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PAUSE & PONDER

“Let us always meet each other with smile, for the smile is the beginning of love.”

— Mother Teresa



May the Festival of Lights bring Happiness, Peace and Love to all!!
ADINET wishes you Happy Diwali and a very Happy and Prosperous New Year!!

Stay Safe, Stay Healthy!!

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ADINET Initiative in Memory of Dr H Anil Kumar- Innovative Practices and Perspectives - 2020



A conversation on the topic **“Innovative Library Services”** with Dr Bhakti Gala, Asst. Prof, SLIS CUG Gandhinagar and Mr Sourav Debnath, Asst. Librarian, NIT Tiruchirapalli, was organized as a part of the Initiative on 31 October 2020. The session was moderated by Dr Rashmi Kumbar, Asst. Prof, SLIS CUG Gandhinagar. Around fifty LIS professional attended the informative and intriguing Webinar.

The recoding of the Webinar would be available on [ADINET Website](#) shortly.

15 libraries to come up in Chamba



As many as 15 new libraries will be established in the district to facilitate the youth preparing for competitive and other examinations.

Chamba Deputy Commissioner DC Rana said today said the SDMs had been directed to identify appropriate places for the establishment of these libraries.

He said it would develop reading habits among the youngsters, besides instilling self-confidence in them.

Chamba district is among 112 most backward (aspirational) districts of the country identified under the Aspirational Districts’ Programme piloted by NITI Aayog. — OC

Source: [The Tribune, 02 Nov 2020](#)

Libraries offer books and so much more

October is Public Library Month and to honour the importance of public libraries in the community, members of Leeds and Thousand Islands council did a tour of the township’s libraries.

The first stop was the Landsdowne Public Library, where Mayor Corinna Smith-Gatcke presented Library Board Chair Brenda Lolley with a gift – a

brand new children's book for the library and a certificate of appreciation.

Source: [The Star, 01 Nov 2020](#)

Libraries aim to be technology hub

Clutha's libraries hope to become hubs providing community-wide access to technology during the next two years. Clutha District Council library-service centre manager Debbie Duncan said the new initiative had arisen thanks to Government funding, likely to top \$200,000 between now and July 2021.

The money had enabled the council to hire two new "digitally literate" staff, who would help formulate and oversee delivery of the new programme, both within its libraries and through community outreach.

Mrs Duncan said the new team would help improve digital connectivity and literacy within the district's communities, fulfilling the Government's drive behind the funding - "digital inclusion"...

Source: [Otago Daily Times, 29 Oct 2020](#)

UP launches Higher Education Digital library



Uttar Pradesh authorities have launched a Higher Education Digital library that will enable students to access the best content free of cost.

Students enrolled in higher education institutions in any part of the state or the country will have access to audio and video lectures and best study material prepared by experts for free, just at a click of a mouse.

The digital library will offer students a rich collection as around 1,700 teachers from 23 state universities have already uploaded over 35,000 e-content material on 134 subjects...

Source: [The Times of India, 29 Oct 2020](#)

Using reading for learning, inspiration: Why reading is essential for youth



In a technology-driven world, the best thing parents can do for their children is to raise them as well-rounded readers.

According to a Pew News research study published in September 2019, titled 'Who doesn't read books in America?', "Roughly a quarter of U.S. adults (27%) say they haven't read a book in whole or in part in the past year, whether in print, electronic or audio form."

The art of reading is one lost in our current society, resulting in a habit of constructing information bubbles that comfort and sustain a single-minded way of living.

Is this the way we want to raise the next generation?...

Source: [The Echo, 28 Oct 2020](#)

How I Started a Library for Kids in Bengaluru When I Couldn't Find Any for My 4-YO



"The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go," Dr Seuss, from 'I Can Read With My Eyes Shut!'

As a parent, what do you do to ensure that your child becomes a reader? Let me share some things that I do – introduce various kinds of books to them, make outings to bookstores a part of their routine, ensure that they see me read as much as possible to set an example...

Source: [The Better India, 27 Oct 2020](#)

PM Narendra Modi hails two Gujarat initiatives: In 4G era, hardback wisdom



For Ravjibhai Kacha, a retired school principal in Amreli, books are not just words printed on paper. "Books must be shared," said the founder of five 'Pustak Parabs' in the town, including one in a hospital.

His initiative was among the several mentioned by PM Narendra Modi in his radio programme 'Mann ki Baat' on Sunday. The other initiative from Gujarat cited by Modi was Vikas Vartul Trust from Bhavnagar...

Source: [The Times of India, 26 Oct 2020](#)

Why lockdown was the plot twist that libraries needed



When we closed the doors on Suffolk's libraries earlier this year, some staff

shed a tear. Lockdown was hard for everyone – and hearing that a few librarians struggled as their workplaces were shuttered, their colleagues were furloughed, and the range of services they'd worked hard to lay on were frozen, might induce a cry of "Come on, it's just books!" But for librarians it is never "just books". We like to say we are "books AND ..." a space for mothers to catch their breath while their kids romp around or take part in a reading group, for pensioners to come and read the paper, and for those who might have no one else to speak to to share a smile, a "hello" while they pick up a new book. A warm, safe space for anyone who seeks to find it....

Source: [The Guardian, 26 Oct 2020](#)

Search, click, download: Apps and portals to enhance your reading experience



While the global pandemic has hit many businesses, publishing - especially, ebooks - has seen a marked rise in sales. Even as hardcover and paperback sales picked up, the lockdown also saw audiobooks and ebooks make significant gains every single month.

And bookworms sure aren't complaining. Also, which true-blue book lover would not want a free book or two, or even 20 for that matter? We take a look at some of the top ebook

sites you can visit that would not make any dent in your budget....

Source: [The Indian Express, 25 Oct 2020](#)

1-m distance, book isolation box, temperature checks: Maharashtra releases SOP as libraries reopen



A DAY after the state government allowed libraries in the state to reopen, 'Vaachan Purna Din' events, organised every year to inspire reading habits, were organised by several government libraries to commemorate the birth anniversary of former President of India and scientist Dr APJ Abdul Kalam — but without an audience...

Source: [The Indian Express, 16 Oct 2020](#)

Publishers Worry as Ebooks Fly off Libraries' Virtual Shelves



BEFORE SARAH ADLER moved to Maryland last week, she used library cards from her Washington, DC, home and neighboring counties in Virginia and Maryland to read books online. The Libby app, a slick and easy-to-use service from the company OverDrive, gave her access to millions of titles. When she moved, she picked up another card, and access to another library's e-collection, as well as a larger consortium that the library belongs to. She does almost all of her reading on her phone, through the app, catching a page or two between working on her novels and caring for her 2-year-old. With her husband also at home, she's been reading more books, mostly historical romance and literature, during the pandemic. In 2020, she estimates, she's read 150 books...

Source: [Wired, 01 Oct 2020](#)

Reading to Children: Why It's So Important and How to Start



Babies and young children are sponges that soak in practically everything in their environments. It's true! Even during story time, their minds are at work, taking in all the language they hear and lessons the characters learn.

Reading to your child — at any age — will boost their brain development, your bond, and so much more. And all it takes is a few books, motivation, and a little time.

Here's how to get started...

Source: [Healthline, October 2020](#)

'It's Because of You': A librarian turned author pays tribute to her Biology Teacher



The library space has remained a constant in her life. As a librarian, she would visit one every day and consume books with the regularity as one would breathe air. And now, life has come a full circle as Bhawna Goswami, 25, launched her own book, *It's Because of You*, based on a real-life story of a student who is full of gratitude towards her teacher...

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

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