scholars Rs. 600/-

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Bank Name: State Bank of India

Branch: Main Branch, Prayagraj

Account Number: MCA 11075910932

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Important Dates to Remember

Last Date for Registration: 25th February 2020

(On-the-spot registration is also available)

Last date for submission of Articles/Papers: 31st January, 2020

Finalization of review & acceptance intimation: 10th February, 2020

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Prayagraj (Allahabad)

Prayagraj is one of the oldest cities in India. It is crowned in ancient scriptures as 'Prayag' or 'Tetrtharaj' and is considered the holiest of pilgrimage centre of India. It is situated at the confluence of three rivers- Ganga, Yamuna and the invisible Saraswati. The meeting point is known as Triveni and is very sacred to Hindus. It is the venue of many sacred fairs and rituals, and attracts thousands of pilgrims throughout the year. The Kumbh held in every six years and Mahakumbh in every 12 years at Prayagraj (Sangam) are the largest gatherings of pilgrims on this earth. It became a provincial capital during the Mughal Empire. With the Mughal decline, Prayagraj changed hands many times before being ceded to the British in 1801. From 1904 to 1949 the city was the capital of the United Provinces (now Uttar Pradesh). It was a centre of the Indian independence movement against British rule and witness of many important events in India's freedom struggle. In the early 20th century, University of Allahabad was the foremost center of learning in the country. Geographically, Prayagraj is located at 25.45°N 81.84°E in the southern part of the Uttar Pradesh. Prayagraj today is an important city where history, culture and religion create a confluence, much like the sacred rivers that caress it. The city is the judicial capital of Uttar Pradesh with Allahabad High Court being the highest judicial body in the state. The city is very well connected by train, bus, car, and air.

Accommodation

The weather of Prayagraj (Allahabad) during conference will be moderate and pleasant varying between 15-30°C. Limited accommodation can be arranged to the outstation participants on prior request with advance payment in nearby Guest House/Hotel. They are advised to contact the organizing secretary for advice or support.

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Government Public Library Prayagraj (Allahabad)

Government Public Library Prayagraj, earlier known as Allahabad Government Public Library, is situated at Prayagraj (Allahabad), Uttar Pradesh (India). The government of North-Western Provinces established this library in 1864. This is one of the oldest public libraries not only in Uttar Pradesh but also India. Beautiful building of this library is an architectural marvel of eighteenth century and remarkable example of Gothic architecture style. This is apex (category 5th) Public Library of Uttar Pradesh and is only public libraries of Uttar Pradesh in this category. The library is giving positive thrust to book-culture and related activities with maximum number of readership in Uttar Pradesh. Beautiful aspect of its readership is that people of sixteen different states of India have registered himself in this library. This public library is one of the world's magnificent repositories of cultural heritage and treasure-house of knowledge. Now the library is functioning under the administrative control of Department of Higher Education, Government of Uttar Pradesh. Honorable Governor of Uttar Pradesh has constituted a high power management committee for effective management of library. The first sitting of upper house of the U.P. 'Legislative Council of the North-Western Province of Awadh' had taken place in this library on January 08, 1887. Many great personalities of India and even in the world have been among the borrowers of this Library. Dr SR Rangnathan had visited in this library in 1967. The first centenary celebration of this library was solemnized on 12th November, 1964 in the presence of the Prime Minister Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri, and in his address he equated the Allahabad University, High Court and the Public Library as the modern Triveni like the Triveni of river Ganga, Yamuna and Sarasvati.

Raja Rammohun Roy Library Foundation

RRRLF is an autonomous organization under the Ministry of Culture, Government of India. The basic idea behind establishing the RRRLF was to take the library movement to every town and village, in co-operation with the State Governments, Union Territory Administration and Voluntary Organizations. It is the nodal agency of central government to coordinating, monitoring and developing public library services in the country. In order to improve library facilities in the country, the RRRLF has adopted certain schemes.

About the Conference

One of the most precious and prestigious possession of a state is its public library. They are playing very significant role in the welfare of society to fulfill their multiple fundamental needs like dissemination of information, education, recreation and socio-cultural development. This role becomes more crucial in developing country like India. This seminar is being organized on the occasion of silver jubilee year of implementation of IFLA/UNESCO Public Library Manifesto. The main objective of this seminar is to provide a forum for discussion and exchange of ideas on the main theme as well as various

sub-themes. The seminar will provide useful overview and evaluate present scenario of public libraries. It will examine the current pattern through which public libraries are passing and will focus upon every important issue that required for their repositioning. Here will be discussed various issues & challenges of public libraries which ultimately lands a threat to their real growth. The seminar will suggest appropriate measures on all these issues. The seminar will help to transform the situation in the best possible level and provide approach for future development.

Prospective Participants

- Library & Information Science professionals
- Library & Information Science Researchers and Students
- Educationists, Academicians, Policy makers and Government Officials
- Information Technology professionals
- Information providers and stakeholders in the knowledge industry

Conference Theme and Sub Themes

*Repositioning of Public Libraries in changing society:
Problems and Prospects*

Sub-Themes

Theme is divided into several Sub-themes as detailed below, but not necessarily limited to:

Public Libraries Movements & Developments

- Public library movement in India/abroad
- Evaluation of Public Library System
- An overview of public libraries network
- Role of International & National Organizations/Associations in development of Public Libraries.
- Public libraries and corporate social responsibility

Public Libraries Management

- Public Libraries Management and Challenges
- Human Resource Development in Public Libraries
- Financial, Budget provisions for Public Libraries
- Collection development & Stock verification
- Administrative Organizational setup for Public Libraries
- Education, Training & Skill development for Public Library professionals

Public libraries in the 21st Century

- Emerging trends of Public Libraries
- Future of Indian Public Libraries
- Relevance of Public Libraries in digital era
- Users expectations from Public Libraries
- Cooperation/Networking/Resource sharing in Public Libraries

Technology and Public Libraries

- Needs of public libraries modernization
- Useful tools and technologies for Public Libraries
- Introduction of new technologies in Public Libraries

- Digital/E-resource and public libraries
- E-Governance and Public Libraries

Public Libraries Services and their Promotion/Marketing

- Public Library Services; Best Practices
- Promotion and marketing of Public Libraries Products
- Service Quality in Public Libraries
- ICT & Activity based Library service
- Extension services in public libraries

Library Legislation

- Library Legislation: Indian & International Scenario
- Library Legislation and Implementation: Issues and Challenges
- Government Initiatives towards improvements of Public Libraries
- National policy for Public Libraries development
- IPR/Copyright/Digital Rights Management(DRM)

Role of Public Libraries in community development

- Public Libraries and Continue Education
- Public libraries as Local Information Center
- Public libraries as knowledge resource center
- Outreach activities in public libraries
- A developing society and its library needs

Paper Submission Guidelines

Original contributions based on practice, theoretical and empirical studies, case studies etc. are invited on the theme and sub-themes. All papers will go through a process of peer review by a panel of editors and they will have the right to edit/reject the papers. Accepted papers will be published in conference volume with.

Author(s) should use Times New Roman with 12 point font in MS word format in double space with the APA reference style. Length of the paper should not exceed 5,000 words. The name, full address, email and phone numbers of the author(s) should be clearly mentioned for future correspondence. All papers should provide an abstract of 150 words and also 4-6 keywords. Author would submit copyright declaration form and the submitted paper should be plagiarism free. Submitted paper must not have been published or presented elsewhere.

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Registration Fee (Per Participant)

The registration fee (non-refundable and non-transferable) includes Conference kit, All sessions, Lunch, Refreshment etc.