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Dear Dr. Meeta,

I am delighted to inform you that Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts (IGNCA), Ministry of Culture, Government of India, in collaboration with Central Sanskrit University, New Delhi is organising a 3-Day Symposium on "Transforming Sanskrit Libraries in the Context of NEP 2020 for Viksit Bharat@2047 from March 26-28, 2025, at Samvet Auditorium, IGNCA, New Delhi.

It is with great honor and privilege to extend a cordial invitation to you as **Chair** of the Panel Discussion titled **Library Cooperation and Networking** at the 3-Day Symposium as per details given below:-

Session Details:

📅 Date: March 27, 2025

🕒 Time: 04:00 PM - 05:30 PM

📍 Venue: Samvet Auditorium, IGNCA, Janpath

This first-of-its-kind symposium is being exclusively organized for library professionals from Sanskrit universities and institutions across India. The event aims to empower library professionals with knowledge and skills, facilitate the exchange of best practices, and drive the transformation of Sanskrit libraries in alignment with the vision of Viksit Bharat@2047 and the objectives of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020.

Your presence and inspiring, enriching & enlightening insights will serve as a catalyst in motivating all stakeholders to modernize and enhance Sanskrit libraries as Hubs of Knowledge Dissemination, while fostering the growth and preservation of the Indian Knowledge System. Kindly find enclosed the Programme Schedule of the Symposium.

We do sincerely hope that you will accept our invitation and enrich the symposium with your presence.

We look forward to welcoming you to this prestigious event.

Regards

Yours sincerely,

Ramesh C. Gaur

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PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

Day - 1 (26th March, 2025)

09.00 A.M. - 10.00 A.M.

Registrations

10.00 A.M. - 11.30 A.M.

- Arrival of Guests & Inviting them on Dias
- Lighting of lamp & Vedic Invocation/ Sarasvati Vandana & CSU Kulgeet
- Felicitation of Guests

Welcome Address by Dr. P. M. Gupta, University Librarian, Central Sanskrit University, New Delhi

Opening Address by Prof. (Dr.) Ramesh C. Gaur, Director & Head – Kala Nidhi Division & Dean (Administration), IGNCA & Symposium Chair

Address by Guest of Honour: Prof. Santishree Dhulipudi Pandit, Vice Chancellor, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi

Address by Guest of Honour: Shri Shankaranand BR, National Organizing Secretary, Bharatiya Shikshan Mandal

Address by Patron: Dr. Sachchidanand Joshi, Member Secretary, IGNCA

Address by Chief Patron: Prof. Shrinivasa Varakhedi, Vice Chancellor, Central Sanskrit University, New Delhi

Address by Chief Guest: Dr. Sukanta Majumdar, Hon’ble Minister of State for Education, Ministry of Education, Government of India

Vote of Thanks

Rapporteur:

Sh. Mayank Singh, Project Associate, UNESCO Cell, Kala Nidhi Division, IGNCA

11.30 A.M. - 12.00 P.M.

Tea Break

12.00 P.M. - 01.15 P.M.

Panel Discussion – 1: Vice Chancellor’s Panel Discussion: Sanskrit and Indic Libraries for Viksit Bharat @ 2047

Chair: Prof. Ramesh Chander Bhardwaj, Vice Chancellor, Maharshi Valmiki Sanskrit University, Haryana

Co-chair: Prof. Shrinivasa Varakhedi, Vice Chancellor, Central Sanskrit University

Panelists: -

1. Prof. Muralimanohar Pathak, Vice Chancellor, Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri National Sanskrit University, New Delhi
2. Prof. Rani Sadasiva Murty, Vice Chancellor, Sri Venkateswara Vedic University, Tirupati
3. Prof. Baidyanath Labh, Vice Chancellor, Sanchi University of Buddhist-Indic Studies, Sanchi, Madhya Pradesh
4. Prof. K. K. Geethakumary, Vice Chancellor, Sree Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit, Kerala

Rapporteur:

Dr. Poulomee Dasgupta, Project Assistant, Kala Nidhi Division, IGNCA

01.15 P.M. - 02.00 P.M.

Lunch

02.00 P.M. - 03.45 P.M.

Panel Discussion – 2: Library Automation to Resource Discovery: “Opportunities and Challenges for Sanskrit Libraries”

Chair: Dr. Nandkishor Ramrao Motewar, Director, Knowledge Resource Centre, University of Mumbai

Keynote Speaker: Dr. P. M. Gupta, University Librarian, Central Sanskrit University, New Delhi

Panelists:

1. Dr. Nabi Hasan, Librarian & Head, Central Library, IIT Delhi
2. Dr. Deepak Kapade, Director, Knowledge Resource Centre, Kavalkulaguru, Kalidas Sanskrit University
3. Dr. Vikram Kumar Sharma, University Librarian, Central University of Himachal Pradesh
4. Dr. Sudipta Biswas, College Librarian, Ramakrishna Mission, Vivekananda Centenary College, Kolkata

Rapporteur:

Dr. Anand Shivram Rautmale, Deputy Librarian, Guruvayoor Campus Library, CSU, Kerala

03.45 P.M. - 04.00 P.M.

Tea Break

04.00 P.M. - 06.00 P.M.

Technical Session – 1: Sanskrit and Indic Digital Repositories: “Issues and Challenges”

Chair: Prof. (Dr.) Ramesh C. Gaur, Director & Head – Kala Nidhi Division & Dean (Administration), IGNC

Keynote Speakers:

1. Prof. Ajay Pratap Singh, Director General, National Library of India, Kolkata
2. Dr. B. Sutradhar, Librarian, Central Library, IIT Kharagpur
3. Dr. Viswajanani J. Sattigeri, Head, Traditional Knowledge Digital Library (TKDL) Unit, CSIR, New Delhi

Rapporteur:

Dr. Snehlata Upadhyay, Assistant Librarian, HQ Library, CSU, New Delhi

06.00 P.M. - 06.15 P.M.

Tea Break

06.15 P.M. - 07.00 P.M.

Cultural Programme: Odissi Dance by Smt. Vani Madhav and Group

07.00 P.M. Onwards

Dinner

Day - 2 (27th March, 2025)

09.30 A.M. - 11.15 A.M.

Panel Discussion – 3: भारतीय ज्ञान परंपरा एवं विकसित भारत

Chair: Prof. A. B. Shukla, Prof. & HoD - Bharat Vidya Prayojana (BVP), IGNC

Co-chair: Prof. Madan Mohan Jha, Dean of Academic Affairs & Student Welfare, Central Sanskrit University, New Delhi

Keynote Speaker:

Prof. (Dr.) Sampadananda Mishra, Director, Centre for Human Sciences, Rishihood University, Sonapat, Haryana

Panelists: -

1. Prof. Om Nath Bimali, Professor & HoD, Dept. of Sanskrit, University of Delhi
2. Dr. Sudhir Lall, Professor & Head, Kalakosa Division, IGNC
3. Dr. Ruchika Singh, Coordinator, IKS Division, Ministry of Education, GOI

Rapporteur:

Mr. Kumar Rohit, Assistant Librarian, Shri Ranbir Campus Library, CSU, J&K

- 11.15 A.M. - 11.30 A.M. *Tea Break*
- 11.30 A.M. - 01.15 P.M. **Technical Session – 2: INFLIBNET Library Information and Services**
Chair: Prof. (Dr.) Ramesh C. Gaur, Director & Head – Kala Nidhi Division & Dean (Administration), IGNC
Co-chair: Dr. M. Doraswamy, University Librarian and Vice Chancellor (I/c), Dravidian University (Languages), Andhra Pradesh
Keynote Speaker: Prof. Devika Madalli, Director, INFLIBNET Centre & INFLIBNET Team (Shodhganga, One Nation One Subscription (ONOS), IRINS, INFED, Other relevant services)
Rapporteur:
Dr. Akash Babu Jain, Assistant Librarian, Rajiv Gandhi Campus Library, CSU, Karnataka
- 01.15 P.M. - 02.00 P.M. *Lunch*
- 02.00 P.M. - 03.45 P.M. **Panel Discussion – 4: Research and Publication Ethics**
Chair: Dr. Sanjay Kataria, Director - Library & Professor, Learning Resource Centre, Bennett University Greater Noida, U. P.
Keynote Speaker: Prof. (Dr.) Ramesh C. Gaur, Director & Head – Kala Nidhi Division & Dean (Administration), IGNC
Panelists: -
1. Dr. Priya Rai, University Librarian, National Law University, New Delhi
2. Dr. Praveen Babbar, Deputy Librarian, JNU
3. Dr. Trupti D. More, Librarian, Deccan College, PGRI, Pune
4. Dr. Bibhuti Bhushan Pattanaik, Assistant Librarian, JNU
Rapporteur:
Mr. Jai Singh, Assistant Librarian, Jaipur Campus Library, CSU, Jaipur
- 03.45 P.M. - 04.00 P.M. *Tea Break*
- 04.00 P.M. - 05.30 P.M. **Panel Discussion – 5: Library Cooperation and Networking**
Chair: Dr. Meeta Vansadia, Director, Sarvajanik University, Gujarat
Keynote Speaker: Dr. Sangeeta Kaul, Director, DELNET, Delhi
Panelists: -
1. Dr. P. M. Gupta, University Librarian, Central Sanskrit University, New Delhi
2. Dr. Akash Singh, Librarian and Head, LDD, NCERT, New Delhi
3. Dr. Vasanth N., Deputy Librarian, National Sanskrit University, Tirupati
4. Dr. Rajesh Pandey, Assistant Librarian, Lal Bahadur Sanskrit University, New Delhi
Rapporteur:
Sh. Ankit Rana, Library & Information Assistant, IGNC
- 05.30 P.M. - 06.30 P.M. Folk Culture Performance

Day - 3 (28th March, 2025)

09.00 A.M. - 10.00 A.M.

Technical Session – 3: Preservation and Conservation of Library Materials

Chair: Dr. Ajit Kumar, Director, Central Secretariat Library, Ministry of Culture, Government of India

Resource Person: IGNC A Conservation Team

Rapporteur:

Dr. Ramroop, Deputy Librarian, Ganganath Jha Campus Library, CSU, Prayagraj-UP

10.00 A.M. - 11.00 A.M.

Technical Session – 4: Demonstration of KOHA Library Automation Software

Chair: Sh. Kumar Sanjay, Director (Library), Niti Ayog

Resource Persons:

1. Sh. Kumar Sanjay, Director (Library), Niti Ayog
2. Sh. Dheeraj Sharma, Library & Information Assistant, IGNC A

Rapporteur:

Mr. Ankit Kumar Meena, Library & Information Assistant, IGNC A

11.00 A.M. - 11.15 A.M.

Tea Break

11.15 A.M. - 12.15 P.M.

Technical Session – 5: OJS Demonstration and Platform Installation

Chair: Dr. E. Gajalakshmi, Librarian, National School of Drama (NSD), New Delhi

Resource Person: Sh. Atul Kumar Pal, Assistant Librarian, Central Library, University of Delhi

Rapporteur:

Sh. Satish Kumar, Library & Information Assistant, IGNC A

12.15 P.M. - 01.15 P.M.

Technical Session – 6: Gyan Bharatam Mission

Chair: Prof. P. Jha, Director (CIL), IGNC A

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Anirban Dash, Director, National Manuscript Mission, IGNC A

Rapporteur:

Dr. Naveen Kumar, Project Associate, Kala Nidhi Division, IGNC A

01.15 P.M. - 02.00 P.M.

Lunch

02.00 P.M. - 03.45 P.M.

Panel Discussion – 6: Role of NEP 2020 in Transforming of Sanskrit Libraries for Viksit Bharat

Chair: Prof. Ravi Tekchandani, Director, Sindhi Council, Ministry of Education, Govt. of India and Professor, University of Delhi

Keynote Address: Prof. Shriprakash Singh, Director, South Campus & Professor, University of Delhi

Panelists: -

1. Prof. Rabi Narayan Kar, Member Secretary, Principal -Shyam Lal College (Day), University of Delhi
2. Prof. Girish Nath Jha, School of Sanskrit and Indic Studies, JNU
3. Prof. (Dr.) Ramesh C. Gaur, Director & Head - Kala Nidhi Division & Dean (Administration), IGNC A
4. Prof. K. P. Singh, Director, Gandhi Bhawan, University of Delhi

Rapporteur:

Sh. Rahul Pachori, Research Fellow (Linguistics), UNESCO Cell, Kala Nidhi Division, IGNC A

03.45 P.M. - 04.00 P.M.

Tea Break

04.00 P.M. - 05.30 P.M.

Valedictory Session

Welcome Address by Prof. R. G. Murali Krishna, Registrar I/c, Central Sanskrit University, New Delhi

Brief Summary Report by Symposium Chair: Prof. (Dr.) Ramesh C. Gaur, Director & Head - Kala Nidhi Division & Dean (Administration), IGNC

Address by Chief Patron - Symposium: Prof. Shrinivasa Varakhedi, Vice Chancellor, Central Sanskrit University, New Delhi

Address by Guest of Honour: Prof. Deepak Kumar Srivastava, Vice Chairman, University Grants Commission, Delhi

Address by Chief Guest: Shri Ram Bahadur Rai, President, IGNC Trust

Vote of Thanks by Symposium Convener: Dr. P. M. Gupta, University Librarian, Centre Sanskrit University, New Delhi

Rapporteur:

Sh. B. Gopal Singh, Research Fellow, UNESCO Cell, Kala Nidhi Division, IGNC

05.30 P.M. - 06.30 P.M.

Tour of IGNC

Symposium Chair: Prof. (Dr.) Ramesh C. Gaur, Director & Head - Kala Nidhi Division & Dean (Administration), IGNC

Symposium Convener: Dr. P. M. Gupta, University Librarian, Centre Sanskrit University, New Delhi

Rapporteur General: Dr. Shiva Kanaujia, Deputy Librarian, JNU

Assistant Rapporteur General: Sh. Naveen Dobriyal, Assistant Librarian, Central Sanskrit University, Shri Raghunath Kirti Campus, Devprayag, Uttarakhand