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"Everyone has inside them a piece of good news. The good news is, you don't know how great you can be! How much you can love! How much you can accomplish! And what your potential is."

— **Anne Frank**

ADINET SIG Announcement

ADINET would like to form **Special Interest Groups** (SIGs) for various library categories such as School Libraries, College Libraries, University Libraries, Special Libraries, Public Libraries, and even for Library Science Schools.
ADINET is **seeking representation** to these SIGs from different cities of Gujarat.
Calling all LIS professional and student to **become a member** of any of these SIGs. Please register by sending an email to alibnet@gmail.com before **14 September 2020**

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How your library will benefit from linked data

In January 2020, OCLC announced that the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation had awarded us a grant to build a shared entity management structure that supports libraries as we move

toward new ways to create and share information about their collections. These new methods—commonly referred to as "linked data"—represent changes to both underlying library data and the type of activities that library workers perform…

Source: *OCLC Next, 02 September 2020*

Mumbai Architect Brings a Virtual Pavilion for Bookworms

You can access your online avatar to browse through books and art displays from a virtual library created by a Mumbai architect.

As most things are going virtual this year due to the coronavirus induced safety norms and lockdowns, bookworms are having a tough time. But here's some good news for those missing books and their aesthetic settings. Mumbai architect Nuru Karim is coming up with a Virtual BookWorm for all art lovers and readers…

Source: *Outlook India, 02 September 2020*

Tamil Nadu libraries set to reopen on September 1

The State government has granted permission to open public libraries in the State, except part-time libraries, for

the welfare of the common public. At the same time, readers above the age of 65 and below the age of 15 years wouldn't be allowed to use the libraries.

A government order issued by the Chief Secretary K Shanmugam stated that the libraries of the State, Connemara Library, Anna Centenary Library, 32 district central libraries, 314 full-time branch libraries, except in the containment zones, will function from on September 1, following the request made by the director of the public libraries…

Source: *The New Indian Express, 29 August 2020*

German library pays £2.5m for 'friendship book', 400 years after it first tried to buy it

Almost 400 years after Augustus the Younger tried and failed to buy the "extraordinary" Das Große Stammbuch – a "friendship book" signed by some of the most powerful figures of 17th-century Europe – for the library he was building in Wolfenbüttel, Germany, it has finally landed on his shelves…

Source: *The Guardian, 27 August 2020*

Ethics of AI: Benefits and Risks of Artificial Intelligence Systems

The convergence of the availability of a vast amount of big data, the speed and stretch of cloud computing platforms, and the advancement of sophisticated machine learning algorithms have given birth to an array of innovations in Artificial Intelligence (AI)…

Source: *Interesting Engineering, 27 August 2020*

Marieke Lucas Rijneveld wins International Booker for The Discomfort of Evening

The 29-year-old Dutch author Marieke Lucas Rijneveld has become the youngest author ever to win the International Booker prize, taking the award for their "visceral and virtuosic" debut novel, The Discomfort of Evening…

Source: *The Guardian, 26 August 2020*

"Libraries are fundamental for the transformation of society"

For **Indira Dali**, books are her whole life. The 72-year-old librarian, who is also an advocate of libraries, has worked to build the foundation of many libraries in the country. She is currently the chair of the Dilli Raman Kalayani Regmi Memorial Library Development Board. She was also the coordinator of the library master plan committee for the Nepal National Library and the library digitisation and automation committee, a task force committee created in 2016 by the Ministry of Education to develop the library system and services in the country…

Source: *The Kathmandu Post, 25 August 2020*

World's fastest internet speed can download the entire library in one second

While you were struggling to watch an HD or 4K Youtube video on your smartphone, laptop, or a smart TV, engineers at University College London (UCL) set a new world record for the fastest internet in the world. The recently developed technology can download at a speed of 178 Terabits (TB) per second which is equivalent to 1,78,000 Gbps...

Source: *The Indian Express, 25 Aug 2020*

Karnataka is the first state to have model digital library: Suresh Kumar

Karnataka is the first state in the country to have a model digital library system in the country, said Primary and Secondary Education Minister S. Krishna. Suresh Kumar said.

Dr MECACH Project of the city Jakarta Addressing a function at the branch of the Shivarama Karnataka in the 2nd phase, he said that after taking over as Minister, steps have been taken to set up digital libraries statewide in keeping with today's requirements...

Source: *IBC World, 24 August 2020*

No more readers in libraries, publishers explore digital platforms to reach out

As we emerge from the lockdown, the economic hiatus due to the pandemic has begun to show its results. The printing and publication industry had to go into a forced shut down as the Covid-19 pandemic had people shunning from buying hard copies of newspapers, books, magazines and journals. All over the world, the industry is now reinventing itself through digital media, embracing the new normal. But while big publication houses managed to stay afloat, regional and smaller publications felt the punch in their belly…

Source: *The Tribune, 21 August 2020*

The Lounge guide to India in 50 books

The Lounge team celebrates this Independence Day with a curated list of 50 must-read books in English by Indian and Indian-origin writers—narratives that capture the diversity, dreams and dejections of the country since 1947…

Source: *Livemint, 15 August 2020*

Unfulfilled dream of Dr S. R. Ranganathan and Assam

Every year, India celebrates National Librarian's Day on August 12, the birth anniversary of the great library science exponent Dr. S. R. Ranganathan (1892-1972). The word 'National' in the latter instance simply means an occasion observed throughout the nation. Today is the day of the library, but being a part of LIS (Library and Information Science), we feel very sad that the state like Assam, known as the mother of North East India does not have library legislation. It is very confusing for us, why the Government is unable to feel the importance of library act in a state like Assam...

Source: *Northeast Today, 12 August 2020*

4 Ways to Keep Promoting Your Digital Library

If there was a word to describe 2020, *pivot* would be high on the list. We've all become experts at pivoting from the year's best-laid plans. From how we work to how our children learn to how we interact with each other, nearly all aspects of life have undergone some changes.
Libraries are no different. But despite the new challenges, librarians have continued to pivot and deliver creative solutions. For your patrons who may

be unaware of how to access your digital collection or just need a reminder that it's available, we compiled some easy ways to get the word out, even though they may not have been in your original plan…

Source: *Overdrive Blog post, 10 August 2020*

Haryana Plans Libraries In Every Village With Computers, Exam Guides

The Haryana government says it wants to ensure students from villages don't have to travel to cities to prepare for competitive exams. To enable this, the government wants to open modern libraries in each village modelled after coaching centres, Haryana Deputy Chief Minister Dushyant Chautala said on Sunday. All village panchayats have been asked to provide a room or two in their respective villages for the construction of a library by the state government, he said…

Source: *NDTV, 09 August 2020*

Libraries in the lockdown

Libraries, those sanctuaries of silence where book lovers could browse and borrow titles at leisure and students could peacefully prepare for exams away from their hectic home and school lives, are now feeling the impact of the lockdown triggered by Coronavirus…

Source: *India Today, 02 Aug 2020*

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