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ON

"Technological Transformations in Agricultural Library and Information Systems and Services in the AI Era"

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BACKGROUND:

The advances in digital technologies play a critical role in shaping the future of libraries. The digital revolutions in broadband, mobile devices, social networking and cloud computing have led to a fundamental transformation of physical libraries into the digital domain. The library and information services offered by libraries and information agencies have been greatly impacted and transformed by emerging technologies. "Libraries adapting to accommodate new applications of technology for learning, research, and information" is something that will happen very soon. It is necessary to think about implementing new technologies, upholding standards, and providing users with services that follow best practices. Recent developments in technology suggest that artificial intelligence can potentially be produced in machines. According to this perspective, intelligent systems are created to increase human potential. Libraries are compelled to embrace artificial intelligence (AI) in order to expand the range of services they offer, due to the significant advantages that come with its application. This International conference addresses the possible usefulness of AI in libraries after providing an outline of AI in the real world. Professionals will benefit from the deliberation on use of AI in libraries in the machine learning environment.

ASSOCIATION OF AGRICULTURAL LIBRARIES AND DOCUMENTALISTS OF INDIA (AALDI)

The Association of Agricultural Librarians and Documentalists of India (AALDI) was founded in 1971 with an aim to bring Agricultural Librarians of the country on a platform to join hands to address matters of professional interests in improving library system and services towards the agricultural user community. The Association held its General Body meeting at Jawaharlal Nehru Krishi Vishwa Vidyalaya, Jabalapur in June 1973 and decided to publish a periodical entitled "AALDI Bulletin" annually to give vent to the intellectual thought of the Agricultural Library Professionals. The efforts of the Association bore fruits in 1974 when the first volume of the periodical saw the light of the day. To keep pace with the changing scenario and concept of agricultural librarianship, the title of the periodical was changed to "Indian Journal of Agricultural Library and Information Services" in 2008. It is important to note that the journal has been approved by the UGC vide UGC Journal Identification No. 64538. AALDI is a non-profit organization based in in India that supports development in the entire field of Agricultural librarianship in India. The AALDI undertakes supports, coordinate, organizes general/special meetings and hold conferences every years on current problems of Libraries and Information services and other allied areas are selected as themes for discussions on these occasions. During the last International conference which was held at PAU, Ludhiana discussions were held to finalize the venue to hold the next international conference. Dr. U. S. Jadhav, Deputy Librarian, KVAFSU, Bidar submitted necessary proposal to host next International Conference in KVAFSU and it was approved by the General body meeting and necessary permission was accorded to the "Karnataka Veterinary, Animal and Fisheries Sciences University, Bidar" to host the 4th International Conference of AALDI in a befitting manner in the month of November 2024.

About the University

Karnataka Veterinary, Animal and Fisheries Sciences University (KVAFSU), Bidar was established exclusively for the development of education and learning; conduct of research and extension education and transfer the rural oriented technologies in the areas of Veterinary, Animal, Dairy and Fisheries Sciences in Karnataka as per the Karnataka Act No. 9 of 2004 and published in Karnataka Gazette on 23rd February, 2004.

KVAFSU is an autonomous academic institution governed by its Board of Management which regulates the policies of the university in accordance with the provision of act and statues. The constituent Colleges of the KVAFSU include Veterinary Colleges at Bengaluru, Bidar, Shivamogga, Hassan, Gadag and Athani; Dairy Science Colleges at Bengaluru and Kalaburgi and College of Fisheries at Mangaluru, Institute of Animal Health and Veterinary Biologicals (IAH&VB), Bengaluru and 10 Research Centers. The University endeavour is to keep pace with new frontiers of science and contemporary developments to be socially and technically relevant. In this context, the Karnataka Veterinary, Animal and Fisheries Sciences University is strongly committed in absorbing newer paradigms and using them to develop excellent human resource, innovative technologies and their dissemination so as to serve the livestock and fishery farming community of the state and the country.

About KVAFSU Library

The Karnataka Veterinary, Animal and Fisheries Sciences University, (KVAFSU) Library strengthens and enhances the teaching, research and services of the university. The Library promotes intellectual growth and creativity by developing collections, facilitating access to information resources, teaching, research and extension. Library is considered to be the heart of an educational institution. Libraries play a very important role in teaching, learning and research, and their main objective is to support the teaching, learning and research activities of the institution. The KVAFSU Library is engaged in developing; organizing, providing access among available resources to meet the information needs of students, scholars and faculty members of the university. In a nutshell the University Library and Information Centre has very rich collections print and non-print documents viz., of books, e-books (CABI, Elsevier, Wiley, Net base), e-journals, database such as J-Gate Agriculture and Biological Sciences (CeRA), Krishi Kosh, Indianjournal.com and many more. The Library and Information Centre resources are being made available through offline/online. The KVAFSU library endeavours to explore and to implement innovative technologies and services to deliver information and scholarly resources conveniently to users anytime/anyplace.

The University Library is hosting an International conference of Agricultural Librarians and users committee on the role of Agriculture Library in the networked Digital environment. The conference is scheduled to be held on November 2024 on 22nd and 23rd for the 1st time in Bidar and also in the history of KVAFSU.

About Bidar City

The name of Bidar appears to be derived from 'bidiru' which means bamboo. The place seems to have been known for bamboo clusters in the past. Bidar is a hill-top city situated on the deccan plateau, in the north-eastern part of Karnataka state with a distance of 700 km from Bengaluru (capital city of Karnataka state) and about 140 km from Hyderabad (capital city of the Telangana state). However, owing to its rich heritage, the city has a prominent place in the Archaeological Map of India. Bidar town is elevated above 600 MSL (mean sea level) with an annual rainfall of about 780 mm.

The city, Bidar is known for its 'Bidri handicraft' products, and its rich history. Bidar is also considered one of the holiest places for Sikh pilgrimage. Unlike other places in the region, Bidar is the coolest and wettest place in north Karnataka. Bidar is home for the second biggest Indian Air Force training centre in the country. Madrasa of Mahmud Gawan at Bidar, Karnataka has been a shining example of education and learning which was built in 1472. This institute was functional for two centuries and is now an important historical site.

Places of visit in and around Bidar :

Gurudwara Bidar is one of Holiest Place for Sikhs. Every year this place attracts lots of tourists from all parts of the country particularly during the months of November and March. Legend Saint Guru Nanak visited the place while the land was in the grip of a famine. The Guru performed a miracle at the request of the locals and a spring of water from the laterite rock mountain burst out. Till date, crystal clear water flows from the laterite trap and there is a belief that drinking of this water cures many ailments.

Guru Nanak Jhira, Bidar

As per the local traditional saying, the Shiva Linga idol in this temple is one of those installed by Shri RAM during the time of his journey back from Lanka. The location of the temple in a valley is mesmerizing to the eyes. Every year at the time of Shivrathri festival, lot of tourists visit this place. A natural spring flows into a pond in front of the temple which is called 'Papnasha'

Papnash Shiva Temple at Bidar

The powerful deity as per the belief here is situated in the cave of nearly 300 meters. One has to wade through water up to chest height to have darshan of the deity. The image of Lord Narasimha is found on a laterite wall at the end of the tunnel. Devotees carry small children on their shoulders. Though the water in the cave is muddy owing to constant wading through it by the crowd, it is meant to have sulphur with healing properties, which treats skin issues.

Papnash Shiva Temple at Bidar

Bidar Fort is considered as one of the most formidable forts of India. The fort was distinctly planned and built on the brink of the Deccan plateau by Sultan Ahmed Wali between AD 1426 to AD 1432. It is surrounded by 5.5 kms of defense wall consisting of 37 massive polygonal bastions and 7 strong irregular rhombic shaped gates. This fort is unique due to its triple moat defence which was made by Turkish mercenaries in resemblance to Medieval European forts. The monuments namely Takht Mahal, Tarkash Mahal, Rangeen Mahal, Gagan Mahal, Solah Khamba

Bidar Fort

Mosque and Naubat Khana are noteworthy in the fort. It has collection of swords, guns, canon, canon balls used during Bahamani sultanate period and Barid Shahi well preserved by Archeological survey of India (ASI).

Basavakalyana is famous for the world's tallest Basavanna statue, which stands 108 feet high. Before India's independence, Basavakalyan was called Kalyani. After independence and division of states on linguistic basis in 1956, Kalyana was renamed as Basavakalyan in memory of Vishwaguru Basavanna, who was a great revolutionary who established spiritual democracy called "Anubhava Mantapa" (which is also called as the "First Parliament of the World" led by Saint Allamprabhu) in the 12th century in India.

108 feet - Lord Basavanna statue

Weather: During November, the weather is mostly expected to be pleasant. The temperature may range from 16^0C (Min) to 24^0C (Max).

Clothing: Regular clothing with light woolens or other warm clothing for the evenings, especially outdoors, is recommended.

Connectivity :   By Air - The nearest airport to Bidar is Rajiv Gandhi International Airport (Hyderabad) about 140 km by road.

By Train : Bidar is well connected by rail from Hyderabad, Bangalore and Mumbai. Visitors/ Participants can also take the train to Gulbarga city and from there take a bus to Bidar, which is about two and half hours journey.

By Road : There are regular Government (KSRTC) and private buses which ply from Bangalore via Hyderabad NH 7 and NH 9; the journey takes nearly 13 hours. Hyderabad is about 120 km from Bidar and Zahirabad, Telangana is about 31 km.

About the International Conference

The advances in digital technologies play a critical role in shaping the future of libraries. The digital revolutions in broadband, mobile devices, social networking and cloud computing have led to a fundamental transformation of physical libraries into the digital domain. Today's technology-driven world has forced academic institutions to continuously work to increase academic productivity by creating and approving the use of cutting-edge digital tools that can be used for research, teaching, and learning. By utilizing these prominent technologies, libraries have created opportunities for themselves to take advantage of the use of many contemporary digital technologies, ostensibly creating new procedures, services, and methods to satisfy the ever-increasing demands of their devoted patrons. So far, AALDI had organized seven National and three International Conferences since 2009. The latest International Conference was held in 2023 at Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana. During the office bearers meeting it was decided to hold the next International Conference of AALDI to have a network of professionals from across the globe to take our profession to the next level.

Hence, this year the fourth International Conference of AALDI is being organized at Karnataka Veterinary Animal and Fisheries Sciences University, Bidar in association with the Association of Agricultural Librarians and Documentalists of India **(AALDI)** during November 22nd & 23rd 2024, on the theme **"Technological Transformations in Agricultural Library and Information Systems and Services in the AI Era".** The Conference will be held in hybrid mode.

Sub-Themes

1. Modern Libraries and Information Systems

- ICT application in Agricultural Libraries
- Agricultural Knowledge Information System
- Web based agricultural Information system
- Re-engineering of agricultural libraries
- Agricultural Libraries knowledge web
- Open Science in Agricultural information system
- Transformation of Libraries, information resources, services, and products
- Digital Libraries and digital transformations
- Library consortia, e-Resources management in agricultural libraries
- Knowledge organization and technology driven libraries

2. Transformation of Agricultural Libraries in the Digital Era

- Key trends in digital transformation
- Drives digital transformation
- Web 2.0 &3.0 in Agriculture
- Internet of Things in Libraries
- Intelligent library Search Services
- Web Scale discovery
- Crowd sourcing and crowd funding in libraries
- Content Management System
- Social Network Analysis
- Federated Search
- Block chain Technology
- Big Data Applications
- Big Scholarly Data
- Research Data Management in Agriculture
- QR Codes in Libraries
- Cloud Computing
- Web Portals
- Data Engineering and Architecture
- Data Mining Applications
- Data Visualization
- Data Warehousing and Security
- Data Processing for Networks
- Data Clustering in agriculture
- Ontology, Interoperability and Semantic Web

3. Open Science

- Open Source in Agriculture
- Open data
- Open Methodology
- Open Peer Review
- Open Access
- Open Educational Resources
- Open Access Digital Repositories,
- Open Access e-Resources including OA books,
- OA Journals,
- OA databases, etc.,
- Open Scholarship Initiatives;
- OA initiatives in Libraries in India with emphasis on Agricultural Libraries

4. Innovative Library Services

- Artificial Intelligence- AI
- Library Services reached at un-reached
- Machine Learning in Libraries
- Big Data Applications
- ChatGPT Machine Learning in library Operations and services
- Virtual Reality
- Supervised and Unsupervised Learning
- Natural Language Processing
- Cyber-Physical Systems
- Cyber Security in libraries
- Maker Space
- Mobile based library services
- Digital Literacynb
- Information Literacy
- Publication Ethics
- Plagiarism in Publications
- Copy rights and Institutional Property Rights
- Bibliometrics, Scientometrics, altmetrics
- Information seeking behavior,
- Library Use and User studies
- Reference Management Systems
- Social Media Applications in Knowledge organizations
- Next generation Libraries
- Future of Libraries
- Leadership and new normal
- Boundary less organization –challenges and opportunities
- Crisis Leadership, Organizational Resiliency

OBJECTIVES:

- To provide a platform for exchange of knowledge, ideas and experience of Librarians, Information Specialists, Scientists, Information Providers and LIS faculty in general and Agricultural Librarians in particular.
- To identify emerging technologies and innovations in the field of Library and Information Science and to sensitize the LIS professionals to cater to the increasing information requirements of the stakeholders of NARES.

The aim of this International Conference is to provide a platform to researchers and practicing librarians to discuss, deliberate and flourish the dimensions of the themes and sub-themes.

TARGET AUDIENCE:

Working Librarians, Library Professionals, Information Specialists, Academicians, IT professionals, Scientists, Students, LIS Faculty and stakeholders of Agricultural Librarianship.

CALL FOR PAPERS:

Papers are invited on the above theme based on research experience or theoretical model, case studies from the LIS fraternity, including students, librarians, academicians, research scholars and IT professionals. The papers should be relevant to the theme and sub-themes of the conference presenting new and original research findings, working experience, theoretical models, and case studies. All the submitted papers will undergo peer-review process. The decision of the editorial committee is final in the selection of papers. Once the paper is accepted the decision will be intimated to authors to pay registration fee. Without the registration fee, paper will not be accepted for printing in the conference proceedings.

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS :

- Font : Times New Roman
- Title: The title should be with Font size 16 pt.
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- Authors have to give an undertaking regarding surrendering copyright in favour of AALDI.
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- Corresponding author is required to sign the Copyright License Agreement in favour of AALDI.
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- At least one of the authors (In case of joint authorship) must register for the conference on or before the last date of registration. The accepted papers will be published in the conference proceeding with ISBN only after receipt of registration fee.
- Conference proceeding will be given only to the participants/authors who register for the conference.

IMPORTANT DATES :

Deadline for paper submission	1st September 2024
Last date of Registration	31st October 2024
Conference Dates	22nd and 23rd November 2024

REGISTRATION FEES :

Delegates from India		
1	Working Professionals	Rs. 3000=00
2	Retired Professionals / Students	Rs. 2000=00
3	Accompanying person	Rs. 2000=00
Delegates from Abroad		
4	Working Professionals	$ 250.00
5	Retired Professionals / Students	$ 100.00

Registration Fee includes Registration Kit, Working Lunch, Conference dinner, Welcome, Valedictory & Session Tea. Registration fee may be paid online to the following account or sent by Demand Draft drawn in favour of "Organizing Secretary ICALUC-2024"

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