



A Project of Teaching - Learning Process of Librarians by Gujarat Granthalaya Seva Sangh : A Historical Overview

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ABSTRACT

The recent age is tremendously known as the era of knowledge and information. Information technology gives us the most vital opportunity to get and share the utmost knowledge to each other. Today, every respective field has very essential need to share and get awareness of their own pasture. Such a meeting or activities has put signpost icon for the further desirable mission.

Keywords:

INTRODUCTION:-

Some librarians often met during the early 1970s in Ahmedabad. They discussed their activities, problems, troubles and express their views with one another for couple of hours. Sometimes they met in holidays also for a half day enjoys tea and breakfast with a discussion. There was no definite time. There was a possibilities of meeting either in week or after a quarter week. Those friends thought that 'It was nessacity of trust in which the problems of the librarians could be asked and their solutions be made.' As a result of that idea they established GUJARAT GRANTHALAYA SEVA SANGH in 1970 A.D..There had been formal meetings discussed problems, ideas, thinking and got solutions. From 1970 to 1975 working inspiration was provided by the experienced librarians to the new members. There were also informed with various activities related to the libraries. A meeting was held in August 1975 to inform the purpose of that field and the library services. Earlier there were holding some meeting by from that time they started the record of the meeting, its memberships, problems and solutions.

The questions were raised that some librarians living only in Ahmedabad who only could get the condition of city librarians. So there was a need to hold a general meeting of all the librarians of Gujarat state like a family members and exchange own problems, experiences, guidance's and tried to serve better services to the field. These efforts turned into this field as an Educational Conferences.

OBJECTIVES AND PROGRAMMES:

The objectives of the Association are to help improving Library an information services and in spreading Library Movement throughout the Gujarat state.

To fulfill the above mentioned broad objectives, the association does following activities as per the available resources.

- (1) To cooperate in library and information science education and if needed, arrange for library and information science education
- (2) Research in library and information science,
- (3) To organise seminars, conferences, arrange lectures meetings etc.
- (4) To co-operate, with similar associations for the betterment of library and information Services in Gujarat
- (5) To publish periodicals and adhoc publication (related to library and information science)
- (6) To organise book exhibition
- (7) To represent to suitable authorities regarding the common problems of libraries and librarians

EDUCATION AND TRAINING:

"A true teacher is who studies unsteady and s/he always donate the knowledge which they had got." The quotation of the Upnishad is followed by the president, vice-president and experienced resource librarians and released the meeting of all Gujarat state. Library education has been started by the Mandal wherever it was not given and the Mandal has also expanded the importance of the library education after wide understating. To these references a resolution was passed in 1978 under new education policy the information was given to the librarians, their responsibilities, their role, importance of activities in a proper time and place and it is still continuous.

The concept of computer use was already talked in 1979 for the first time. There was a workshop held in 1981 to provide the necessary education to the librarians. This act was progressed with the help of INFLIBNET. Speeches also delivered by the computer users' librarians. Computer importance, usefulness, necessity, problems and solutions etc. they were informed by the new technology. It was the dream of the University Grants Commissions (UGC) that there would computer services provided to every college in the country at the end of the year 2000. There was a workshop, 'use of computer' in 1988 to fulfill the dream. The librarians of the different areas took part in it. In 1987 there was early seminar to discuss the subject. There is a high stage of imagine experiments in educational field. From this approach the education becomes easy and interesting. It is done by GGSS for years conferences are arranged at the proper time like e-information sources and out sources since 2000. So the librarians of Gujarat do not remain unknown with the worldwide technology conferences are also arranged relating to the field.

When the use of computer in libraries became inevitable the training was started by GGSS with collaboration of several institutes. Training was divided with standard viz experienced training, new activities, services, technology, enter new resource and usefulness. Relating to the different subject training and conferences were arranged some libraries have several kinds of training.

The purpose of is to provide the training from the basic level. It is necessary to have knowledge, latest information of the library to the librarians. All the librarians are not ready to take part in nation as well as state three days seminars. At that time one day discussion becomes possible with less expense to more and more librarians. The main focus of one day training is that it is held in various places. So that the all librarian from remote area can take benefit of it. There is no solid media is to be found except it in which every librarian can get

perfect requirement. More over it is managed according to the modern technology.

LIBRARY CONFERENCE ORGANISED BY GGSS (1976 to 2012)

SUBJECT	Date & Place	No. of Delegates
(1) Reference books in Gujarati Language (2) Library co-operation and co-ordination (3) Library Bill of Gujarat	8, 9 May-1976 Ahmedabad	300
(1) Library training (2) Ideal library and its requirements (3) Public libraries in Gujarat: Present & Future requirements	18 to 20 November 1977 Junagadh	175
1. Bibliographical control in Gujarati literature 2. Book Selection & procurement : problems & solution general discussion on 'Whether there is a need for libraries in the context of present education System?'	26 to 28 January 1979 Modasa	170
1. Problem of School libraries 2. Grant-in-aid rules for public libraries in Gujarat :Anomalies & remedies 3. Role of librarians in adult education	18to20 January 1980 Vallabh Vidynagar	225
1. Staff formula and salary scales for librarians working Gujarat – in – aid libraries 1983of Gujarat 2. Current awareness services in practice In libraries in Gujarat General discussion On 'Is the relevance of academic libraries Has demised?'	24 to 25 January 1981 Ahmedabad 28 to 30 May1983 Rajkot	210 200
1. Libraries and librarians : their problems And solution 2. Low cost method of dissemination of information. Special talk on documentation by shri C.R. Patel General discussion on 'Importance of curricula in training of librarians and methods of teaching Library as a information centers	26 to 28 May Vishnagar	200
Problems of libraries in Gujarat with special reference to library administration and service: college library, School library , public library.	27 to 29 December 1985 Porbandar	200
Reference and information services in public libraries in Gujarat, school libraries in Gujarat, college libraries in Gujarat, University libraries in Gujarat	26 to 28 December 1986 Rajpipla 26 to 28 December 1987 Mansa	150 250
1. New education policy libraries 2. Computer for libraries	9 to 11 June 1990 Bhuj	200
1. Grant in Rules for public libraries in Gujarat 2. Plan for active co-operation between academic library	14 th September 1991 Ahmedabad	125
Library Automation (One day Seminar)	15 March 1992 Ahmedabad	200
1. Library science with reference to library modernization 2. Key-problems of Public Libraries in Gujarat	12 to 14 March 1993 Kheda	300
1. Needed changes in library and information services in view of the globalization and role of librarians 2. Village libraries as information centers and impact of Information technology on library and information services by shri P.C.Shah and group discussion	21 to 23 June 1996 Surat	250
1. UNESCO Public Library manifesto, 1994 2. Management and Technical problems and solutions of Colleges libraries in Gujarat 3. Importance of Books selection in school libraries :its Methodology and process.	28 to 30 November 1997 Bhuj	200
1. Inspiring forces (motivating factors) for the Progress Of public libraries in Gujarat 2. Reference service and development of reference tools: In view of India's globalization and library economic policy.	9 to 11 November 1998 Palitana	250
1. Public libraries as a community information centers 2. Use of university libraries by industrial and business companies for their information needs 3. Role of school libraries in education to students and in teaching by teachers 4. Role of college libraries in education to students in teaching by professors.	12 to 14 October 2001 Baroda	225
1. Write-off printed material : procedures and causes, 2. Need for in services Training for librarians.	21 to 23 November 2003 Bochasana (kheda)	Over 200
1. The new image is libraries with reference of the new Horizons in field of Lib. & Inf. Sci. 2. PRLF – its schemes for public libraries 3. Gujarat Public library Bill 2001 4. School libraries in Gujarat: problems solutions and Challenges 5. Alternatives and future of Books Development of Lib. & Inf. Profession in Gujarat by Dr.Paksha Y. Surti, Services of INFLIBNET center by Shri Umesh Gohil	10 to 12 December 2004 Patan 10 to 12 February 2006 Koba 15 to 17 February 2007 Tithal	275 250 Over 400
1. New Public library structure in view of the information age 2. Use and problems of periodicals in various types of Software 3. Priorities for library co-operation in academic libraries 4. Various religious libraries in Gujarat : their Present Position and solutions for developments.	28 to 30 April 2008 Una	250
1. New technology and preparation to be made by library Professional 2. Library safety and security 3. Gujarat Public library Act 2001 4. Contribution of libraries in quality education	26 to 29 December 2008 Ahmedabad	575
1. Village and Public libraries as knowledge disseminator to public 2. Library profession, professionals and Globalization 3. Problems of periodical section, need, Limitations, priorities with respect to education and research areas	26 to 28 December 2009 Junagadh	

1. Outstanding of library and information services 2. Contribution of Principal, librarian and management in development of higher secondary school libraries 3. Network of public libraries. Beyond Automation By Shri S. S. Khemka	21 to 23 January 2011 Palitana	Over 250
1. College library network in Gujarat in under of Umbrella of INFLIBNET 2. Importance of periodicals to increase the knowledge in student and teachers at school level 3. Future of librarianship and e-resources		
1 st National seminar (1) Public libraries as messenger of knowledge (2) Human Relations in library and information services (3) Users education and literacy with reference to modern information and communication Technology. (4) Need for entrepreneurship qualities amongst library Professionals to develop or create an image of library profession 2 nd National Seminar (1) Role of public libraries in total development of society by maximum utilization of public library resources (2) Role of libraries in advancement of learning teaching and research in the century. (3) Maximum utilization of resources of college library in the present context using information and communication technology (4) Changing role of school librarian in present scenario: (1) Best and innovative practices in library and information centers (2) Changing role of librarians because of E-Revolution (3) Social responsibilities of libraries in development of society in present knowledge development era (4) Role of school libraries and librarians In creating sustainable reading habits amongst		

CONFERENCE:

The word itself expresses the meaning together the librarians discussion of any subject is the interpretation of conference. Up to this time almost more that 100 topics are discussed. It is planned every year in different places living facility is provided along with dinner, lunch and breakfast by the Mandal. So that the members try to be active with unanimous. Enjoyable place remain unforgettable in real life. Cultural activities are also arranged. Honorable comments also hint by the experienced librarians. Either elder or subject adviser's speeches are also arranged. Explanation of extra ordinary new subject is done with the practical use and its problems of the librarians and its steps to be taken. A questionnaire is also settled to understand the meaning and purpose of the conference at the end of it. Experienced librarians explain the matter so deeply that the every librarian can satisfy with the answer. How many kinds of this education are let us try...

ADMINISTRATIVE EDUCATION:

Administrative problems arise in the libraries. Librarian's status, administrative standard, professional staff, staff shortage, overloaded work, to avoid librarians in book selection, training class, foreign magazine subscription, lost books, inter library loan, librarians get UGC grant at the end of the year, so it creates the problems of selection, e-books, e-journals, e-services create some problem, shrinking budget more and more information in the shortage budget etc.

TECHNICAL EDUCATION:

There is a technical system in the demand of time every phase has adopted the technical education. Beginning from classification and cataloguing to colon classification of the 7th edition and 22nd edition DDC also discussed. Guideline concise translations, CAS, SDI were explained to work these services. After 1984 technical conferences had been arranged relating to the use of technical work in computer with computer training. Discussion and training have been continuous from 2000 means from the beginning of the last decade the capability of the librarian is emphasized. Every aspect is being discussed. It is arranged in different areas. The purpose of this effort is to aware all the librarians with modern events latest technical information are being provided by INFLIBNET. The librarians get the solutions of their questions. The most useful information is given here, effect of information and technology in library e-publication's place in the library.

Marketing strategy is to spread the information to the readers. Model library information is given in this field.

SERVICABLE EDUCATION:

Study but strong development has done in Gujarat library. This growth is its services. Since 1970 reference, translation, bibliographies are its services since 1970 to 1980 and then up to the date conference had been held. Since 2000 A. D. programmed like e-reading materials that may be in a book form, journals, pamphlets, references are held. How to use these materials, how to purchase materials in desirable amount, and how to serve the reader the maximum material are explained. These are the services which should be provided on the basis human relations. The librarians are advised that maximum readers are to be come in the library. It is the importance outlook of this field. The attitude of every librarian is should be friendly and be alert to be a guide as a teacher, problem stand when any service is given but at the time they should be solved with kind manner and sympathy. Any doubtful arises by the reader the librarian should satisfy him with discussion. Moreover any information or service that can not be available in their library he should be guides properly. How the online service is to be received all the paints are included in the conferences.

MODERN STREAM EDUCATION:

In present time how new technical clues are used in the world libraries as a services this type of information is given in the conference. Resource person's speeches on a new subject and questioner at the end are arranged. Changing the time and place remarkable points are explained in the training and conferences.

CONCLUSION:

It would not be exaggerate to say that the education provided by the GGSS is the best services to the libraries of Gujarat. Education is necessary at the end of the life. There is no substitute of life without stopples education on financial grants is not sufficient contributed by the UGC to the either university or library to get success for computer and E-resource. It the University Grant Commission (UGC) wants to have an E-Library it must help and collaborate the GGSS or any institute which provide basic education to the librarians. So there can be work with enthusiastically, effectively, successfully and expectable way.

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