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24th ANNIVERSARY OF THE NATIONAL LIBRARY

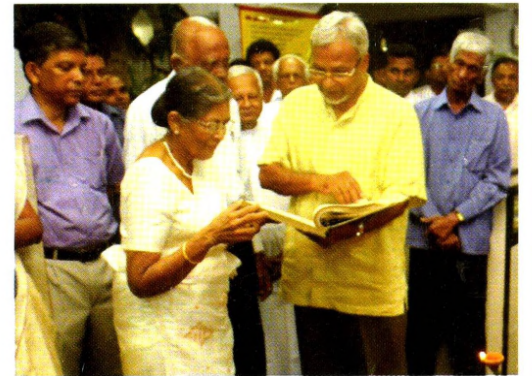
National Library and Documentation Services Board (NLDSB) organised a number of programmes to mark the 24th anniversary of the National Library in April and May 2014. The NLDSB organized a religious programme on 20th April 2014 and all night pirith ceremony on 24th April 2014 and alms giving to Maha Sanga on the following day.



Students selecting books

Exhibition

- An educational information and book exhibition was conducted from 6th to 9th May 2014. A large number of government and private institutions and book publishers participated the exhibition.



Mrs. Suraweera is showing a manuscript to the chairman of the NLDSB

- Prof. A. V. Suraweera collection was established in the National Library on 09.05.2014. This collection consists of books used and written by him, equipments used by him and awards received. A large number of relatives and friends of Prof. A. V. Suraweera participated the ceremony.

Seminars

- Seminar on new trends in the National Library field - 06.05.2014
- Seminar on School Libraries - 07.05.2014
- Seminar on Public Libraries - 08.05.2014
- Seminar on Special Libraries - 09.05.2014

DIGITIZATION OF RARE BOOKS OF THE NATIONAL LIBRARY

National Library has started a project for the digitization of its rare books collection. This project is carried out with the assistance of National Science Foundation under its National Digitization Project. The rare books collection of the National Library consists of a large number of very rare and old books of historical importance. This project is very helpful for the preservation of this collection.



WORKSHOP ON COMPILATION OF DOCUMENTATION SOURCES

The Bibliographic Control Division of the National Library and Documentation Services Board organised a one day workshop on Compilation of Documentation Sources on 25th June 2014 for

librarians. This is one of the series of workshops on compilation of documentation sources conducted by NLDSB. The workshop consisted of theoretical as well as practical aspects and covered the areas such as introduction of documentation sources, bibliographic methods used in compilation of documentation sources etc. Ms. Janaki Fernando, Library Consultant served as the resource person of the workshop.



WORKSHOP ON CATALOGUING

The Bibliographic Control Division of the National Library and Documentation Services Board (NLDSB) organised a one day workshop on cataloguing for librarians on 30th June 2014. The workshop covered the theoretical aspects as well as the practical activities of cataloguing. This is one of the series of workshops organised by NLDSB and it also helps the librarians to solve the cataloguing problems arised in their day to day cataloguing activities. Mr. U. P. Alahakoon of the National Institute of Library and Information Science served as the resource person.



WORKSHOP ON LIBRARY RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

The Library Research Division of the National Library and Documentation Services Board (NLDSB) organised a workshop on Library Research Methodology for librarians on 26.06.2014. Objective of the workshop was to make aware the library professionals about the library research methodology. The workshop covered the areas such as introduction to library research, data collecting techniques, data analysis and compilation of research reports. Mr. H. M. Gunaratna Banda, former Assistance Director General, National Institute of Education, Dr. Swarna Ukwatta, Senior Lecturer, Department of Demography, University of Colombo, Mr. G. D. Amarasiri, Director NLDSB served as resource persons.

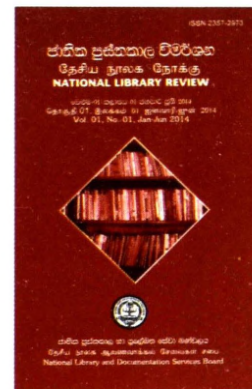


SEMINAR ON RESOURCES AND SERVICES OF THE NATIONAL LIBRARY

National Library and Documentation Services Board conducted a workshop on resources and services of the National Library for the academic staff of the Mahaweli National College of Education, Polgolla. Mr. G. D. Amarasiri, Director Mrs. Anoma Wijesinghe, Assistant Director and Mr. Chandana Senaviratna, Information Assistant of the NLDSB served as resource persons of the seminar.

NEW JOURNAL IN LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCE

National Library and Documentation Services Board has introduced a new journal in Library and Information Science. Title of the Journal is "National Library Review". The Journal consists of articles in Library and Information Science in Sinhala, Tamil and English. The articles contained in the Journal are useful for librarians as well as library science students. The first issue of the National Library Review Journal, January – June 2014 volume has been published and can be purchased from the National Library Bookshop.



WORKSHOP ON DEWEY DECIMAL CLASSIFICATION

National Library and Documentation Services Board conducted a workshop on Dewey Decimal Classification for public librarians of the Kurunegala District on 15-09-2014 at the National Library and Documentation Services Board. The workshop covered the areas such as introduction to Dewey Decimal Classification, preparing auxiliary tables, number buildings etc. The workshop also included a practical session on number building. Mr. U. P. Alahakoon, Assistant Librarian of the National Institute of Library and Information Science (NILIS) served as the resource person. 47 public librarians of Kurunegala District participated the workshop.

WORKSHOP ON BOOK BINDING

National Library and Documentation Services Board conducted a workshop on book binding for librarians and officers working in record rooms of government institutions in Kandy. The workshop was held on 25th July 2014 at the Central Province Library Services Board, Gatambe, Peradeniya.



SEMINAR ON SEARCHING OF ELETRONIC RESOURCES FOR NLDSB STAFF

National Library and Documentation Services Board conducted a seminar on searching of electronic resources on 23.07.2014 for the National Library staff. Mrs. Padma Bandanayake, Library Director, American Centre Library and Mrs. Sunethra Perera, Head, Science Library and Resource Centre of the National Science Foundation served as resource persons.



WORKSHOP ON CUSTOMER CARE AND PUBLIC RELATIONS

National Library and Documentation Services Board conducted a workshop on customer care and public relations for the National Library staff on 28.08.2014 at the National Library and Documentation Services Board. Mr. Harison Perera, Former Librarian of the University of Peradeniya and Dr. Anusha Wijerathna, Senior Assistant Librarian of the Open University of Sri Lanka served as resource persons.



SEMINAR ON FINANCIAL REGULATIONS AND ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS

National Library and Documentation Services Board conducted a seminar on financial regulations and administrative regulations for public librarians at the National Library auditorium on 29.05.2014. 68 public librarians participated the seminar. Mr D. V. Bandusena, Additional Director General (administration and finance) and Mr P. K. D. Kularatna, Accountant / Consultant of the Sri Lanka Institute of Development Administration served as resource persons.

NLDSB SPONSORED CHILDREN'S BOOK RECEIVED STATE LITERARY AWARD

The Children's book 'Muhuda Saha Doni' written by Thanuja N. Ayagama published under the children and youth literature books assistance project of the National Library and Documentation Services Board received the state award for the best children's book in State Literary Festival 2014. The children's book 'Punchi Tharaka' written by Chandrika Ambepitiya published under the same project was recommended for the best children's books in the State Literary Festival 2014. The assistance project for the children's and youth literature books was started by the National Library and Documentation Services Board in 2012 with the objective of assisting the authors of children's and youth literature books.



THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE SRI LANKA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

The Annual General Meeting of the Sri Lanka Library Association (SLLA) was held on 20th June 2014 at the Sri Lanka Foundation Institute auditorium. Chief guest on the occasion was Hon. Justice Shiranee Tilakawardana. Prof. Ranjith Bandara, Chairman of the Sri Lanka Foundation participated as the guest of honour.

NACLIS 2014 - SLLA

The National Conference on Library and Information Science (NACLIS) organised by the Sri Lanka Library Association was held at the Galadari Hotel, Colombo on 19th June 2014. The theme of the conference was "Addressing Future LIS Challenges: Through Technology, Innovation and Research" Chief guest in the inauguration ceremony of the conference was Prof. Jagtar Sing of the Punjab University, India.

FORTHCOMING CONFERENCES

4th INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON EMERGING TRENDS AND TECHNOLOGIES IN LIBRARIES AND INFORMATION SERVICES

Duration : 6 - 8 January 2015

Venue : Uttar Pradesh, India

Tel : +911202594190

Fax : +911202460986

Email : ettlis.2015@gmail.com

Website : www.jiit.ac.in/ircjiit/

8th ATMOSPHERIC SCIENCE LIBRARIANS INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

Duration : 4 - 8 January 2015

Venue : Arizona, United States

Email : gcsherr@mit.edu

Website : <http://annual.ametsoc.org>

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**3rd INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE
ON INNOVATION AND INFORMATION
MANAGEMENT**

Duration : 17 - 18 January 2015

Venue : Kuala Lumpur , Malaysia

Tel : +15184782659

E mail : iciim@lacsit.org

Website : iciim.org/

**INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON
DIGITAL LIBRARIES**

Duration : 26 – 27 January 2015

Venue : Saudi Arabia

Website : www.waset.org/conference

**6th INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON
INFORMATION VISUALISATION THEORY
AND APPLICATION**

Duration : 11 – 14 March 2015

Venue : Berlin, Germany

Tel : +351265520184

Fax : +442030148813

Email : ivapp.secretariate@insticc.org

Website : ivapp.vsigrapp.org/

**INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON
ASIAN SPECIAL LIBRARIES**

Duration : 22 – 24 April 2015

Venue : Seoul-Korea

Email : lcoasl.2005@gmail.com

Website : <http://acom.s.kistire.kr/>

**2015 INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON
INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION
TECHNOLOGY**

Duration : 26 – 28 April 2015

Venue : Xian, China

Email : letict2015@gmail.com

Website : www.ietict.org

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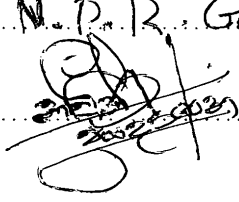
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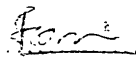
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