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A Report on “Webinar on Role of library in higher education: present & future Organised by Deshabandhu Mahavidyalaya, Chittaranjan” organized by Library of Deshabandhu Mahavidyalaya, Chittaranjan-713331, under the aegis of IQAC.

Date: 3rd July, 2020

Time: 3:00 p.m.

Number of participants: 40

A one-day webinar during the period of lockdown has been organized by the library under the aegis of IQAC of the college Desha Bandhu Mahavidyalaya, Chittaranjan-713331. The seminar started from 3:00 p.m. & the seminar was around 3 hours and 30 minutes of duration.

The main objectives of this seminar was the use of the library during the covid period, especially availability of e-resources and the students can continue their studies at this time and get open access resources and also take into consideration the psychological factors of the users. This webinar highlights the issues that how the library can overcome the covid situation and restarted services at post-pandemic period and in that case the infrastructural changes and necessary steps are required to control the situation.

Dr. Parthasarathi Mukhopadhaya HOD & Professor, Department of Library and Information Science Kalyani University, Kalyani, West Bengal; Dr. Nimai Chand Saha Librarian, Visva Bharati, West Bengal and Dr. Saptarshi Ghosh Assistant Professor, Department of Library and Information Science University of North Bengal was our invited resource persons of the webinar. Around 40 numbers of participants were present in the webinar.

The inauguration session was started with the welcoming address given by our teacher in charge Dr. Sagar Chandra Bandyopadhyaya who was the chief patron of the webinar. A welcoming speech was also given by the IQAC coordinator Mr. Braja Gopal Goswami. They both spoke about conducting studies in the wake of the Covid situation and the relevance and importance of the webinar in this context. They expressed their own opinion about the relevance and importance of the webinar in this regard. Librarian, Samayita Dutta, who was the convenor of the webinar briefly gave an introduction and the implications of the webinar and also introduced the resource persons before their deliberations.

Dr. Nimai Chand Saha discusses on his topic “Covid-19 & paradigm shift of library: pre & post lockdown era” the change in demand of the users during the pandemic period as well as the change in the socio-economic factors of modern society. He compares the requirements and the services that the libraries of the colleges were given during the pre-lockdown era and the services that would be provided after covid situation. He points out the actual needs of the users to initially get rid of the situation by highlighting the major areas in which dimensions the change occurs, such as a shift in demand in increasing access to e-resources and thereby rise in demand in resource sharing and the requirements of user awareness for accessing e-resources. He also depicts the development of infrastructural facilities regarding ICT and the necessity of modern equipment in the library in this regard.

Dr. Saptarshi Ghosh on his topic discusses “Reopening library in the “new normal”: current context”. He also analyses certain changes in services of the library that occurred during the



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covid period by comparing pre and post-lockdown periods and also points out the effective measures that should be undertaken to meet the challenge of the post-lockdown period termed as “new normal”. He emphasized the matter of self-awareness and self-management of the users and thereby how one can overcome the situation by strengthening his / her emotional and psychological difficulties.

Dr. Parthasarathy Mukhopadhyaya in his presentation discusses “Virtual Learning and Open Access What Academic Libraries Can Do” in the context of four fundamental facets Open and Distributed Information Systems, Open-Source Software and Open Standards, Open open-access publishing systems, and Open Learning System. Dr. Mukhopadhyay also considers the undergoing changes in the socio-economic factors such as gross enrolment ratios in higher education, demographic dividend, budget, and related factors and their effect on the Higher Education System in India. He mainly discusses the shift in ICT-enabled learning systems; how the e-learning system would be on a digital learning platform or virtual learning platform, and thereby the integrated learning system can be organized by analyzing the 4-quadrant approach of MOOCs & blended learning system in this context. He gives us some ideas of a four-layer model of integrated service layer architecture and content architecture in this respect.

There was also a question answers session at the end of each session.

The meeting ended with thanks given to the resource persons, Teacher-in-charge, IQAC coordinator, faculty members, and other participants by the convenor Samayita Dutta.


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Webinar

on

Role of library in higher education: present & future

Organised by

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Date & Time: 3rd July, 2020 at 3 PM

About the webinar: The Covid-19 Pandemic and the nation-wide lock down has made serious impact on every sphere of our life including education. Library as an integral part of higher educational institutes too has been facing the challenge to cope with the adversities of the situation. The webinar has been designed to deal with the mode of combatting this challenge with a view to extending library service during such a challenge.



Patron

Dr. Sagar Chandra Bandyopadhyaya
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Platform: **Google Meet**

<https://meet.google.com/qkn-qhuq-ajh>

Registration Form:

<https://forms.gle/9j3pyvLjnNx9R96W9>

Resource persons:

**Topic: Open access resources:
reshaping teaching learning &
research**



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