

5th National Conference of Institute of Scientometrics, India

On

“Scientometrics, Social Media/networking tools in Libraries and Recent Trends in LIS”

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The 5th National conference of the Institute of Scientometrics on the theme “Scientometrics, Social Media/networking tools in Libraries and Recent Trends in LIS” has started at 10 am on Saturday 22nd October 2016. The inaugural function was graced with the presence of Prof. Neeraj Gupta, officiating VC, Central University, Ajmer; Prof. RL Raina, VC, JK Lakshmi pat University, Jaipur, Dr. Satishkumar Hosamani, Director, Dept. of Public Libraries, Govt. of Karnataka, prof. SL Sangam, the Conference Chair and Dr. Vijay Kumar, organizing Secretary of the conference on the dais.

The conference was formally inaugurated by lighting the auspicious lamp with traditional customs by the dignitaries chaired on the dais. Prof. S. L. Sangam, Founder of Institute of Scientometrics and the Conference chair introduced the Institute of Scientometrics, its origin, establishment, development, activities and also briefed about the developments in the area of Scientometrics in context of the 5th National Conference on the theme “Scientometrics, Social Media/networking tools in Libraries and Recent Trends in LIS”. Dr. Vijay Kumar, organizing secretary, while extending vote of thanks highlighted the conference theme and its immediate application and impact.

The inaugural function – truly inaugurated the intellectual stimulations – through visionary and thought provoking and impactful lectures by Dr. Satishkumar Hosamani, Director, Dept. of Public Libraries, Govt. of Karnataka, Prof. RL Raina, VC, JK Lakshmi pat University, Jaipur, and Prof. Neeraj Gupta, officiating VC, CU, Ajmer.

Day:1

Technical Session 1

Keynote Speaker: Prof. SL Sangam

Invited Speaker: Dr. Satyakrishn Savanur

Chair: Prof. Muthaiah Koganurmath

Co-chair: Dr. Rajkumar Bhakar

In the first technical session, 5 papers were presented including one invited paper. The papers focused on 3 broad areas - Psychological aspect of Lotka's law, Bibliographic form used in doctoral research in political science domain and global trends in bio Diesel Research

Technical Session 2

- Keynote Speaker: Prof. Arun Pratap
- Chair: Prof. PG Tadasad
- Co-chair: Roshan Choudhary
- Rapporteur: Umesh Sharma

In the second technical session, 4 papers were presented including one invited paper. The invited paper by Prof. Arun Pratap witnessed proposal of a new academic performance index called API Index. The other 3 papers focused on application of H, G and AP indices and Bibliometric study of Indian Journal of Biotechnology

Technical Session 3

- Keynote Speaker: Dr. Shaymprasad Pujar
- Chair: Ananda Byrappa
- Co-chair: Sobhaggyawati Gupta
- Rapporteur: Ramesh G Paloti

In the third and final technical session of day 1, seven papers were presented including one invited paper. The invited speaker by Dr. Shyam Prasad Pujar delivered a talk on Altmetrics. The other 6 papers were focused on areas such as –

Leveraging and application of social media networks, convergence culture in media and social movements and study on use of e-Resources

Day 2:

Day two of the conference began with a technical session.

- Chair: Dr. Satykrishn Savnur
- Co-chair: Dr. Shyam Pujar
- Rapporteur: Mr. Mahesh

Prof. HN Prasad delivered invited lecture followed by second invited lecture on 'collection development by Prof. PG Tadasad from Karnataka State Women's University, Vijayapura.

Prof. PV Konnur, Director, 'Prasranga' (Publications Cell of VTU) delivered third invited lecture on "Academic Library Networking and success story of VTU consortium.

Total 13 technical papers were presented covering the areas of web 2.0, Information Literacy, IPR, Healthcare service information, information consolidation, Discovery tools, 3G, cloud computing etc.

In summary, the conference emerged as a very successful and impactful platform for discussions and deliberation on the conference theme i.e Scientometrics, Social Media and Networking tools in Libraries and Recent Trends in LIS".

During the twodays of intellectually stimulating conference total 27 papers were presented – out of them 5 were invited papers and 22 contributed papers.

The conference was attended by about 70 delegates from various parts of the country covering Rajasthan, Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu, Haryana, UP, Madhya Pradesh and Karnataka

Recommendations:

1. The conference has witnessed many novel and first-of its kind of outcomes/results. Its recommended to continue to conduct regular academic programmes like conference and workshops in the area of Scientometrics to promote platforms for intellectual discussions

2. Altmetrics and social media have emerged as new channels of promoting scholarly content and collaboration. Its recommended to formulate process and framework for application of Altmetrics and Social Media Channels in LIS Domain
 3. Recommended to explore new means and methods of scholarly content representation and measurement by organizing conference on scientometrics and Infographics
 4. Its recommended to explore synergies between Scientometrics and community information centers/Public libraries
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