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PUBLICATION ASSISTANT PROJECT ON CHILDREN'S AND YOUTH LITERATURE

National Library and Documentation Services Board has started a publication assistance project on children's and youth literature. The objective of this project is to encourage writers of children's and youth literature, promotion of reading habit among children and making available additional reading material for school children. Further information on this project can be obtained from the publication division of the National Library and Documentation Services Board.

WORKSHOP ON NATIONAL LIBRARY RESOURCES AND SERVICES

National Library and Documentation Services Board (NLDSB) conducted a seminar on resources and services of the National Library on 04.08.2012 for the academic staff of the Uva College of Education, Bandarawela. This is one of the seminar series organised by the NLDSB to make aware the professional community in the country about the resources.

and services of the National Library. Miss Janaki Fernando, library consultant, Mr. G.D. Amarasiri, Director, NLDSB and Mr. W. Sunil, Deputy Director, NLDSB served as resource persons.

WORKSHOP ON LIBRARY RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

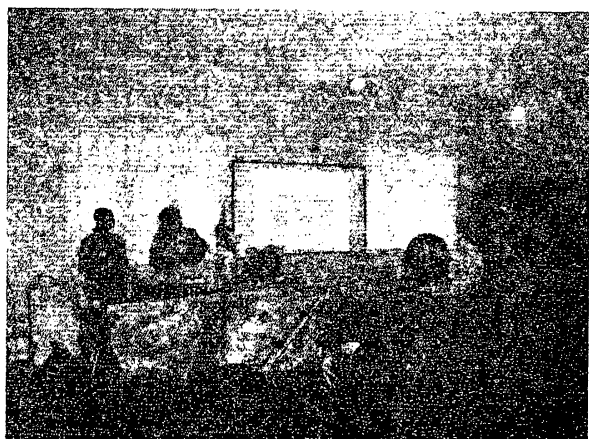
National Library and Documentation Services Board conducted a workshop on library research methodology on 27.09.2012. This was the fourth workshop of the workshop series on library research methodology. The objective of the workshop was to make aware the library professionals about the library research methodology. Mr. H.M. Gunarathna Banda, former Assistant Director General National Institute of Education, Dr. Swarna Ukwatta, Senior Lecturer, Department of Demography, University of Colombo. Mr. G.D. Amarasiri, Director, National Library and Documentation Services Board served as resource persons.

WORKSHOP ON COMPILATION OF DOCUMENTATION SOURCES

National Library and Documentation Services Board conducted a workshop on Compilation of Documentation Sources on 23.08.2012. The objective of this workshop was to make aware the library professionals about the compilation of documentation sources. Mr. W. Sunil, Deputy Director, National Library and Documentation Services Board, Miss Janaki Fernando, library consultant served as resource persons

TRAINING PROGRAMMES CONDUCTED BY NLDSB

- 1) Training Programme for Pirivena Librarians, Ampara 20 - 21.09.2012
- 2) Training Programme for Public Librarians, Mannar, 17 - 18.07.2012
- 3) Training Programme for Public Librarians, Yakkala 06 -07.09.2012
- 4) Training Programme for Public Librarians, Pannala. 10 - 11, 09.2012



NATIONAL LIBRARY STUDY TOURS

National Library and Documentation Centre organized following National Library study tours during the period from July to September 2012.

- * Study tour for 105 students and teachers of Amugoda Maha Vidyalaya on 27.07.2012
- * Study tour for the teachers and students of Mahanama Maha Vidyalaya on 31.07.2012
- * Study tour for 40 members of the reader society of Kirindiwela Public Library on 30.08.2012

BOOK DONATIONS TO LIBRARIES

National Library and Documentation Services Board (NLDSB) donates books to underprivileged libraries in the country. During the period from July to September, NLDSB has donated 9610 books to 195 libraries. The value of books donated was Rs.1875,791

CONFERENCE ON WORLD IN THE DIGITAL AGE : DIGITIZATION AND PRESERVATION

The symposium on world in the digital age : digitisation and preservation was held in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada from 26 to 28 September 2012. This conference was organised by UNESCO's memory of the world programme in cooperation with the School of Library, Archival and information studies and with the Library of the Universtiy of British

Columbia. This was a three day conference on preservation of documentary heritage. Mr. Udaya Cabral, Head of the Document Conservation and preservation Division of the National Library and Documentation Services Board participated the conference.

- * Wadduwa Public Library, grade II
- * Gampaha Public Library grade I

GRADING OF LIBRARIES

Grading of different types of libraries in the country is a project carried out by the National Library and Documentation Services Board. Under this project following libraries have been graded during the period from July to September 2012.

- * Bandaranayake Memorial Library - Minuwangoda - Grade III
- * Ranawiru Public Library - Minuwangoda - Grade III
- * Thanthirimulla Public Library, Panadura - Grade III
- * Polgampala Public Library, Agalawatta - Grade III
- * Diyabeduma Public Library Alahera - Grade III
- * Amcer Merza Public Library - Grade III
- * Naththandiya Public Library - Grade II
Galgamuwa Public Library grade II

NATIONAL READING MONTH 2012

Preliminary activities have been carried out for the celebration of the National Reading Month 2012. The National Reading Month is celebrated in October every year. Two reading camps have been conducted in Jaffna and Monaragala. The other activities due to be carried out to mark the National Reading Month 2012 will be seminars for authors and publishers, book donations to libraries, free membership to readers during October, presentation of awards to libraries which carried out reading promotion activities in 2011, national library study tours, media publicity etc.. The national ceremony of the National Reading Month 2012 will be held at the Sri Lanka Foundation Institute on 31.10.2012 under the patronage of Hon. Bandula Gunawardana, Ministr of Education.

SECOND REPRINT OF DDC 21

National Library and Documentation Services Board has published the second reprint of the Dewey Decimal Classification (DDC 21) DDC 21 which has been translated into Sinhala by Mr. Uditha Alahakoon of the National Institute of Library and Information Sciences. This edition includes the first second and third summaries, standard subdivisions, auxiliary tables, relative index etc. of Dewey Decimal Classification Scheme in Sinhala.

This is a very useful source for librarians in

classifying their collections. This is also useful for library and information science students.



NLDSB HAS STARTED NEW MAGAZINE

National Library and Documentation Services Board has started a new magazine titled "Praleka". This magazine includes articles on literature, art, culture as well as library and information science. This magazine also includes short stories and poems. This magazine is expected to be published once in two months.



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FORTHCOMING CONFERENCES

2ND INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON ACADEMIC LIBRARIES

Duration : 12 - 15 February 2013
 Venue : New Delhi, India
 Theme : Academic Library Services
 Tel : 91-11-25302218
 Fax : 91-11-25302111
 Email : ical201305@gmail.com
 Website : www.ipu.ac.in/ical2013

3RD INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON

ASIAN SPECIAL LIBRARIES

Duration : 10-12 April 2013
 Venue : Pasay city, philippines
 Theme : Special libraries towards achieving Dynamic, strategic and Responsible working environment
 Organised by : Special Libraries Association-Asian Chapter
 Association of Special Libraries of the Philippines
 Email : hchandra@iitm.ac.in
 Website : <http://units.sla.org>

**INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON
INFORMATION VISUALIZATION
THEORY AND APPLICATION**

Duration : 21 - 24 February 2013
Venue : Barcelona, Spain
Tel : +351265520184
Fax : 442030145434
Email : ivapp.secretariate@insticc.org
Website : www/ivapp.visigrapp.org

**INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON
INFORMATION SOCIETY 2013**

Duration : 17 - 20 June 2013
Venue : University of Guelph, Ontario,
Canada
E mail : pandis@.society.eu
Website : www.i-society.eu/

**INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON
INFORMATION AND NETWORK
SECURITY (CICINS) 2013**

Duration : 8 - 9 April 2013
Venue : Bangkok, Thailand
Website : www.icins.org/

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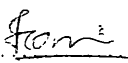
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