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TRAINING PROGRAMMES SEMINARS / WORKSHOPS FOR LIBRARIANS CONDUCTED BY NLDSB

- Training Programme for Pirivena Librarians of Western Province 04.07.2006. NLDSB.
- Training Programme for Pirivena Librarians of Gampaha District. 25-27.07.2006. Ambeputsa Senanayake Pirivena
- Training Programme on Information Communication Technology for Librarians 20-22.07.2006 NLDSB.
- Seminar for Teacher Librarians of North Central Province 14-15.09.2006 Anuradhapura.
- Seminar for Teacher Librarians of Ambalangoda Education Zone. 22-23.09.2006 Balapitiya Teacher Training College.
- Training Programme for Teacher Librarians of National Schools 23.10.2006 NLDSB.
- Training programme on Information Communication Technology for Librarians 12-14.10.2006 NLDSB.
- Training Programme for Librarians attached to the Police Department 20-21.11.2006 NLDSB.
- Workshop on Conservation and Preservation of Library Material 15-17.11.2006

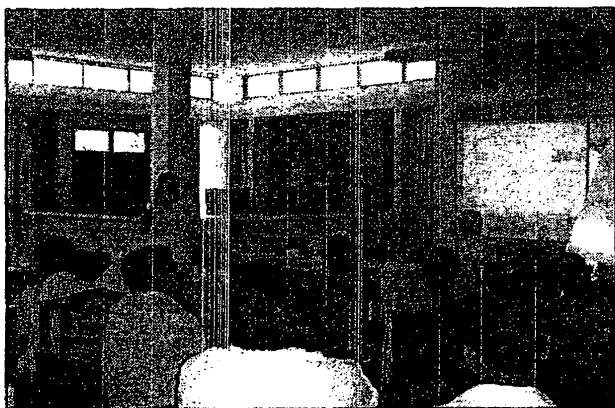
- Training Programme for School Librarians of Akuressa Education Zone- 01.12.2006 Thelijjawila Madya Maha Vidyalaya.
- Training Programme for Pirivena Librarians of Ratnapura District 12-14.12.2006 - Avissavella Vidyayathana Pirivena



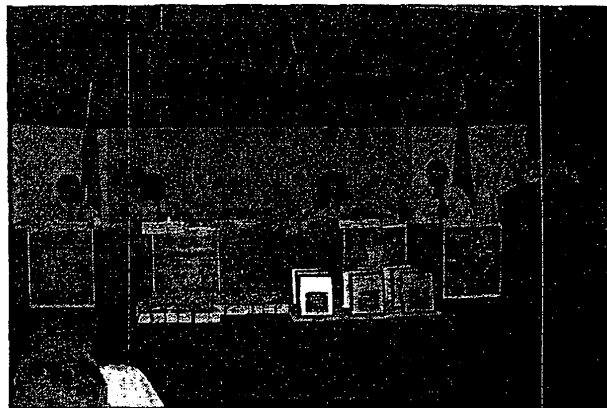
A training programme for Pirivena Librarians

SEMINAR ON NATIONAL LIBRARY SERVICES AND RESOURCES

A seminar on national library resources and services was held for the researchers of the Sabaragamuva University of Sri Lanka on 03.10.2006. About 51 researchers of the university participated this seminar. Prof. Rohana P. Mahaliyanarachchi, Mr. G. D. Amarasiri, Mrs. Amara Nanayakkara, Mrs. Jasinth Senavirathna and Mrs. Senani Bandara served as resource persons. This is the fifth seminar of the seminar series conducted for researchers of universities.



A session of the seminar on National Library resources



Inauguration of the National Reading Month

NATIONAL READING MONTH 2006

A circular was sent to make aware the public, school, pirivena libraries, cultural centers, local government institutions and other government institutions about the National Reading Month.

Winners of essay competition held to mark 2005 National Reading Month were awarded certificates in October 2006.

An islandwide poster competition was conducted to mark the National Reading Month. Publicity was given on these activities through media. A press conference on the National Reading Month was held on 04.10.2007 at the NLDSB auditorium.

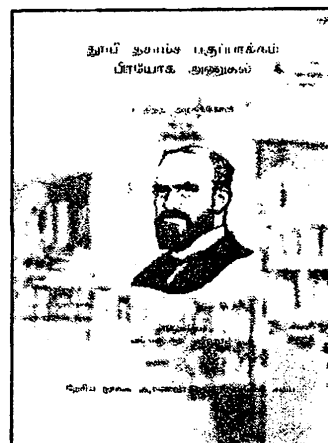
The main ceremony of the National Reading Month was held on 12.10.2006 at the NLDSB auditorium under the auspices of Hon. Susil Premajayantha, Minister of Education. A Canadian book exhibition and a donation of books to tsunami affected libraries were also held on the same day.

For the poster competition held to mark the National Reading Month, 274 posters were received for the school section and 54 posters were received for the adult section.

An exhibition of winning posters were held and the exhibition was opened by Hon. Mahinda Yapa Abeywardana, Minister of Cultural Affairs and National Heritage.

DEWEY DECIMAL CLASSIFICATION -TAMIL TRANSLATION

Mr M. S. M. Shiham, Library Assistant of the National Library and Documentation Services Board has translated book “Divi Dasama Vargeekaranaya-prayogika praveshayak” (Dewey Decimal Classification-A practical Approach) into Tamil. This book contains information on basic aspects of DDC such as introduction to DDC, relative index, auxiliary tables, notations for subdivisions, number building etc. This book has been published by the NLDSB.



SEMINAR ON ISBN PROJECT

The Publication and Book Development Division of the NLDSB conducted a seminar on International Standard Book Numbering Project on 27.07.2006. Mr. W. Sunil, Miss Janaki Fernando, Mrs Srma Suriyabandara and Mr. Sandaruvan Liyanarachchi delivered lectures at the seminar. About 40 publishers participated at the seminar.

SEMINAR FOR NEW WRITERS

The Publication and Book Development Division of the NLDSB conducted a seminar on writing skills for new writers on 20.10.2006. Prof. J. B. Disanayake Mr. W. A. Abeysinghe, Mr. W. Sunil and Mr. Nelson Peiris served as resource persons.

COURSE ON INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY FOR INFORMATION MANAGEMENT

A Training course on Information Technology for Information Management organised by the SAARC Documentation Centre, India was held in New Delhi, India from 28.08.2006 to 29.09.2006. Mr Chaminda Himesh De Silva, Computer Programmer/System Analyst of the National Library and Documentation Services Board participated at the training course.



Participants of the training course

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON DIGITAL LIBRARIES - INDIA

The International Conference on Digital Libraries organised by the Energy and Resource Institute, India was held in New Delhi, India from 05.12.2006 to 08.12.2006. Mr. W. S. Punyawardhana, Deputy Director of the NLDSB participated at the conference.

BOOK EXHIBITIONS CONDUCTED BY NLDSB

NLDSB held five book exhibitions from July to December 2006. Of these, one was held in Galle, three exhibitions in Colombo and the other was in Kataragama.

SLLA SEMINARS

- The workshop on Communication Skills and Best practices in Office Management was conducted on 22.11.2007 at the Sri Lanka Foundation Institute (SLFI).
- The workshop on Life long Learning through Community Information provision in a Digital Environment from 6th to 7th December 2006 at the SLFI.
- The workshop on WINISIS for librarians of technical education and training colleges was held from 27-11-2006 to 01-12-2006 at the SLFI



Inauguration of a workshop

SEMINAR ON LIVELIHOOD DEVELOPMENT IN TSUNAMI AFFECTED AREAS THROUGH SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY INFORMATION

The Special Committee on Science and Technology information of the National Science Foundation in collaboration with the NLDSB conducted the seminar with a view to help to improve the livelihood of the tsunami affected rural community in Sri Lanka. The seminar was conducted at the auditorium of the NLDSB on 26 and 27 October 2006. Thirty two participants comprising of librarians, community development officers and vidatha officers from tsunami affected areas attended the seminar. Hon Salinda Disanayake, Deputy Minister of Science and Technology inaugurated the seminar and Dr. M. C. N. Jayasuriya, Director, NSF delivered the welcome address. Mr. M. S. U Amarasiri,

chairman of the Special Committee on Science and Technology information of the NSF also addressed the gathering.

SEMINAR FOR SLSTINET MEMBERS

The third SLSTINET seminar for SLSTINET librarians was conducted by the National Science Foundation on 14th July 2006. The seminar was attended by 46 librarians and information professionals in the country. The seminar included the following presentations.

Mr Tharanga Ranasinghe - Internet search engines and online search strategies for librarians.

Mrs Watmanel Seneviratne - Build up virtual connectivity to distance library users.

Mrs Sumana Jayasuriya - Full text online journal and other e-resources .

Mr Hemantha Muthukumarana and his team from Sri Lanka Institute of Information Technology demonstrated a new library management system developed by them. Ms Irangani Peiris, Librarian, CARP demonstrated search interface developed for the distribution of WINISIS databases on CDs

THE AGRINET USER SEMINAR

AGRINET Advisory Committee conducted a AGRINET user seminar at the Postgraduate Institute of Agriculture, Peradeniya on 23rd November 2006 for researchers attached to the Department of Export Agriculture, Matale.

The objective of the seminar was to create awareness among scientists on scientific information resources in the country and to promote the use of electronic information media. Twenty researchers and librarians of the Department of Export Agriculture attended the seminar. The topics of the presentations are as follows :

- Electronic Information Resources Available at CARP
- AGRINET Services for Agriculture Scientists
- Scientific Information Services of National Science Foundation
- E-journals with special reference to INASP
- On-line Information for Export crops

FORTHCOMING CONFERENCES

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE IN LIBRARY SCIENCE INFORMATION SCIENCE AND DOCUMENTATION

Duration : 21-23 October 2007

Venue : Ferrol, Galicia, Spain

Organised by : University of Coruna

E. mail : rjarazo@ndc.es

URL : www.conferencealerts.com/seeconf.my

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON LIBRARIES

Duration : 31.10.2007-02.11.2007

Venue : Penang, Malaysia

Organised by : University Sains Malaysia Libraries

URL : www.lib.lib.usm.my/elmu-equip/lcol2007

THE 10th INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON ASIAN DIGITAL LIBRARIES (ICADL 2007)

Duration : 10-13 December 2007

Venue : Hanoi, Vietnam

URL : <http://icadl2007vista.gov.vn/>

**UOC UNESCO CHAIR IN E-LEARNING
IV INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR**

Duration : 17-19 October 2007
Venue : Barcelona, Spain
URL : [ww.uoc.edu/symposia/
international_seminar_07](http://ww.uoc.edu/symposia/international_seminar_07)

Venue : Singapore

Organised by : International Federation of
Library Associations and
Institutions (IFLA) and
National Library Board,
Singapore

E-mail : Jenny@singex.com.sg

URL : [http://www.nlbconference.com/
ilds/articlelist.asp](http://www.nlbconference.com/ilds/articlelist.asp)

**THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE
ON THE DIGITAL PRESERVATION :
DIGITAL PRESERVATION :
SUSTAINABLE PROGRAMS AND BEST
PRACTICES**

Duration : 11-12 October 2007
Venue : National Science Library,
Chinese Academy of
Science, Beijing, China
URL : <http://ipres.las.ac.cn/>

**3rd RIZAL LIBRARY INTERNATIONAL
CONFERENCE : FROM CLASS ROOM
TO CAREER : ROAD MAPS TO A
LIBRARY'S SUCCESS**

Duration : 22-24 October 2007
Venue : Ateneo de Manila University,
Quezon City, Philippines
Organised by : Rizal Library International
Conference
E-mail : conference_rizallibrary@yahoo
URL : [http://rizal.lib.admu.edu-ph/
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**10th INTERLENDING AND DOCUMENT
SUPPLY INTERNATIONAL
CONFERENCE : RESOURCE SHARING
FOR THE FUTURE : BUILDING
BLOCKS TO SUCCESS**

Duration : 29-31 October 2007

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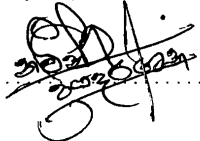
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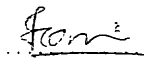
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