

LIBRARY, ST. MARY'S COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), THRISSUR

TWO DAY NATIONAL SEMINAR

Concept Note

- I Theme of the Seminar: **Technology Integrated Academic Libraries in a Society 5.0**
- II Location : St. Mary's College, Thrissur
- III Timing : October 25-26, 2024
- IV **Main topic:** The advancement of technology and its implementation on library sources and services.

The advancement of technology has significantly transformed library sources and services, revolutionizing how information is accessed, managed, and disseminated. The ever increasing quantity of digital collections, the proliferation of electronic resources such as e-books, e-journals, databases and multimedia contents, the growth of open access initiatives, making scholarly research freely available to the public, remote access and mobile services, personalization and personalized recommendation services using the scope of big data, augmented reality (AR) and virtual reality (VR) technologies that can give immersive learning experience through virtual tours and interactive exhibitions, the scope of social media platforms and online communities which can enhance the quantity and quality of library services, artificial intelligence (AI) and machine learning technologies that are increasingly used in libraries for tasks such as natural language processing, content recommendation, and chatbots for virtual reference services etc.. are some of the examples of technology integration in the libraries. The implementation of technology in library sources and services has democratized access to information, empowered patrons, and transformed libraries into dynamic hubs of learning, innovation, and community engagement.

Theme I – Technology integration in library operations

Technology integration in library operations has become essential for modern libraries to effectively manage their resources, provide enhanced services, and adapt to the changing needs of patrons. How far the Indian libraries have achieved the needed transformation in this regard?

Sub Themes:

- Hybrid and HyFlex Library Services
- Librarian 5.0 in a Society 5.0
- AI in libraries

Theme II – The role of technology integrated library in learning and research

Technology-integrated libraries play a crucial role in facilitating learning and research by providing access to diverse resources, enhancing collaboration, and supporting information literacy - Discuss

Sub Themes:

Media and information literacy challenges in information practice
Pedagogical approach to digital and AI Literacies
Smart Libraries

Theme III – Technology and sustainability – how it can be reflected through library services

Sustainability is the cry of the age. Society 5.0 members prioritize sustainability and eco-conscious behavior in their lifestyle choices and consumption patterns. They are mindful of environmental impact, adopt sustainable practices in their daily lives, and support initiatives that promote environmental conservation and ecological balance. Discuss how the libraries can leverage digital technologies to become more sustainable and reduce their environmental footprint, such as thorough digitization, remote access and online services.

Sub Themes:

Digital libraries
Metaverse Libraries
Automated reference service

Theme IV – Technology integrated library and user satisfaction of the users of Society 5.0

Need to discuss the ways and means of enhancing the user satisfaction. Society 5.0 envisions a future where technology is seamlessly integrated into every aspect of society to address complex challenges and enhance the well-being and overall satisfaction of the individuals.

Sub Themes:

Digital Literacy and technological fluency
Virtual space in physical library
Community engagements and collaborations

Important Note: Papers will be accepted on any relevant theme based on Library and Information Science. The papers should be original.

Important Dates

Full paper Submission deadline – 30/09/2024

Acceptance and intimation to the authors – 15/10/2024 onwards

Guideline for paper presentation and full paper submission

- Abstract in 350 words
- Maximum length of the paper is restricted to 4500 words and minimum length is restricted to 2500 words.
- Use Times New Roman Font 12 cm in size
- Main titles to be in Block Letters and the font size will be 14 cm bold
- Sub Titles in Normal Font and the size is 14 cm bold
- Provide 5 key words
- It is the author/contributor responsibility that the paper is free from plagiarism and grammatical errors
- Once the paper is accepted the author need to give the consent for publication
- The allotted time for paper presentation is 10 minutes
- Paper evaluated and selected by Expert Committee will be published in the post seminar volume having ISBN
- The paper should be original in nature
- Submit the paper on the following email Id libsmctr@gmail.com

About the College

The First Women's College of Thrissur District, St. Mary's College, was established in the heart of the flourishing business town of Thrissur in 1946. The Congregation of Mother of Carmel (CMC) had pioneered into the field of Higher Education inspired by the educational vision of its founder, St. Kuriakose Elias Chavara. 2024 is a meritorious year for St. Mary's as she is uplifted to the status of autonomous.

About the Seminar

The idea Society 5.0 visualize a human-centric society which achieves both economic progress and smart resolutions for the societal problems. Thus society 5.0 can provide high quality life through a system that effectively intermix cyberspace and physical space. Libraries are social institutions with a long history in the community and, over time, have acted as knowledge centers capable of illuminating civilization. The development of the era of society 5.0 inevitably made the library to become an active participant in the evolution. The library is a combination of virtual and physical space to meet users' information needs as a society 5. Through the interconnectedness of society, it appears that the Society 5.0 era has the power to change the community's mindset about libraries. On this background the conference aims to discuss and address the ongoing trends, progress, and challenges of the libraries and adaptable technologies by libraries to become relevant and effective in a society 5.0