NATIONAL CONFERENCE
ON
RESEARCH TRENDS
IN
HIGHER EDUCATION CHALLENGES AND PROSPECTS

UNDER THE AEGIS
OF PROJECT XVII RUSA 2.0 PROGRAMME


UNIVERSITY OF RAJASTHAN, JAIPUR
The University of Rajasthan is a premier institution of higher education in Rajasthan, established as "Rajputana University" on 8th January, 1947. Having earned several laurels including University with Potential for Excellence and credited with 'A' grade by the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC), the University has a rich history of academic brilliance, nurtured over the years by the Professors of international repute. It is committed to weave a bright future for its students and provide them an academic environment. The University has one of the biggest library in India. For further details, visit http://www.uniraj.ac.in

## DEPARTMENT OF LIBRARY \& INFORMATION SCIENCE

The Department came into existence in 1960 on the recommendations of UGC Library Committee (1959). Credit for establishment of the Department goes to the then Vice Chancellor Dr. Mohan Sinha Mehta. Padma Shri Dr. Syed Bashiruddin was the first teacher in the department. Notable academicians like Mr. G.L. Shipston, Ms. S.M. Shola, Mr. A.P. Srivastava, Prof. S.N. Srivastava, Dr. C.D. Sharma and many more brought glory, growth and development of the department. It is one of the oldest Library Department in the country. The department offers B. Lib. \& Inf. Sc. ( 80 seats), M. Lib. \& Inf. Sc. (20 seats) and Ph.D. courses. Notable alumni of the department have worked in different prestigious institutions on various positions. Some of the alumni of the department are Dr. Jagdish Arora (Former Director, INFLIBNET), Dr. R. K. Chadda (Former Addl. Secretary, Parliament Library, India), Dr. Daulat Jotwani (Former Librarian, IIT Mumbai), Dr. Lokesh Sharma (Former Director General, Delhi Public Library) and many more. Following two RUSA 2.0 projects have been allotted to the department:
I. Perception of faculty members towards various publishing outlets: A study of Universities of Rajasthan.
2. Developing Public Libraries system as a social Hub: in the state of Rajasthan.

## RASHTRIYA UCHCHATAR SHIKSHA ABHIYAN (RUSA)

Rashtriya Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA) is a Centrally Sponsored Scheme (CSS), launched in 2013 aims at providing strategic funding to eligible state higher educational institutions. The funding to states would be made on the basis of critical appraisal of State Higher Education Plans, which would describe each state's strategy to address issues of equity, access and excellence in higher education. The key objectives of RUSA are to improve access, equity and quality in higher education through planned development of higher education at the state level. Objectives include creating new academic institutions, expanding and upgrading the existing ones, developing institutions that are self-reliant in terms of quality education, professionally managed, and characterized by greater inclination towards research and provide students with education that is relevant to them as well the nation as a whole.

Higher education in India is experiencing significant transformations and shaping the landscape of research and innovation. Research productivity and publishing behavior play a crucial role in the advancement of knowledge. Ethical considerations in higher education research are paramount.
We will delve into the ethical dimensions of research, exploring topics such as responsible conduct, integrity, and safeguarding the rights and well-being of research participants. Interdisciplinary research is gaining connotation in Library Science, as librarians collaborate with scholars from various disciplines to address complex research questions. We will explore the challenges and prospects of interdisciplinary approaches in library research, examining the potential for cross- pollination of ideas and the development of innovative library services too.
This conference serves as a platform for scholars, teachers, researchers, and stakeholders to foster meaningful discussions, exchange of ideas, and collaboration. To gain a comprehensive understanding of the issues surrounding research in higher education and engage in thoughtful discussions. Scholars are encouraged to present their original research papers in thematic sessions, which serve as the focal points of the conference.
We look forward to your active participation and the collective exploration of research trends shaping the future of higher education in India.

## MAJOR THEMES AND SUB-THEMES

## RESEARCH DEVELOPMENT

 PUBLISHING BEHAVIOUR AND RESEARCH PRODUCTIVITY- Perception and patterns of faculty/researcher towards publishing outlets
- Factors influencing researchers' choice of publishing outlets
- Collaboration and Multidisciplinary Publishing
- Impact factors and journal rankings: Faculty/researcher's perspectives
- Open access vs. traditional publishing: Preferences and perceptions
- Policies and support for open access publishing in universities
- Challenges faced by faculty members in publishing research
- Needed Reforms in Research- the role of ICT/AI
- Policy Formulation and its Implication in Higher Education


## QUALITY AND PRESTIGE OF PUBLISHING OUTLETS

- Role of Publishing Outlets in Academic Careers
- Publication strategies for early-career researchers
- Best practices for improving faculty members' publishing productivity
- Quality of Work Life of researcher/ faculty
- Vision for fostering a research culture in higher education institutions


## ETHICAL CONSIDERATIONS IN HIGHER EDUCATION

 RESEARCH- Ensuring research integrity and ethical practices
- Ethical challenges in human subjects' research
- Responsible conduct of research in higher education
- Integration of technology for Quality Research

OPPORTUNITIES AND CHALLENGES:
INTERDISCIPLINARY \&
INTERNATIONALIZATION
OF HIGHER EDUCATION RESEARCH

- Interdisciplinary Research in Higher Education
- International research partnerships
- Strategies for promoting international research mobility
- Funding and Resource Allocation in Higher Education Research
- Recent trends in Higher Education Research - Emerging Educational Technologies



## d) OPEN ACCESS PUBLISHING IN HIGHER EDUCATION RESEARCH

- Awareness and attitude towards open access publishing
- Open access publishing and its impact on research dissemination
- Open data and reproducibility in research
- Policy implications and challenges of open access in higher education


## PUBLISHING OUTLETS AND RESEARCH EVALUATION

- Metrics and indicators for evaluating research impact
- Research assessment frameworks and methodologies
- Perception of faculty members regarding the assessment of publishing outlets in research evaluations
- Balancing quantity and quality in research output assessment


## NEW PROSPECTS AND AVENUES IN HIGHER EDUCATION

- Transformation in role of library and information science professionals
- Achieving excellence in research- the role of UGC, RUSA
- Impact of Artificial Intelligence in Higher Education Research
- Research and Quality Concerns in higher education
- Understanding role of ICT and Elearning strategies in research and teaching
- Impact and challenges of NEP 2020 to higher education

Note: The provided themes are not intended to be comprehensive, but rather serve as starting points to inspire scholars interested in participating in the conference. We welcome a diverse range of contributions related to the broad theme, particularly those that foster interdisciplinary dialogue and transcend disciplinary boundaries.

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## PAPER SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Interested Participants are invited to submit an abstract of 250-300 words (Font type: Times New Roman, font size: 12 in English and Kruti Dev, font size 14 in Hindi) by $4{ }^{\text {th }}$ August, 2023. The abstract should have a title for presentation along with name, designation and institutional affiliation of the presenter. It should be mailed as an email attachment to ncrthe.rusal7@gmail.com. Complete paper should be limited to 3000 words and references in APA Style.

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The registration fee may be sent in favor of Organizing Secretary, NCRTHE UOR 2023 Jaipur payable at Jaipur or transferred electronically at below mentioned bank accounts details:
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- Filled in registration form should reach to the organizing secretary by $4^{\text {th }}$ August, 2023 on ncrthe.rusal7@gmail.com
- On both the conference days, lunch and high tea will be provided to the registered participants.
- No TA/DA and other allowance will be provided to the participant for attending conference.
- In case of presentation made by joint authors, each of them should get registered separately.
- Certificate will be provided to registered paper presenters and participants only.
Limited accommodation can be arranged on prior request with advance payment (only for registered participants) in nearby Guest house.

IMPORTANT DATES
Last date for submission of Abstract
$4^{\text {th }}$ August, 2023
Filled in Registration Form
$4^{\text {th }}$ August, 2023
Acceptance to be communicated
$5^{\text {th }}$ August, 2023
Last date Submission of full Paper
$7^{\text {th }}$ August, 2023

## Conference Dates

$10^{\text {th }}-11^{\text {th }}$ August, 2023

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CONFERENCE VENUE:
UGC HRDC Building, Gandhi Circle, University of Rajasthan, Jaipur (The conference is being hosted by Department of Library and Information Science, University of Rajasthan, Jaipur.)

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