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PAUSE & PONDER

“Magic is believing in yourself. If you can make that happen, you can make anything happen.”

— **Johann Wolfgang Von Goethe**

ADINET wishes all the members and readers a very Happy Festive Season!! Stay Safe, Stay Healthy!!

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Open library introduces kids in slums to joys of reading



Children living in different slums got a chance to explore the joy of reading thanks to an open library set up by citybased NGO Swatantra Talim as part of the activities planned for Daan Utsav on Monday.

The open library has been put up to inculcate the habit of reading among children. Organised with the aim of spreading joy and happiness, Daan Utsav celebrates the spirit of humanity and is being observed from October 2-8 this year. A host of events and charitable activities are being organised in the city to raise awareness among citizens about the

importance of lending a helping hand to the needy...

Source: ***The Times of India, 06 Oct 2020***

Weekend storybook dates for govt schools



The campaign supported by UNICEF kicked off this month to inculcate the habit of reading among students

Just before the lockdown, the state government's education department had declared Saturdays as 'No School Bag Day', to engage students in extra-curricular activities. But with schooling moving online, the department has now re-oriented the Saturdays for a date with fiction — inculcating the habit of reading...

Source: ***Pune Mirror, 03 Oct 2020***

UGC guidance to promote good research practices, curb plagiarism



The UGC this week e-released a guidance document to boost quality academic research and curb plagiarism.

Titled Good Academic Research Practices (GARP), the University Grants Commission (UGC) published it in partnership with Clarivate's Web of Science indexing over 34,000 journals. The document provides a general framework for enhancing research integrity with focus on potential threats and best practices. It addresses how plagiarism, misrepresentation and fabrication can be checked...

Source: [The Times of India, 03 Oct 2020](#)

Kolkata Has The World's First Tram Library



The first tram in the world to have a library is now open in Kolkata. Passing through College Street also known as 'boipara' or "the area of books", the single coach AC tram will run regularly between Esplanade and Shyambazar, one of the oldest tram routes in the city.

Since Cyclone Amphan ravaged the city in May, tram services had remained shut until September 24

which is also the day of the inauguration of the Library On Wheels, the name of the tram library. Passengers boarding this tram are being given a free pen for a week as they leaf through magazines and books kept on shelves inside the tram...

Source: [Outlook Traveller, 26 Sep 2020](#)

Open state-owned libraries for dusting: Bengal Government



The Bengal government has ordered all state-owned libraries to open their establishments at least once every fortnight, the decision coming in the wake of reports that rare old books and centuries-old manuscripts on toddy palm leaves were getting damaged without maintenance.

All the 2,480 libraries in the state — of which 13 are government-run, 2,460 government-sponsored and seven state-aided — have been closed ever since the Covid-induced lockdown was imposed in March...

Source: [The Telegraph, 22 Sep 2020](#)

Malda librarian keeps old coins for posterity



Hundreds of coins dating back to the Sultanate era and of the current age have helped librarian Subir Saha spend his days indoors during the Covid-19 pandemic and the lockdown.

Saha, a known numismatist who stays at Green Park here, is now dreaming of developing a modest museum in association with the state government where he can display his stock of coins and ensure that the rare coins are preserved properly for the future...

Source: [The Telegraph, 22 Sep 2020](#)

9 of the best children's books about libraries and librarians



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 Book Riot, 21 Sep 2020](#)

How libraries are writing a new chapter during the pandemic

AMERICANS' LOVE AFFAIR with libraries has only grown during the pandemic—and so has their book borrowing. According to OverDrive, which libraries use to loan out digital material, weekly e-book lending across the United States has increased nearly 50 percent since March 9, even as some libraries remain physically closed...

Source: [The National Geographic Traveller Magazine, 21 Sep 2020](#)

Top Government E-learning Platform for Students



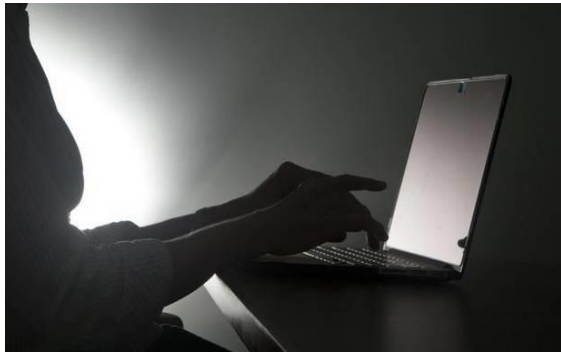
Students can avail courses as per their choice through the digital portal of the learning platforms. This e-learning platform provides both undergraduate and postgraduate courses to the students.

The e-learning initiatives of the central government is a digital platform through which students can approach the different-different course by sitting

at their homes. E-learning has taken a peak due to the pandemic. Pandemic hit the education sector worst. But this platform emerges as a big opportunity for the students. It gives a new way of learning and knowledge. The students can learn under a common platform...

Source: [Headlines Today, 19 Sep 2020](#)

Copy-paste? Think twice : A deep dive into the world of online plagiarism



Truth has perhaps been the most obvious casualty of the Internet age, as copy-paste culture has permeated the creative process. And nowhere has this been more visible than in mass media.

With the lockdown adding to the woes of an already economically stressed sector, the print industry has become victim of fly-by-night operators who duplicate copyrighted material, often within seconds of its publication online...

Source: [The Hindu, 14 Sep 2020](#)

30-Yr-Old Woman Sets Up Free Roadside Library In Arunachal Pradesh



To keep the youth away from visiting wine shops and rather inculcate the habit of reading, a 30-year-old Arunachal Pradesh woman has set up the first roadside library.

"I bought books of all kinds worth Rs 10,000 and spent another Rs 10,000 to make the wooden 'Self-Help Library'. I have kept 70-80 books there and the rest are in my room. I have been asking the kids to visit the library by offering them chocolates," Ngrurang Meena who hails from Arunachal Pradesh's Nirjuli town in Papum Pare district told The Times of India...

Source: [The Logical Indian, 13 Sep 2020](#)

Digital Library To Be Constructed In Uttarakhand For Preservation Of Sanskrit Manuscripts



Uttarakhand Chief Minister's Office (CMO) announced on Tuesday that a digital library will be constructed in the state for the preservation of Sanskrit manuscripts.

"It was decided in the meeting that budget will be provisioned for the work

of Sanskrit and for the preservation of manuscripts, a digital library will be made, and various events will be organised on the occasion of Kumbh Mela, besides conferences, seminars, training, more workshops will be organised," read a release by the Chief Minister's Office (CMO). Various competitions and drama training will also be imparted in Sanskrit by the state's Sanskrit Academy...

Source: [BWEducation, 09 Sep 2020](#)

The home library my mother-in-law built for her grandchildren has been their greatest lockdown joy



"Mom, we don't want you to gift any gold or silver or financial investments to our baby," my husband said one afternoon to his mother, when she stopped by our home on the way back from one of the international schools she was working with in Gurgaon. My belly had only just started taking on a certain rotundity when my mother-in-law had brought up the topic of what she could do for the child...

Source: [Scroll.in, 06 Sep 2020](#)

My Childhood Library Didn't Teach Me How To Ask Questions, But It's Making Me Reimagine Community Spaces



If you walk past the Kalyani Telephone Exchange, towards the Central Park with the Thana Grounds to your left, you will come across a small, nondescript building with paint peeling off its walls. This is the Kalyani Public Library, which has a magazine section, a newspaper reading room, a reference room, and a lending section that has—had, in the '90s—exactly one bookshelf dedicated to its young readers. One evening many years ago, my aunt took me to this building and filled up the membership forms on my behalf. It was a momentous day in my young life...

Source: [Huffpost, 06 Sep 2020](#)

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