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Possibilities of Resource Sharing in Selected Deemed University Libraries of Gujarat State

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ABSTRACT

The Study provides an idea about the possibility of resource sharing in selected deemed university libraries of Gujarat state. By study the two deemed university libraries in Gujarat for implementing resource sharing, important objectives and areas of resource sharing. It further highlights important success stories, impact and the role of deemed university libraries. User's suggestions to improve the library services have also been included. Various considerations for deemed university libraries and major potential barriers for resource sharing are also discussed.

KEYWORDS: Resources Sharing, Deemed University Libraries.

INTRODUCTION:

Today is the age of Information, information is a power. So we keep updated with the latest development in the library and other professional field. The role of a Library in the education process at any level at the colleges, Institutions and universities for the over all development of such as personality, skill, communication, career, and creativity is very signification. The libraries of modern educational institution have to plan, to develop and organize their library services and Information resources sharing in such a way that it should facility retrieval of the desired information as quick as possible and save the time of the users. This paper highlights the efforts made by Resource sharing in deemed university libraries of Gujarat Library resource sharing means that a group of libraries have come together and entered in to some kind of formal understanding for the purpose of sharing the resources of each other's materials, functions, and services with mutual benefit.

OBJECTIVE OF RESOURCE SHARING:

- Increase availability of resources
- Extend the accessibility of resources
- Reduce cost, and
- Promote full utilization of resources

POSSIBILITY RS WITH FORMS OF RESOURCE SHARING:

Ideas for sharing resource between the deemed university library are possible with forms of resource sharing. It became possible to create co-operative functional resource sharing in deemed university library is the--most important requirement at this juncture where the economic consideration, information explosion and specialized users needs are forcing the libraries to co-operate.

1. Inter-library Loan:

Inter-library Loan Service is the most important concept to be considered in a successful resource sharing venture. The success of a sharing venture depends largely on the efficiency, efficacy and speed of one participating librarian in lending to another participating librarian.

2. Co-operative Acquisition :

Most of the libraries spend their valuable time, money and efforts on acquisition of materials. It is here that a great deal of co-operation is possible. This is because; the procurement procedures are uniformly similar among deemed university libraries.

3. Co-operative Storage:

Co-operatic storage would result in economy of space and money. It would track of catalogue entries and help avoid duplication. The concept of co-operative storage can be put into practice atleast in respect of less frequently used material like certain books and back volumes of serials.

4. Union Catalogues:

For a satisfactory resource sharing programme, it is most essential that each participating deemed universality librarian should know the resources available with the other libraries. It is important that the deemed university libraries should ensure the updating of both additions and deletion to their collections in the union catalogue.

5. Co-operative Delivery of services:

This form of co-operation is not in trend in the libraries in India, but if this form is use in deemed university libraries so it's very useful. The required book moves from one university library to another university library.

6. Web-based Resource Sharing:

Today all university libraries used web-based services, Web based resource sharing includes the sharing of resources hosted on the net. It is very important for bibliographic control of the explosion of literature and knowledge.

RESEARCH METHODOLOGY AND DESIGN:

This study is based on a survey of well established deemed university libraries in Gujarat. The survey followed a qualitative design based on an interview technique of data collection. To investigate spent a minimum of 15 days at each university campus during which I was able to meet the department head of the each faculties and the university librarian and explained to them purpose the study.

DATA ANALYSIS:

In this research total of 300 questionnaires were distributed among two Deemed University in Gujarat, Gujarat Vidyapith (GV), and Sumandeep Vidyapeeth (SV), in this study categories of library users are Librarian, Students, Faculties, Researchers, and Administrators. After a quality control I was checked, out of 300 questionnaires distributed 200 valid questionnaires were collected this constitutes 66.66% (200/300) of the total response. The collected data were analyzed, tabulated, interpreted and presented in form of this paper.

1. Selected Deemed University Details.

Sr. No	Name of Deemed university in Gujarat	Type of Library	Year of Establishment	Location
1	Gujarat Vidyapith (G.V)	Central Library	1963	Ahmedabad
2	Sumandeep Vidyapeeth (S.V)	Central Library	2007	Vadodara

Table 1: Selected Deemed University Details.

Data presented in Table- 1 number of deemed university in Gujarat state, Gujarat Vidyapith university is one of oldest deemed university in the country and first to be establishment in the state of Gujarat in

1963 at Ahmedabad, and recently Sumandeep Vidyapeeth is recognize of the deemed university in 2007 located at Vadodara.

2. Composition of Respondent.

Sr. No	Respondent Category	G.V	S.V	Total	%
1	Student	51	46	97	48.50
2	Faculties	22	29	51	25.50
3	Researcher	19	09	28	14
4	Administration	08	16	24	12
	Total	100	100	200	100%

Table 2: Composition of Respondent.

A total of 48.50 percent users response are Students in all deemed university in Gujarat. Second highest total of percent 25.50 are faculties user, the other respondent users are administration staff 12.00 percent, researcher users respondent only 14.00 present.

3. Frequency of Visit Library

Sr. No.	Frequency of Visit Library	G.V	S.V	Total	%
1	Always	52	43	95	47.50
2	Frequently	29	22	51	25.50
3	Occasionally	19	35	54	27.00
	Total	100	100	200	100%

Table 3: Frequency of Visit Library

Table 3 reveals 47.50 percent of user's visited library always, about 27 present users was visited occasionally, and the other users visited library frequently 25.50 percent

4. Deemed University Library types of Collection.

No	Deemed University Library	Type of Collection			
		Books	Journals	Cds/DVDs	Thesis
1	Gujarat Vidyapith Central Library	534987	600	1350	865
2	Sumandeep Vidyapeeth Central Library	24148	108	658	135

Table 4: Deemed University Library types of Collection

As we know Gujarat Vidyapith University is oldest university that's way they have highest number of books, Journals, Cds/DVDs and Thesis. Second highest number of collection have Sumandeep Vidyapeeth Central library. All information provides the both University librarian.

5. Library Materials most often to use.

Sr. No	Objective of RS	G.V	S.V	Total	%
1	Books	36	31	67	33.50%
2	Journals / Magazine	26	24	50	25.00%
3	Newspapers	21	25	45	22.50%
4	CDs/DVDS	17	20	37	18.50%
	Total	100	100	200	99.50%

Table 5: Library Materials most often to use.

Table 5 it is observed that the 33.50 percent of users most often to use books in library, total 25.00 percent of users most often to use Journal and Magazine, total 22.50 percent of users most often to use Newspaper and 18.50 present of user most often to use CDs/DVDS in library.

6. Objective of Resource Sharing in Deemed University Library.

Sr. No	Objective of RS	G.V	S.V	Total	%
1	Increase availability of resources	27	37	64	32.00%
2	Extend the accessibility of resources	21	18	39	19.50%
3	Reduce cost	32	23	55	27.50%
4	Promote full utilization of resources	20	22	42	21.00%
	Total	100	100	200	100%

Table 6: Objective of Resource Sharing in Deemed University Library.

Table 6 it is observed that the 32.00 percent of users thought library will increase the availability of resources, total 27.50 percent of users is second highest number thought library reduce the cost, Total 21.00 percent of users thought the library promote full utilization resources, the other 19.50 percent of users thought the library extend the accessibility of resources.

7. Barriers of Resource Sharing in Deemed University Library.

Sr. No	Barriers of Resource Sharing	G.V	S.V	Total	%
1	Staff and Faculty attitudes	9	11	20	10.00%
2	Document delivery time	22	28	50	25.00%
3	Lack of need support services	19	10	29	14.50%
4	Lack of awareness cooperation	16	11	27	13.50%
5	Location Barriers	28	31	59	29.50%
6	Lack of administrative structure	6	9	15	07.50%
	Total	100	100	200	100%

Table 7: Barriers of Resource Sharing in Deemed University Library.

Table 7 reveals that total present of 29.50 users thought Location Barriers as the major problem, total 25.00 percent of users thought barriers of Document delivery time, total 10.00 percent of users thought staff and faculty attitudes barriers, total 14.50 percent of users thought lack of need support services are barriers, Only 7.50 percent of users thought the lack of administrative structure are barriers.

8. Possibility of RS with forms of Resource Sharing.

Sr. No	Possibility RS with forms of RS	G.V	S.V	Total	%
1	Inter-library Loan	33	21	54	27.00%
2	Co-operative Acquisition	07	19	26	13.00%
3	Co-Operative Storage	16	11	27	13.50%
4	Union Catalogues	21	26	47	23.50%
5	Co-operative delivery of services	04	09	13	06.50%
6	Web-based resource sharing	19	14	33	16.50%
	Total	100	100	200	100%

Table 8: Possibility of RS with forms of Resource Sharing.

It is clear that most of the response of 27.00 present users wants possibility of RS with Inter-library loan, totals 23.50 percent users thought Union catalogues services, total 16.50 percent users thought Web-based resources sharing, total 13.00 percent users though co-operative Acquisition, total 13.50 percent of users thought Co-Operative store facially. And total 6.50 percent of user thought Co-operative delivery of services.

9. Suggestions of the users for improving library services.

No	Suggestion of the Users	G.V	S.V	Total	%
1	Resources sharing system should be established	36	30	66	33.00%
2	Modern technological facilities should be provide	28	15	43	21.50%
3	Library budget need to be increase	22	29	51	25.50%
4	Professional and qualified library staff should appoint	14	26	40	20.00%
	Total	100	100	200	100%

Table -9. Suggestions of the users for improving library services.

As users, all the respondents were asked to give their suggestion for future improvement of the library services, keeping in mind the present status of the library services. All the responded have given only. Among the users, total 33.00 present of users have given emphasis on establishing library resource sharing system should be established. The second highest responded was to library budget need to increased total 25.50 percent, the other suggestions made by the users were: Modern technological facilities should be provided 21.50 present and Professional and qualified library staff should appoint 20.00 present.

CONCLUSION:

The overall results suggest that the existing library and information services are below the expectation level of users despite quite a good number of rich deemed university. However, as noted earlier, to improve the prevailing poor services, care should immediately be taken to provide efficient Resources Sharing system in deemed university in Gujarat state

A fundamental barrier to the attainment of this objective in deemed university library in Gujarat state is the lack of resource. The lack of resources, far from encouraging sharing, often produces the opposite. Therefore, it is necessary to cooperate in improving existing library resources, either in quality or quantity or both and it is important to develop programs for the shared use of available library resources. Thus, it is important to take necessary measures to possibility of an efficient resource sharing in deemed university library of Gujarat for providing better services to his users.

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