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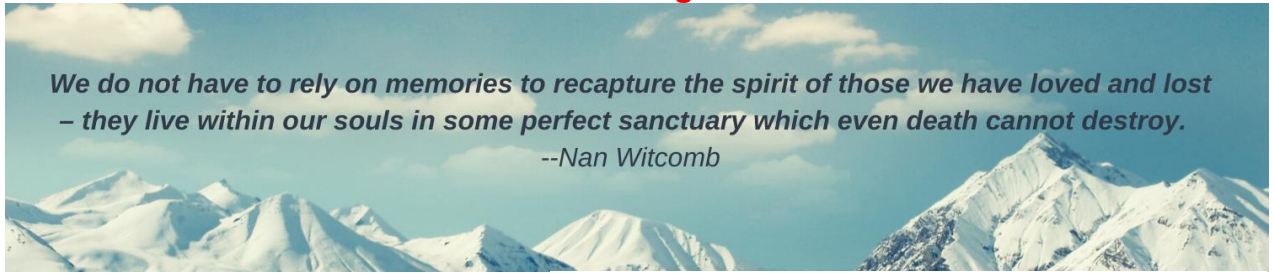
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## Reminiscence: Remembering Late Dr. H. Anilkumar



*We do not have to rely on memories to recapture the spirit of those we have loved and lost – they live within our souls in some perfect sanctuary which even death cannot destroy.*  
--Nan Witcomb



### Homage to Dr H. Anilkumar

On behalf of the LIS Professionals **ADINET** pays respectful Homage to Late Dr Anilkumar on his First Death Anniversary.

You may be gone physically, but your presence is felt each moment that keeps inspiring the generation of LIS Professionals.

Happy Birthday, Dr. Anilkumar!!  
Stay Happy in your Heavenly Abode.  
Rest in Peace!!





## Tribute Notes

### Dr H. Anilkumar



"Feeble attempt to encapsulate Anil in words could be – a caring individual, a dear friend, a visionary, a person who knows how to seek out resources and deploy them, and a person who loved his profession and his colleagues, to push them out of their comfort zones, to improve not only the libraries but also the world. I can only echo what each of you are feeling deep inside – Anil we miss you."

**Dr MadhuKumar Mehta**  
Founding Team Member, icreate



"Anil Sir, we owe extraordinary learnings in our professional and personal life because of you, when it comes to understanding library professional's requirements, library culture, product design, customer support, business ethics and library eco system. Every day and every moment, we are living in your teachings, For us, you are immortal and you will always stay as biggest reason for our success in library market"

**RapidRadio Family**



"I first met Anil at Nirma University, our friendship and comradeship grew thicker and stronger over the two and half decades. And this got extended to our colleagues and families too. Memories of Anil keep me always ponder on his farsightedness, relentless perseverance, patience as well as persistence. Many of his wonderful contributions are living testimonies of the kind of unparalleled professionalism he possessed and portrayed. It is a year now since we lost him on 17 July 2020, but not even a single day pass by without his remembrance and reference in my discussions.

My prayers to God for His Soul to Rest in Peace and give courage and strength to his family and colleagues to bear the irreparable loss."

**Dr. M.G. Sreekumar**  
Director, Libraries (Jio Institute)  
(on behalf of MANLIBNET, IIM Libraries Consortium and APBSLG)



"Anil dedicated his life to the library and information science field and set the benchmark in library infrastructure and information services areas. He was a visionary, an excellent negotiator, and a champion in the library field. He had created a library practice knowledge highway for others to work smoothly and smartly."

**Dr. Shailesh R. Yagnik**  
Sr. Advisor-MIMI and KEIC



**'Dr. H. Anil Kumar - A Brilliant Mentor and Guardian Angel!**

Anil sir was a larger-than-life figure in our entrepreneurial journey, advising, encouraging and supporting us at every stage. We were fortunate to have been his mentees. He was one of a kind, dominant intellect in the library profession.

Anil sir was brilliant, altruistic, gracious, charismatic and visionary, and for all those reasons he was a towering figure in our life and career. And while we will miss him as a mentor and guardian, I'm comforted by the knowledge that his accomplishments are enduring and will continue to exemplify the very best in the field of library science.

We will try our best to carry his teachings and legacy forward and inspire young entrepreneurs in the future.

In loving memory of our mentor Dr. H. Anil Kumar."



**Jatin Baraiya**  
Co-Founder, Eclat Engineering Pvt. Ltd.



**[Reminder] Librarian's Day Seminar 2021 [Online Event] on 14 August 2021**

ADINET in collaboration with National Institute of Design (NID), Ahmedabad will be conducting the seminar on **14th August 2021** Online.

The seminar is held in the commemoration of the birth anniversary of Dr. S. R. Ranganathan, Father of Library Science of India.

The theme of the seminar is **Current Trends in Academics: The Way Forward to Create Agile and Resilient Libraries**

**Sub-Theme 1:** *Current trends in imparting education*

**Sub-Theme 2:** *Role of libraries in supporting education during and post pandemic*

**Sub-Theme 3:** *Case studies of Agile and Resilient Libraries*

**Sub-Theme 4:** *Role of institutional archives in supporting academics and research*

**Registration Deadline: 25<sup>th</sup> July 2021.**  
Download the [Seminar Brochure](#)

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**Google Dataset Search: Using open access tools during the research process**



We often discuss publications and publishing open access (OA) materials in these news items, but the OA movement can be a part of many other steps of the research process. Many researchers choose to make the datasets their research is based on open access as well. This can be done as part of a funding institution's requirements, to increase transparency and reproducibility, or simply because they wish to make their data easily available to other researchers...

Source: [Illinois State University News](#), 14 Jul 2021

**Andhra Pradesh: Targets set for village clinics, digital libraries**



VIJAYAWADA: Chief Minister Y S Jagan Mohan Reddy set targets for the panchayat raj and rural development department to complete construction of buildings for village clinics, digital libraries and village and ward secretariats. He wanted the officials to complete the works and hand over the finished buildings to the respective department by the end of 2021. The chief minister addressed officials during a review meeting at his Tadepalli camp office on Tuesday. The officials briefed him on the progress of the construction work of all three categories. He also reviewed the provision of basic infrastructure in Jagananna colonies...

Source: [The Times of India, 14 Jul 2021](#)

### Gram panchayat libraries to be turned into digital classrooms in Karnataka



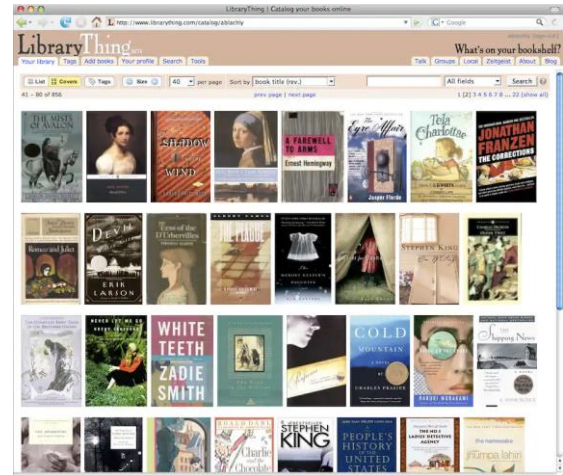
The Karnataka government in an attempt to reach out to the children who are not able to take online classes and do not have access to television is contemplating turning Gram Panchayat libraries into digital classrooms.

Education Minister S.Suresh Kumar had already held meetings with educational experts and advisor to the government of Karnataka on academics Prof. Dore Swamy and Prashanth Prakash, who is advisor to the Chief Minister B.S.

Yediyurappa in this regard for faster implementation of the project...

Source: [The Tribune, 13 Jul 2021](#)

### Beyond Goodreads: Four tools that help readers track their books



Serious readers, much like sports fans, often relish keeping track of stats. Many turn to Goodreads, a large social cataloguing website that allows users to log, discuss, review and rate the books they read. (Goodreads is owned by Amazon, whose founder, Jeff Bezos, owns The Washington Post.)

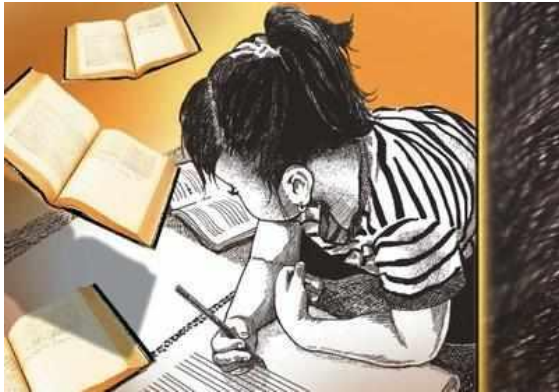
But increasingly, there are websites and apps beyond Goodreads for analyzing your reading habits. Whether you want to boost your reading speed, keep track of your growing personal library or find just the right book to fit your mood, here are four reading tools to consider...

Source: [The Washington Post, 10 Jul 2021](#)

### Raut wants kids' library to restart

Nagpur: District guardian minister Nitin Raut on Thursday expressed his intention to restart kids' library in the city. The city used to have exclusive libraries for children in the past, said

Raut and added that the library will have facilities like play zone and story books. He said this during a review meeting on Nagpur Municipal Corporation (NMC) run libraries and study rooms. Raut also asked NMC to prepare a proposal seeking funds from state government for smooth functioning of libraries and study rooms.



Municipal commissioner Radhakrishnan B informed the minister that the civic body has 34 libraries and 77 study rooms. Some of these are operated and managed by NMC while some were given to self-help groups....

Source: [The Times of India, 08 Jul 2021](#)

**Researchers from low-income countries to benefit from APC-free OA publishing in all IOPP journals**



Researchers from low-income countries can now publish open access (OA) for free in any IOP Publishing (IOPP) fully OA or hybrid OA journal. Article publication charges (APCs) will be automatically waived for researchers from countries defined as low-income by

the World Bank, with no need for the author to request a waiver

OA publication is integral to making research more accessible to all, yet the associated APCs are frequently not available to researchers from low-income countries. IOPP's decision to extend its waivers policy to its hybrid journals recognises the importance of author choice and gives researchers from regions where necessary funding is not available a greater opportunity to contribute to the global body of research....

Source: [EurekaAlert, 06 Jul 2021](#)

**News reading helps to motivate kids to be a good global citizen**



No one really denies reading broadens the mind. According to the results of the 18th National Reading Survey released by the China Press and Publication Research Institute in April 2020, the average Chinese adult reads 4.7 books a year. Israel ranks first in the world at 60 books a year, followed by Japan at 40.

As we still march on the journey of a lifelong reading habit, the critical challenge for modern society is how to cultivate it and keep self-motivated when we face a digital world, and how



to be a global citizen with bilingual or multi-language skills.

When we take a look to Israel and Japan, family reading tradition matters most.

Children can easily get to books in their living space, and the parents' love for reading sets a good example for the next generation....

Source: [SHINE.CN, 30 Jun 2021](#)

### Amazon's latest Alexa trick is helping kids read



Amazon has announced a new feature for its Kids Plus service on Fire tablets and Echo smart speakers called Reading Sidekick. Designed to help kids improve their reading skills and ability, the Reading Sidekick allows kids to read either physical or digital books along with Alexa by taking turns at reading the books aloud with the digital assistant...

Source: [The Verge, 29 Jun 2021](#)

### Read and Grow with Career in Library

The National Reading Day was celebrated on June 19th around the country mostly digitally as schools and other educational institutions are closed. There is no doubt that libraries create opportunities for learning, support

literacy, and education, and help shape the new ideas and perspectives that are vital to a creative and innovative society.



Puthuvayil Narayana Panicker (1st March 1909 – 19th June 1995) is known as the “Father of the Library Movement” in the Indian state of Kerala. Because of this, June 19, his death anniversary, has been observed in Kerala as Vayanadinam (Reading Day) since 1996. In 2017, our prime minister declared the day as national reading day in India. The following month is also observed as National Reading Month in India...

Source: [The Shillong Times, 20 Jun 2021](#)



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