

**ADINET (Advanced Information Network of Libraries in Gujarat)**  
**e-News Digest**

**No. 97**

**August – 2023**

<b>CONTENTS</b>	<b>Page No.</b>
Pause & Ponder	2
ADINET Librarian's Day 2023	2
10 essential habits every student must cultivate for success	2
Rural libraries in Karnataka to remain open for eight hours	2
Community libraries gain popularity as peaceful havens	3
Libraries are repositories of knowledge, must be revived	3
Have you heard of the book 'What You Are Looking For Is In The Library'?	4
Centre Renames Nehru Memorial As Prime Ministers' Museum And Library	4
Indians spend 194 minutes a day on social media platforms like Instagram, Facebook and X	4
Entire Library In Your Pocket: How Technology Is Transforming The Reading Experience For Booklovers	5
Shanghai Welcomes AI-Powered 'Smart Libraries'	5
'Look at reading from a rights perspective': Why library activists want free public libraries	5
One Nation, One Digital Library: India sets its eyes on libraries of the future	6
Books at high-profile libraries just a click away	6

## Pause & Ponder

**“Unsuccessful people make their decisions based on their current situations. Successful people make their decisions based on where they want to be.”**

**— Benjamin Hardy**

## ADINET Librarian’s Day 2023



**Floral Rangoli at the venue**



**Inaugural Session**

ADINET in Collaboration with INFLIBNET Organized One-Day Seminar on **Open Access Resources in Libraries & Their Impact on Education** in Conjunction with **Librarian's Day 2023** Celebration of Dr. S. R. Ranganathan Birth Anniversary on **12th August 2023** at INFLIBNET Centre, Gandhinagar.

Details of the event with photographs will be available on [ADINET Website](#) soon.

## \*Readers Please Note\*

Follow the “Title” of each News to continue to Read further

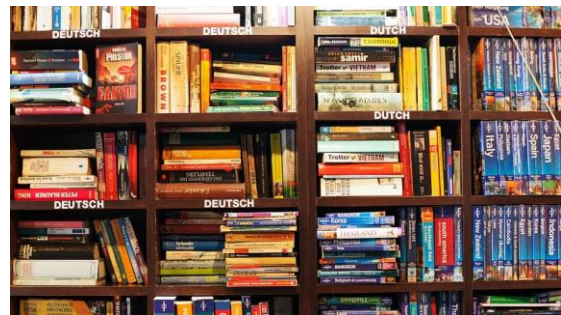
**10 essential habits every student must cultivate for success**



Being a student is much more than just attending classes and completing assignments. It's a transformative phase of life where you not only acquire knowledge but also develop crucial life skills and habits that will shape your future. Cultivating the right habits during your student years can pave the way for academic excellence, personal growth, and a successful future...

Source: [India Today, 21 Aug 2023](#)

**Rural libraries in Karnataka to remain open for eight hours**



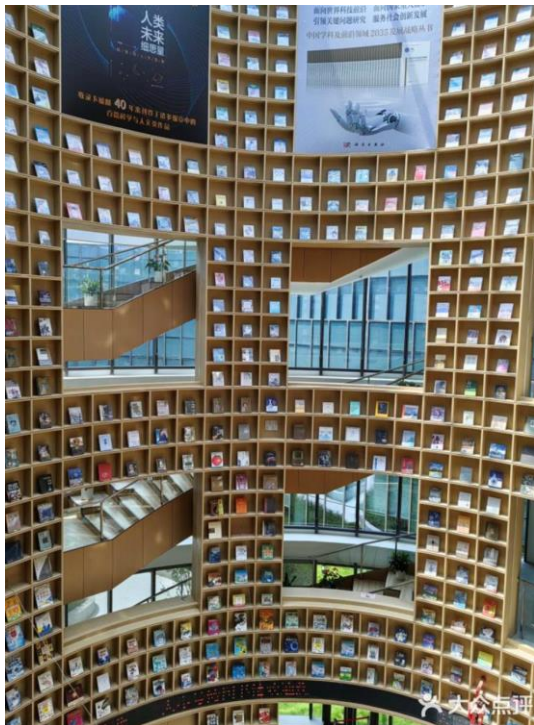
The state government on Thursday issued an order increasing the daily work hours of gram panchayat libraries from six hours to eight hours while

fixing a minimum wage for supervisors working there.

According to the order, the gram panchayat libraries will be renamed as 'Arivu Kendras'. The libraries will remain closed on public holidays, second and fourth Tuesdays and every Monday (weekly off). On the first and third Tuesdays, all Wednesday Thursdays and Fridays, the libraries will be open from 9 am to 1 pm and 3 pm to 7 pm...

Source: [Deccan Herald, 19 Aug 2023](#)

### **Community libraries gain popularity as peaceful havens**



Social media posts about community libraries have gone viral and city residents are sharing notes and comments about their favorite places to hide from the summer heat and make the most of their reading time.

"City read" has become the latest buzzword on social media as a cost-effective way of concentrating on study, work, or casual reading.

Vicky Sha has two school-aged children and said she has taken them to the nearby library, which is 10 minutes walk from her home, since the summer break began.

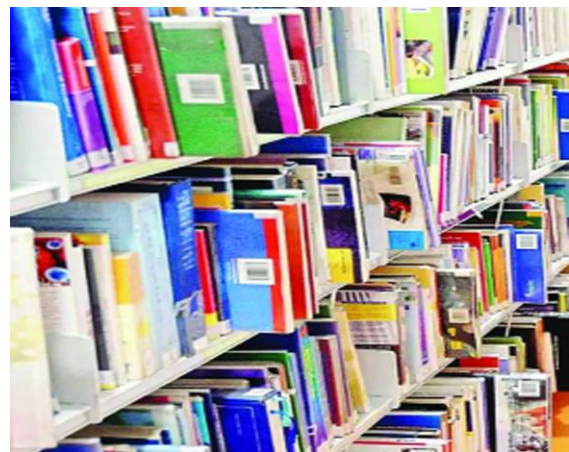
"What a quiet study place and I fully trust them to take care of themselves while I'm at work," she said.

"There's no distraction here and students can concentrate on their summer school homework, and at the weekends, I sometimes join them for reading."

According to the Shanghai Administration of Culture and Tourism, the city has 17 district-level public libraries and 219 community libraries, in addition to two city-level sites....

Source: [Shanghai Daily, 18 Aug 2023](#)

### **Libraries are repositories of knowledge, must be revived**



Library is the temple of knowledge and even in this digital era, thousands of people depend solely on public libraries for knowledge gathering

Libraries symbolize the progress of civilization," Droupadi Murmu, President of India. Every year National Librarian's Day is celebrated commemorating the birth anniversary



of Padmashri Dr. S. R. Ranganathan, the father of Library Science in India.

He was the doyen of library science in India who developed the systematic classification of books, the colon classification and also penned the five laws of library science. The five laws he developed - Books are for use, Every reader, his book, Every book, its reader, Save the time of the reader; and A library is a growing organism, form the fundamental tenet of a library. Very often most of our librarians forget these principles and behave in an unwelcoming manner towards the readers...

Source: *The Pioneer*, 17 Aug 2023

**Have you heard of the book 'What You Are Looking For Is In The Library'?**



Sayuri Komachi might have book recommendations that might change your life. Intrigued? Then you have to get your hands on the Japanese bestselling novel What You Are Looking For Is In The Library by Michiko Aoyama. A librarian suggests books to five customers. But these five people are not just bibliophiles with no frown in sight, visiting a library. They are, incidentally, at critical junctures of their lives. Sayuri, the librarian, has an impeccable sense of knowing what the person on the other side of the counter needs...

Source: *The Telegraph Online*, 17 Aug 2023

**Centre Renames Nehru Memorial As Prime Ministers' Museum And Library**



The Nehru Memorial Museum and Library (NMML) has officially been renamed as the Prime Ministers' Museum and Library (PMML) Society.

The famous Nehru Memorial Museum and Library at Delhi's Teen Murti Bhavan complex has been renamed as the Prime Ministers' Museum and Library Society. The refurbished complex offers a whole new look. With spanking new interiors depicting the lives and times of all the Prime Ministers who shaped India...

Source: *Business Today*, 17 Aug 2023

**Indians spend 194 minutes a day on social media platforms like Instagram, Facebook and X**



Tech and policy think tank Esya Centre has found that daily

engagement in terms of time spent is the highest for social media at 194 minutes a day. This number for OTT and Online Gaming stands at 44 minutes and 46 minutes, respectively, and when it comes to time and use pattern, a median user spends less than Rs 100 a month and less than an hour a day on online gaming while the corresponding number is Rs 200-400 for OTT.

This was part of a report it released titled “New-Age Digital Consumption: A Survey of Social Media, OTT Content and Online Gaming” in which it called India’s regulatory landscape more progressive than its peers. “India is moving from a command-and-control model of regulatory oversight to a light touch model for new industries. While technology is dynamic, consumption patterns are more predictable. Therefore, building a profile of a Digital Nagrik and their consumption patterns can form the crux to an agile policy ecosystem for the three sectors. An attempt our report aims to make,” Rajat Sharma, Associate Professor, Indian Institute of Management Ahmedabad (IIM-A) said...

Source: [Business Today, 17 Aug 2023](#)

### **Entire Library In Your Pocket: How Technology Is Transforming The Reading Experience For Booklovers**



Virtually every aspect of our lives has been touched by the transformative power of innovation. The realm of

reading is no exception, as technology has ushered in a new era of literary engagement. From digital books to interactive platforms, and even the rise of audiobooks, the reading experience has evolved into something far beyond the traditional page. In this article, we delve into the various ways technology is reshaping the reading landscape...

Source: [Timesnow News, 14 Aug 2023](#)

### **Shanghai Welcomes AI-Powered ‘Smart Libraries’**



At Changning Library in downtown Shanghai, visitors are greeted by a digital human who can hold conversations, recommend new books, reserve seats in the library, and more.

The avatar, named Xin Ye, is equipped with an advanced recommendation algorithm. Once she scans visitors’ library cards — or faces — she uses borrowing records and reading history to identify books they would enjoy, which can be delivered to their reserved seats via robot...

Source: [Radii, 09 Aug 2023](#)

### **‘Look at reading from a rights perspective’: Why library activists want free public libraries**

The Free Libraries Network (FLN), a coalition of free libraries and librarians advocating for free library access and the right to read in India and South Asia, are part of the Festival of Libraries on August 5 and 6, 2023, in New Delhi.



This conference focused on the library landscape in India, will give FLN the opportunity to discuss the need for a public library system that offers free access to books and information to all people...

Source: [Scroll.in, 05 Aug 2023](#)

### **One Nation, One Digital Library: India sets its eyes on libraries of the future**



When the princely state of Rampur was founded in the 18th century after a truce between the nawabs of Oudh and Rampur, one of the first acts of its new ruler was to set up a library. The Rampur Raza Library was built by the new nawab, Faizullah Khan, in 1774. Located nearly 200km from Delhi in Uttar Pradesh, Rampur was the

destination for poets, musicians and calligraphers who found support in the local rulers. Faizullah Khan also ensured a steady flow of manuscripts to the new library from such faraway places as Persia and Turkey...

Source: [Moneycontrol, 21 Jul 2023](#)

### **Books at high-profile libraries just a click away**



The Centre will soon launch a centralised repository of books accessible at all libraries across the country, including the high-profile Parliament Library, the Prime Ministers' Museum and Library and the collection at Rashtrapati Bhavan.

### **Pilot in 13 libraries**

The move which is likely to be hugely beneficial for academics, teachers and writers is being launched on a pilot basis in 13 libraries and would be replicated across the country after a review, a senior official of the Union Culture Ministry said.

These libraries include the ones at Indira Gandhi National Centre for Arts, the National Library Kolkata, Central Secretariat Library, New Delhi and the Khuda Baksh Oriental Public Library...

Source: [The Hindu, 20 Jul 2023](#)

**This issue has been compiled by the  
Institute for Plasma Research (IPR)  
Library, Gandhinagar**