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Uttar Pradesh Library Association

The Uttar Pradesh Library Association (U.P.L.A.), a registered society under the Societies Registration Act, 1960, was first established during the All India Library Conference held in Lucknow from April 19–22, 1935. Its first President was Dr. Wali Mohammed, and Mr. Fazal Illahi served as General Secretary. After becoming inactive due to limited library awareness, the Association was revived in 1948 under the leadership of Col. N. Rahman. It was revived again in 1956, in the presence of Chief Minister Dr. Sampurnanand, with Mr. C.G. Vishwanathan as President and Mr. K. Kumar as General Secretary. Since then, U.P.L.A. has actively worked to advance librarianship and library development across Uttar Pradesh. The association is working with its major objectives:

- To develop library movement within the State
- To improve the status and service conditions of library and information science professionals.
- To generate an appropriate public opinion for the Public Library law in the State
- To create reading habits amongst the general public in the State
- To coordinate with the Government and the Social organizations in the planning and execution of their policies towards mass education.
- To take all such actions as may be identical or conducive to the attainment of the objectives of the Association.

The Association adopted a federal structure in 1959 by amending its constitution to enable wider participation, establishing branches in major districts, including Lucknow, Allahabad, Varanasi, Kanpur, and others. It is governed by an elected Executive Committee, with more than 1950 life members.

In 1959, U.P.L.A. launched a Certificate Course in Library Science to train semi-professionals and school librarians. The course was later taken over by the U.P. Education Department in 1970. Currently, 13 Schools of Library Science operate under U.P.L.A., training around 550 students annually, and organizing refresher courses to strengthen professional skills.

CHIEF EDITOR'S NOTE



Dr. Maneesh Kumar Bajpai,
University Librarian, RMLNLU, &
Vice-President, U.P.L.A.

The U.P.L.A. Newsletter marks a significant revival of the Uttar Pradesh Library Association's publication initiative in collaboration with the Central Body, formerly known as the 'UPLA Newsletter', which was discontinued due to some unavoidable circumstances in 2000 after publishing its 19 volumes till 1999. It was first published by the Lucknow Branch in 1981. The newly elected team of the U.P.L.A. Lucknow Branch 2024 has undertaken the task of relaunching this publication in both digital and print formats, quarterly after a long gap of 25 years in 2025.

The discontinued years will be counted as gap years/gap volumes. The gap years and volumes will be counted from 2000 to 2024, and volumes 20 to 44. The 2025 volume will be observed in continuation with the last gap year volume no. 44. Therefore, the restart volume will have nomenclature as Vol. 45, Issue 01 (July-Sept) 2025.

The newsletter is envisioned as a dynamic platform to document and disseminate the achievements, initiatives, and professional activities of libraries and LIS professionals across Uttar Pradesh, while also reflecting developments at the national and international levels.

This effort aims to foster greater engagement within the LIS community and highlight the contributions of institutions and individuals toward the advancement of librarianship. The editorial team acknowledges the unwavering support and cooperation of the U.P.L.A. leadership and extends sincere gratitude to all stakeholders. Active participation from U.P.L.A. life members, professionals, and branches is vital for the sustained success of this initiative. Their continued support and contributions will play a crucial role in reinforcing the Association's stature and fulfilling its mission of promoting excellence in library and information services.

...Chief Editor



Bhoomi Poojan of U.P.L.A. Building



The permanent address of the U.P.L.A. was in demand from its inception. Keeping in mind the demand and requirements of the U.P.L.A. building, the executive decided in its meeting to purchase a small piece of land for the building. For this purpose, a Land Search Committee was constituted in 2025. The land search committee sought a small plot of land measuring 1000 sq ft near Abaul Kalam Technical University, Sitapur Road, Lucknow. The U.P.L.A. purchased the land on April 11, 2025.

For the construction of the building, a Building Construction Committee comprising Prof. M. P. Singh, Sh. Vinod Kumar Mishra, Dr. Maneesh Kumar Bajpai, Sh. Rabindra Maurya, Sh. Ramesh Chandra Gupta, and Sh. Sushil Kumar Tripathi was constituted. After finalizing the building layout with the architect, the foundation was laid by U.P.L.A. life members and office bearers, who performed Bhoomi Poojan on August 20, 2025. From the U.P.L.A. Lucknow Branch President, Sh Vinod Kumar Mishra, Secretary, Kunwar Abhishek Pratap, and EC Member, Ramesh Gupta, and from the then U.P.L.A. Central Body- General Secretary, Sh. Girish Chanda, Treasurer- Sh Himanshu Anchal and Life Member- Sh. Rajendra Shanker Mishra and Sh. Rabindra Maurya were present. The construction work is in progress, and it is hoped that by January 2026, it will be dedicated to the LIS Professionals fraternity.



U.P.L.A. Central Body Election-2025

The central body election of Uttar Pradesh Library Association (U.P.L.A.) was long overdue. In its meeting on July 20, 2025, the executive body announced Sh. Rajendra Shankar Mishra, Life Member, U.P.L.A., as the election officer to conduct the election. Then, the election officer announced the election schedule as follows:

A. For the President and General Secretary positions

1.	The sale of Nomination forms	August 01-17, 2025, by 03:00 PM
2.	The final date for submitting the duly filled nomination forms either by registered post or personally is	August 30, 2025, by 05:00 PM
3.	The date and time of scrutiny of nomination forms	August 31, 2025, by 03:00 PM
4.	The last date for withdrawal of names by the candidates	September 02, 2025, by 03:00 PM
5.	The date of dispatch of ballot papers by registered post by the Returning Officer.	September 08, 2025
6.	The last date for receiving the ballot papers by the Returning Officer either by registered post or in person through the voter	September 22, 2025, by 03:00 PM
7.	The date and time for opening the sealed envelopes containing the received ballot papers, along with the sealed envelopes. (At the time of opening the sealed envelopes, the presence of the candidates or their authorized representatives (with an authorization letter bearing signature duly attested) is desired.)	September 22, 2025, by 05:00 PM
8.	Counting of received ballot papers	September 27, 2025, At 02:00 PM



B. For Vice-Presidents (02), Members (03), Librarian (01) and Public Relation Officer (01) on September 28, 2025

1.	Date and venue of the election for the General Body Meeting	07:00 AM onwards
2.	The sale of Nomination forms	07:30 AM – 08:30 AM
3.	Time for submitting the duly filled nomination forms	08:30 AM – 09:00 AM
4.	Time of scrutiny of nomination forms	10:30 AM
5.	Time for withdrawal of candidatures by the candidates	11:00 AM
6.	Date for counting of votes for which polling has been conducted	12:30 PM – 01:20 PM
7.	Counting of received ballot papers	Counting will continue from 01:30 PM onwards.



Results of U.P.L.A. Central Body Election-2025

The result of the 'U.P.L.A. Central Body Election 2025' was announced at its General Body meeting dated September 28, 2025, by the election officer Sh. Rajendra Mishra Ji and awarded certificates to the elected office bearers as under in presence of the life members of U.P.L.A.:



1.	President	Prof. Mahendra Pratap Singh	Professor and Dean SIST, DLIS, Babasaheb Bhimrao Ambedkar University, Lucknow
2.	General Secretary	Sh. Vinod Kumar Mishra	Librarian, Government Polytechnic, Sitapur
3.	Vice-President-1	Dr Maneesh Kumar Bajpai	University Librarian, Dr Ram Manohar Lohiya National Law University, Lucknow
4.	Vice-President-2	Dr S. B. Kulshrestha	Former Librarian, MMH College, Ghaziabad
5.	Librarian	Dr. Pramod Yadav	Associate Professor-Library, Kulbhaskar Ashram Post Graduate College, Prayagraj
6.	Public Relation Officer	Sh. Kunwar Abhishek Pratap	Librarian, SR Institute of Management and Technology, Lucknow
7.	Member	Dr Vipin Pandey	Tagore Central Library, Harcourt Butler Technical University, Kanpur
8.	Member	Sh. Himanshu Kumar Anchal	Librarian
9.	Member	Sh. Sunil Kumar	Librarian, THS International School, Kursi Road, Lucknow



U.P.L.A. General Body Meeting-28.09.225

The General Body meeting of U.P.L.A., led by the president, Prof. Umesh Chandra Sharma, and the General Secretary, Sh. Girish Chandra, and the Vice President Sh. U. C. Rastogi was held on September 28, 2025, at Rameshwaran Institute of Technology and Management, Sitapur Road, Lucknow. After informing the achievements of the Association's 2013-2025 team, the charge of the central body team 2013-2025 was graciously handed over to the newly elected team of 2025. Sh. Girish Chandra and Prof. U. C. Sharma informed the life members about the major achievements, including the renewal of the association, the purchase of land for the U.P.L.A. building, and the audit of the bank accounts. Treasurer Sh. Himanshu Anchal put on record the income and expenditure of the U.P.L.A. accounts.

U.P.L.A.'s active life members, including Dr. Subhash Chandra Tyagi, Sh. Lal Ji Mishra, Dr. Vishnu Srivastava, Dr. Pravish Prakash, Dr. Pratima Sharma, Dr. R. D. Yadav, Dr. B. P. Srivastava, Sh. H. N. Mishra, Sh. Rajesh Gupta, Sh. Ehtisam, Dr. R.D. Yadav, Dr. K.P. Singh, Dr. Vijetacharya Malviya, Dr. Uma Pandey, and others attended the meeting. The award giving and felicitation ceremony were organized as follows:

U.P.L.A. AWARDS-2024

On the recommendation of the U.P.L.A. Awards Committee, the executive, at its meeting held on July 20, 2025, announced the U.P.L.A. Awards 2024 in various fields. The following awardees were felicitated with a certificate, a memento, and a swawl in the general body meeting on 28.09.2025 by Prof. U.C. Sharma, Sh. Girish Chandra and their team honored the awardees for their outstanding contributions to the LIS field.

LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS -2024

Shri Harish Chandra was the Librarian at Lajpat Rai Pustakalaya Evem Vachnalaya, Lucknow, for several decades. His public librarianship was user-centric. He was the role model of the public librarianship. Under his leadership, the library expanded, attracting a large number of students, professionals, and citizens to its services. He was a keen learner. He also contributed to leadership roles in professional bodies, such as the Uttar Pradesh Library Association. His dedication and motivation changed the lives of several LIS professionals.



Sh. Harish Chandra,
Former Librarian,
Lajpat Rai Pustkalaya Evem
Vachnalaya, Lucknow



Dr. Rakesh K. Srivastava,
Former Director,
Judges' Library,
Supreme Court of India,
New Delhi

Dr. R.K. Shrivastava was the Chief Librarian at the Supreme Court of India. He was one of the role models in law librarianship. Holding degrees in Law and Library & Information Science, including a Ph.D., he served as guest faculty, academic counsellor, and resource person at premier institutions. He had held leadership roles in professional bodies, including the Indian Library Association and U.P. Library Association. He was the voice of raising issues related to the LIS professionals. An awardee from the U.P. Government contributed 50+ papers and spoke at national and international platforms, including the IALL and Library of Congress. He also served as an Honorary Consultant at the Library of Congress.

SENIOR PROFESSIONAL AWARD-2024

Dr. Subhash Chandra Tyagi has over 35 years of experience as a Librarian at Lajpat Rai (P.G.) College, Sahibabad, and earlier served as Deputy Librarian at D.A.V. (P.G.) College, Bulandshahr. He has over 29 years of teaching experience and was Assistant Coordinator at IGNOU for 14 years. He has held key positions in U.P.L.A. and MUCLA, contributing to syllabus revisions, librarian training, and guest lectures. Known for leadership and academic contributions, he remains active in professional library development and policy advocacy.



Dr. Subhash Chandra Tyagi,
Former Librarian
Lajpat Rai (P.G.) College,
Sahibabad

BEST LIBRARIAN AWARD-2024



Sh. Ravindra Kumar,
Assistant Librarian, Retired,
IIM, Lucknow

Sh. Ravindra Kumar (M.Lib.Sc., B.Lib.Sc., M.A. Social Work) served as Assistant Librarian at IIM Lucknow (2008–2024), with over three decades of academic and professional experience. He has held teaching & library positions at institutions including Isabella Thoburn College and Lucknow University. An expert in library automation and ICT, he is proficient in Libsys, CDS/ISIS, and digital library systems. He has presented papers at national and international conferences, authored research publications, and participated in numerous seminars and workshops. A life member of the ILA, IASLIC, and U.P.L.A., he has contributed to the editorial boards, organizing committees, and academic boards of reputed institutions.

U.P.L.A. PROMOTER AWARD-2024

Dr. Pramod Yadav (Ph.D., M.L.I.Sc., M.Sc. Biotech, DCA) is an Associate Professor in Library and Information Science at Kulbhaskar Ashram PG College, Prayagraj. With over 20 years of experience, he previously served at Raja Harpal Singh PG College, Jaunpur. He holds a Ph.D. from Dr. B.R. Ambedkar University, Agra, and has received awards like the Young Scientist Award (2021) and Best Teacher Award (2023). A prolific writer with 25+ publications, his interests include library ethics, ICT, and knowledge management. Dr. Yadav is also an editor, peer reviewer, and life member of several professional associations like ILA, IASLIC, and U.P.L.A.



Dr. Pramod Yadav,
Associate Professor,
Library and Information
Science, Kulbhaskar Ashram
PG College, Prayagraj

BEST GOVERNMENT LIBRARIAN AWARD-2024



Sh. Rakesh Soti,
Former Librarian,
Govt. Degree College

Sh. Rakesh Soti Ji served for over three decades in the college library. He was a very active member of Uttar Pradesh Library Association, ILA, IASLIC, and other prominent LIS bodies. He was a keen researcher and academician. He participated in and organized several conferences and workshops. He was engaged in various softskills programmes too.

YOUNG RESEARCHER AWARD-2024

Mr. Akhil Sharma holds B.Com., B.Lib.I.Sc., and M.Lib.I.Sc. degrees, along with postgraduate diplomas in Digital Library & Data Management and Computer Applications. He qualified UGC-NET in 2023. He has also completed a certificate course in Care and Conservation of Books and Manuscripts. Formerly at ICWA, New Delhi (2019-2021), he is currently pursuing a Ph.D. under the guidance of Prof. U.C. Sharma. He has published 6 research papers, 14 book chapters, edited 2 books, and presented them at international conferences. His interests include QR codes, AI, cloud computing, green libraries, and big data. He is an active member of ILA and U.P.L.A.



Mr. Akhil Sharma,
Assistant Professor (Guest),
DLIS, Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar
University, Agra



Dr. Ram Kumar Sharma,
Department of Library &
Information Science,
BSA (PG) College, Mathura

Dr. Ram Kumar Sharma has over 12 years of professional experience in reputed institutions. He has a Ph.D. in Library and Information Science from Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar University, Agra. He received the Best Research Paper Presentation Award (2013) by SPL and contributed to the 'Pothi Nidhi' Conservation Workshop (2020). He has co-edited a book, authored one (in press), and presented/published papers nationally and internationally. His areas of interest include religious libraries, national knowledge systems, ICT, and e-resources. He actively participates in seminars and workshops and is a life member of ILA, IASLIC, U.P.L.A., and SPL.

FELICITATIONS-2024

SH. RAJENDRA SHANKAR MISHRA

The U.P.L.A. felicitated Sh. Rajendra Shankar Mishra ji for his outstanding contribution to the association and the LIS field. He is a retired librarian from the Government Polytechnic, Barabanki. He, as an election officer to the U.P.L.A. central body election 2025, has done a wonderful job. He conducted the election in a very transparent and professional manner. His expertise made it a successful election.



SH. LAL JI MISHRA



The U.P.L.A. also felicitated Sh. Lal Ji Mishra ji for his outstanding contribution to the association and the LIS field. He is a retired from the Central Library, Allahabad Degree College, Prayagraj (Constituent College of Allahabad University, Prayagraj). He is currently working as Treasurer, U.P.L.A., Prayagraj Branch and Principal, C-Lib Training Centre, Prayagraj

Dr. Subhash C. Tyagi suggested that a brief introduction of all the attending life members be done. Almost all members followed suit and interacted with one another. Dr. Santosh Srivastava and others discussed some issues related to LIS professionals. All the contestants for the 07 posts gave their details and vision for the U.P.L.A. After the election process, the results were announced. All congratulated to each other.

Prof. U.C. Sharma and his team (2013-2015) thanked each one of the LIS professionals for their constant support and cooperation. The newly elected team, after receiving certificates and taking the oath, thanked the election officer for conducting a fair and smooth election. The new team also acknowledged the efforts of the 2013-2025 team of Prof. U. C. Sharma, President; Sh. Girish Chandra, General Secretary, and Dr. Umesh Chandra Rastogi, Vice President, for their tireless work and dedication to U.P.L.A. They are also felicitated with a memento and a shawl.

The newly elected team comprising Prof. M. P. Singh, Sh. Vinod K Mishra, Dr Maneesh K Bajpai, Dr S.B. Kulshreshtha, Dr. Vipin Pandey, Dr Pramod Yadav, Sh. Himanshu Anchal, Sh. Kunwar Abhishek Pratap, and Sh. Sunil Kumar thanked everyone for their support and cooperation. They also promised to work harder to revive the association and recapture its past splendor.

At the concluding remarks, Sh. Vinod Kumar Mishra, General Secretary, U.P.L.A. 2025, expressed his deep gratitude to Dr. S. P. Shukla, Chairman, Rameshwaram Institute of Technology and Management, Sitapur Road, Lucknow, for his unconditional support in organizing the event at the institute. He also expressed gratitude to the institute's staff for their kind support and cooperation.



Dr. S. P. Shukla,
Chairman,
Rameshwaram Institute of
Technology and Management,
Sitapur Road, Lucknow,



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NATIONAL LIBRARIANS' DAY

Uttar Pradesh Library Association (U.P.L.A.), Lucknow Branch, organized 'National Librarian's Day' in honor of the 133rd Birth Anniversary of Padam Shree Prof. (Dr.) S. R. Ranganathan on August 13, 2025, at Government Polytechnic, Faizabad Road, Lucknow. Sh. Vinod Mishra, President, welcomed the chief guest, Sh. S. N. Singh, Principal, Government Polytechnic, Lucknow. Vinod ji delivered the opening remarks about the programme. He spoke and provided insights into Ranganathan's Five Laws of Library Science. The chief guest spoke about the importance of libraries and the crucial role librarians play. He emphasized the importance of libraries in facilitating education and research. The Keynote speaker, Dr. Pravish Prakash HOD, DLIS, Lucknow University, enlightened the gathering with a life sketch of Dr Ranganathan. Kunwar Abhishek Pratap, Secretary, delivered the vote of thanks. A large number of library professionals, including Sh. Manoj Mishra, RMLIMS; Sh. Rajendra Shanker Mishra; Sh. Prem Kumar; Md. Ehtisam, Dr. R. D. Yadav, and other participants, including students, attended the event to celebrate the National Librarian's Day 2025.



Public Libraries of Kanpur



GOVERNMENT DISTRICT LIBRARY

The Government District Library in Kanpur was established in 1957–58. It houses a collection of 63,000 books. It subscribes 04 newspapers and 04 magazines for readers' use. Additionally, the library has 11,236 e-books available to its members.

**Lal Imli Crossing,
Colonelganj, Kanpur Nagar**
Timings: 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM
(Closed on Sundays)

Contact: Mr. Prashant Kumar Dwivedi
Mobile: 8217747420;
Email: gov.lib.kanpur@gmail.com



ASHOK LIBRARY

The Ashok Library was founded in 1934 in memory of Lokmanya Bal Gangadhar Tilak. The foundation stone of Tilak Hall on Meston Road was laid by Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru, and it was inaugurated by Mahatma Gandhi. After its establishment, the library began collecting inspirational writings of India's freedom leaders. It currently holds 8,000 books, including 400 books that are 175 years old. The library now operates under the auspices of the Tilak Memorial Society. A khadi cap of Chandrashekhar Azad is also preserved here.



**38/164, Meston Road, Moolganj,
Kanpur Nagar**
Timings: 11:00 AM – 7:00 PM
Contact: Ms. Vandana Dwivedi
Mobile: 9935563221



MARWARI LIBRARY

The Marwari Library was established in 1918 on the occasion of Basant Panchami. Initially, freedom fighter Sh. Ram Chandra Jhunjhunwala allotted a separate room for the library in his residence at General Ganj, Kanpur. Due to the growing number of readers, the foundation for a new building was laid in 1939, and by 1942, the library had been relocated to a 400 sq. yard building on Birhana Road.



**Birhana Road, Naughada,
Kanpur Nagar**

**Timings: 10:30 AM – 5:30 PM
(Closed on Mondays)**

Contact: Mr. Sarvesh Tripathi

Mobile: 8217747420

Email: sarvesh18888@gmail.com



The library holds an immense collection of ancient books. In 1986, a magazine titled “Pustakalaya Vaibhav” was published, listing details of all the old books. The library currently has 36,000 books. It is regularly visited by students and researchers preparing for competitive examinations. On average, about 2,500 readers visit the library each month. Membership costs ₹100 per month. Members can study between 10:30 AM and 5:30 PM. Managed under the supervision of Raghavpat Singhania of the Singhania family, the library provides facilities such as lighting, water, washrooms, furniture, and cupboards.



DR. IQBAL LIBRARY

It was founded in 1938 by Advocate Mustafa Hussain Nayyar. The Dr. Iqbal Library was shifted to its current location at Bansmandi (Latouche Road) in 1962. It houses 20,000 books in Urdu, English, and Hindi. The membership fee is ₹200 per month, and about 15–20 readers visit daily.

Email: amrinleathertex@gmail.com



Bansmandi Road, Kasimganj,

Kanpur Nagar

Timings: 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Contact: Mr. Javed Nayyar

Mobile: 9839067903



RAMAKRISHNA LIBRARY, KANPUR

Located in Ramakrishna Nagar, the foundation stone of this library was laid in 1965 by Swami Madhavananda Ji, the 9th President of Ramakrishna Math and Mission. The building was inaugurated in 1967 by Shri Chandrabhanu Gupta, the then Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh. After renovation, the library was reinaugurated online in 2020 by Swami Gautamananda Ji, Vice President of Ramakrishna Math and Mission.

**Swami Vivekananda Marg,
Ramakrishna Nagar, Kanpur**

Nagar

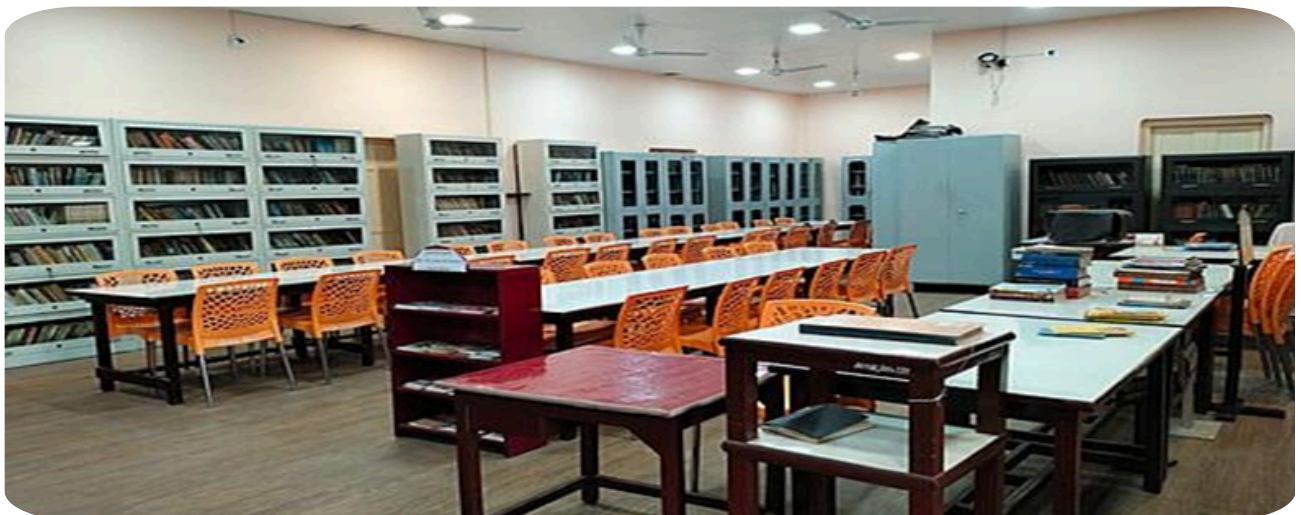
Timings: 8:30 AM – 7:30 PM

(Closed on Mondays)

Contact: Mr. Ajay Brahmachari

Mobile: 9151615955

Email: Kanpur@rkmm.org



GAYA PRASAD LIBRARY



The Shri Gaya Prasad Library and Reading Room in Kanpur was established in 1922. It holds a collection of 50,000 books. It is one of the oldest public libraries of Kanpur.

38/101, Meston Road, Kanpur Nagar

Timings: 8:30 AM – 7:30 PM

(Closed on Mondays)

Contact: Ms. Pramila Agnihotri

Mobile: 9369375689



PARSHAD LIBRARY



The Parshad Library was established in 1960 and houses 60,000 books. It is managed under the supervision of the Kanpur Development Authority (KDA) and is currently moving toward digital transformation.

King Edward Street, Phool Bagh,

Civil Lines, Kanpur Nagar – 208001

Timings: 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM

(Closed on Mondays)

Contact: Mr. Pradeep Kumar Savita



DR. RAJENDRA PRASAD LIBRARY



This library was founded on December 03, 1963, in memory of Dr. Rajendra Prasad, the first President of India. A committee of volunteer members manages the library. It operates from 5:00 PM to 9:00 PM, and remains closed every Thursday. The collection includes 45,000 books.

**New Vegetable Market, Lal Bangla
(beside Kali Bari Temple), Kanpur**

Timings: 5:30 PM – 9:00 PM

Contact: Mr. Paras Nath Jha

Mobile: 9651594955



SHRI NAGAR JI LIBRARY AND READING ROOM



Shri Nagar Ji Library Evam Vachanalaya was established by Shri Nagar Ji Navyuvak Sanstha (Registered) in 1956. It is part of the homeopathic Chikitsalaya of Sansatha.

10/45, Krishna Nagar, Kanpur

Timings: 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Contact: Mr. Rakesh Ji

Mobile: 9235471542



FORTHCOMING EVENTS IN LIS



International Conference on Reimagining Libraries in the Age of Artificial Intelligence

Date: November 06-07, 2025

Organized by: Mizoram University, Mizoram; Venue: Mizoram University, Mizoram

URL: <https://mzu.edu.in/>

National Conference on Legacy to Legendary: Digital Rebuilding of the Foundations for future Librarians (LDRF- 2025)

Date: November 07-08, 2025

Venue & Organized by: Central University of Tamil Nadu, Thiruvarur

URL: <https://dliscutnnews.blogspot.com/>

10th International Conference on Library and Information Science (ICLIS-2025)

Date: November 07-08, 2025

Organized by: Tokyo, Japan; Venue: Tokyo, Japan; URL: <https://www.iclis.igrnet.org/577/japan/>

3rd International Conference of Library & Technology on Artificial Intelligence and Humanities in Library and Education 4.0

Date: November 07-08, 2025

Venue & Organized by: Uttranchal Institute of Technology, Dehradun

URL: <https://aihle.uudoon.in/>

14th International CALIBER 2025 - Library 2047: Democratizing Knowledge Towards Viksit Bharat

Date: November 17-19, 2025

Organized by: INFLIBNET, Gandhinagar, in Association with Sri Venkateswara University, Tirupati;

Venue: Sri Venkateswara University, Tirupati; URL: <https://caliber.inflibnet.ac.in/>

28th National Convention on Knowledge, Library and Information Networking (NACLIN)

Date: December 3-5, 2025

Organized by: DELNET, New Delhi; Venue: Hotel Lemon Tree Premier, Pune

URL: <https://delnetnaclin.in/2025/>

13th International Library Information Professionals Summit (I-LIPS) on “International Conference on Emerging Technologies for Smart Libraries: AI, IoT & Empowerment”

Date: December 12-14, 2025

Organized by: JECRC Foundation, Jaipur; Venue: JECRC Foundation, Jaipur

URL: <https://jecrcconference.in/ILIPS2025/>

Research Communication Conclave: Bringing research into action

Date: December 17-19, 2025

Organized by: Ashoka University, Sonipat; Venue: Ashoka University, Sonipat

URL: <https://www.rescomm2025.com/>

International Conference on Knowledge Organization in Academic Libraries (I-KOAL 2026)

Date: January 30-31, 2026

Venue & Organized by: Rajiv Gandhi University, Arunachal Pradesh; URL: www.ipaindia.org,

International Conference on Transforming Library Services in the AI Era: Library Services, User Engagement and Community Impact

Date: February 05-07, 2026

Venue & Organized by: Kendriya Hindi Sansthan, Agra & ILA

URL: <https://hindisansthan.in/>



FROM THE WALL OF 'AI AND LIBRARIES' CHAT GROUP AT ARATTAI BY SH. SUKHDEV SINGH

https://aratt.ai/@ai_and_libraries



Sukhdev Singh,
Former Deputy Director
General, NIC, GoI

When Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla spoke at the 68th Commonwealth Parliamentary Association Conference this week, his message was both timely and deeply reflective. He didn't speak of Artificial Intelligence as some distant technology—it was about how AI is already reshaping India's own Parliament, quietly transforming how information is managed, translated, and shared. He spoke of e-libraries powered by AI, translation systems that will soon allow Members of Parliament to speak in their native languages through Sansad Bhashini, and speech-to-text systems that make debates more transparent and accessible to the public. Errors, biases, or even misinterpretations if not carefully guided. Yet, his tone suggested faith—that with clear intent and ethical direction, AI could strengthen transparency and make Parliament more connected with the people.

It felt like a strong acknowledgment that AI has become part of the democratic process itself. But Birla's emphasis was not just on using AI—it was on using it ethically. He urged Commonwealth nations to ensure AI serves democracy, not the other way around. By highlighting e-libraries and translation tools, he seemed to remind us that information accessibility and inclusivity are the real tests of technology in governance.

What struck me most was his calm conviction that technology must always uphold values—trust, fairness, accountability. It wasn't about hype or fear; it was about responsibility. He seemed aware that tools like real-time translation or AI-assisted reporting could bring errors, biases, or even misinterpretations if not carefully guided. Yet, his tone suggested faith—that with clear intent and ethical direction, AI could strengthen transparency and make Parliament more connected with the people.

To me, this moment signals maturity in India's AI discourse. When leaders start framing AI as an instrument of inclusion and democracy, rather than a showcase of innovation alone, we're moving in the right direction. However, the path ahead depends on how these ideals are translated into real practice—accurate systems, robust privacy safeguards, and trained staff who trust and understand what they use. If that happens, perhaps one day, India's parliamentary e-library might not just be a digital archive—but a living, intelligent system reflecting the voices of a billion citizens, equally heard.

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उपला के पुस्तकालय संघ भवन का भूमि पूजन पुस्तकालय संघ का भूमि पूजन, जल्द ही मिलेगा अपना भवन



लखनऊ। उत्तर प्रदेश पुस्तकालय संघ की लखनऊ शाखा ने बुधवार को 'पुस्तकालय संघ भवन' के निर्माण हेतु शुभ मुहूर्त अनुसार अपराह्न 12 से 2 बजे के मध्य पुस्तकालय संघ की भूमि ग्राम मिर्जापुर (निकट एकेटीयू) पर भूमि पूजन समिति, संघ और शाखा पदाधिकारियों और अन्य गणमान्य सदस्यों की उपस्थिति में सम्पन्न हुआ।

भूमि पूजन में मुख्य यजमान की भूमिका राजेन्द्र शंकर मिश्र ने निभाया। महामंत्री गिरीश चन्द्र, शिक्षाधिकारी/अध्यक्ष लखनऊ शाखा विनोद कुमार मिश्र, कोषाध्यक्ष हिमांशु कुमार अंचल, रविन्द्र कुमार मौर्य, रमेश चन्द्र गुप्ता, मंत्री लखनऊ शाखा कुँवर अभिषेक प्रताप की उपस्थिति में पूर्ण विधि-विधान से पूजा-अर्चना कर पुरोहित डॉ. अंशुमान पाण्डेय ने कार्यक्रम सम्पन्न कराया। भवन निर्माण समिति के अनुसार शीघ्र ही भवन का निर्माण कार्य प्रारंभ कर प्राथमिकता के आधार पर पूरा कराया जाएगा और इसमें एक सार्वजनिक पुस्तकालय की स्थापना भी की जाएगी और अन्य शैक्षिक क्रियाकलाप भी प्रारंभ किए जाएंगे।

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सारसुर्खियां

पुस्तकालय संघ ने मनाया रंगनाथन जयंती समारोह

लखनऊ। उत्तर प्रदेश पुस्तकालय संघ, लखनऊ शाखा की ओर से राजकीय पॉलीटेक्निक, अयोध्या रोड, लखनऊ के सभागार में भारतीय पुस्तकालय एवं सूचना विज्ञान के जनक पद्मश्री डॉ. एस आर रंगनाथन जी 133वीं जयंती 'राष्ट्रीय पुस्तकालयाध्यक्ष दिवस' के रूप में हर्षोल्लास के साथ मनायी गयी। कार्यक्रम में मुख्य अतिथि एस एन सिंह, प्रधानाचार्य, राजकीय पॉलीटेक्निक लखनऊ और मुख्य वक्ता डॉ. प्रवीश प्रकाश, एसोसिएट प्रोफेसर, पुस्तकालय विज्ञान विभाग, लखनऊ रहे। कार्यक्रम का उद्घाटन दीप प्रज्वलन एवं रंगनाथन जी के चित्र पर पुष्पाञ्जलि से प्रारंभ हुआ। मुख्य अतिथि एस एन सिंह ने अपने सम्बोधन में कहा कि पुस्तकालय की उपादेयता कभी समाप्त नहीं हो सकती। लाइब्रेरियन को अपने पाठकों हेतु उत्तम वातावरण बनाने की आवश्यकता होती है जिससे पाठकों की पुस्तकालय में रुचि बढ़े। पुस्तकालय में नवीनतम पुस्तकों का समावेश होते रहना चाहिए, इसके लिए स्पष्ट नीति होनी चाहिए। मुख्य वक्ता डॉ. प्रवीश प्रकाश ने कहा कि पुस्तकालय विज्ञान से जुड़े सभी लोगों को रंगनाथन जी के जीवन दर्शन से प्रेरणा लेनी चाहिए। लाइब्रेरियन को आधुनिकतम तकनीकी को आत्मसाथ कर अपने पाठकों को नवीनतम सूचनाएँ उपलब्ध करने की दृढ़ इच्छाशक्ति होनी चाहिए। जिससे समाज में उनकी अलग पहचान बन सके। पुस्तकालयों में शैक्षिक विमर्श एवं परिचर्चा का आयोजन निरन्तर होना चाहिए। कार्यक्रम का संचालन सेक्रेटरी कुँवर अभिषेक प्रताप ने किया और अध्यक्ष विनोद कुमार मिश्र ने आए हुए समस्त अतिथियों को धन्यवाद देकर आभार व्यक्त किया।



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लखनऊ। उत्तर प्रदेश पुस्तकालय संघ (यूपीएलए) की आम सभा बैठक रामेश्वरम इंस्टीट्यूट ऑफ टेक्नोलॉजी एंड मैनेजमेंट, सीतापुर रोड, लखनऊ में सम्पन्न हुयी। बैठक में निवर्तमान अध्यक्ष प्रो. यू सी शर्मा एवं निवर्तमान महामंत्री गिरीश चन्द्र ने रिपोर्ट प्रस्तुत किया। उत्तर प्रदेश पुस्तकालय संघ केन्द्रीय कार्यकारिणी चुनाव में अध्यक्ष एवं महामंत्री पद हेतु पॉस्टल वोट द्वारा चुनाव हुआ। जिसमें प्रो. एमपी सिंह अध्यक्ष एवं विनोद कुमार मिश्र महामंत्री भारी मती से विजयी घोषित हुए। आम सभा बैठक में कार्यकारिणी के 7 पदों का चुनाव भी संघ के आजीवन सदस्यों द्वारा चुनाव किया गया, जिसमें उपाध्यक्ष पद पर डॉ. मनीष कुमार बाजपेयी और डॉ. एस बी कुलश्रेष्ठ, जनसम्पर्क अधिकारी पद पर कुँवर अभिषेक प्रताप

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(निर्विरोध), लाइब्रेरियन पद पर डॉ. प्रमोद कुमार यादव, सदस्य के तीन पदों पर क्रमशः डॉ. विपिन पाण्डेय, हिमांशु कुमार अंचल और सुनील कुमार विजयी घोषित हुए। यूपीएलए द्वारा पुस्तकालय विज्ञान के क्षेत्र में असाधारण योगदान के लिए 7 आजीवन सदस्यों को अंगवस्त्र एवं प्रमाणपत्र द्वारा सम्मानित भी किया गया। कार्यक्रम में लखनऊ सर्किट पूरे प्रदेश से सैकड़ों की संख्या में सदस्य प्रतिभाग किए। इस अवसर पर निवर्तमान अध्यक्ष, महामंत्री और चुनाव अधिकारी राजेन्द्र शंकर मिश्र को भी सम्मानित किया गया। धन्यवाद ज्ञापन उपाध्यक्ष डॉ. मनीष बाजपेयी द्वारा किया गया।

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May the Festival of Lights illuminate your lives with joy, prosperity, and wisdom. Let this Diwali inspire us to spread the light of knowledge, strengthen our professional fraternity, and reaffirm our commitment to promoting library development and information access across the state.

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