NACLIN 2023 : A Report

NACLIN 2023 Inauguration

The 26th National Convention on Knowledge, Library and Information Networking–NACLIN 2023 on the theme *"Reinventing and Revitalising Libraries: From Striving to Thriving"* was organised by DELNET, New Delhi in collaboration with Goa University, Goa from November 22-24, 2023 at the Goa University, Goa. Nearly 250 delegates from different parts of India including Library experts, Librarians, LIS Professionals, Exhibitors and Product Demonstrators actively participated in the Conference.

The Inaugural function began with an invocation of Saraswati Vandana. It was followed by the lighting of the lamp marking the inauguration of NACLIN 2023 by Prof. Harilal B. Menon, Vice-Chancellor, Goa University, Goa; Shri K. Jayakumar, President, DELNET (former Chief Secretary, Kerala and Joint Secretary, Ministry of Culture, Government of India). Dr. Sangeeta Kaul, Director, DELNET and Organising Secretary, NACLIN 2023 and Dr. Sandesh B. Dessai, University Librarian, Goa University, Goa and Co-Organising Secretary, NACLIN 2023 delivered the welcome address.

Dr. Sangeeta Kaul read the gracious and inspiring message sent by the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India Shri Narendra Modi for NACLIN 2023 delegates which is placed below. DELNET expresses its sincere gratitude to His Excellency for his blessings and wishes.

"It is most heartening to note about the 26th National Convention on Knowledge, Library and Information Networking (NACLIN 2023) being organised jointly by Developing Library Network (DELNET) and the University of Goa. Heartiest congratulations and best wishes to every delegate for being present on the occasion. The theme of the Convention, "Reinventing and Revitalising Libraries: From Striving to Thriving" is timely and commendable. The optimism in the theme clearly shows an attitude of working on solutions than merely dwelling upon challenges.

Knowledge and wisdom are the driving force of societies and nations. Reading broadens our horizons of thinking, enhances knowledge and expression and nurtures imagination.

DELNET has been doing laudable work in expanding the network of libraries and sharing knowledge for over three decades. Such efforts have strengthened the collective resolve to build an inclusive knowledge society and meet the growing demands on our information landscape.

May the deliberations at the Convention help to expand knowledge through the interconnected network of libraries. I am confident that this Convention will help nurture reading into a people-led movement and contribute towards making India a global knowledge hub.

Release of NACLIN 2023 Publications

The participation of experts, as well as library and information science professionals will certainly lead to interactive discussions, sharing experiences and new learnings. The Kartavya Kaal till the year 2047 is a period to fulfil our vision of building a strong, inclusive and developed nation, reinforcing its position as a thought leader in the domains of wisdom and intellect.

Best wishes for successful deliberations at the NACLIN 2023.

I am sure the Souvenir being brought out to mark the occasion will embody the true essence and spirit of the occasion, leaving behind a lasting impression on its readers."

Dr. Sangeeta Kaul paid tributes to the great visionary the late Dr. H. K. Kaul, Founder Director, DELNET for his extraordinary vision, unparalleled leadership and incessant zeal to transform the libraries and empower the LIS professionals which has resulted in institutionalising NACLIN by DELNET. NACLIN 2023 pre-conference publication containing 31 papers and NACLIN souvenir were released by Prof. Harilal B. Menon and Shri K. Jayakumar respectively. It was followed by the Inaugural address which was delivered by Prof. Menon. He proudly informed the delegates that NEP 2020 has been fully implemented in Goa University at all levels. He further opined that the library has an immensely significant role to play in academics and research. He further said that the library should be dynamic, not static and facilitate easy access to resources, augmenting the knowledge base of the researchers and scholars. He further expressed that the librarian is a teacher of teachers. Prof. Menon further affirmed that updating the resources is very important and that developing a dynamic ecosystem for resources is needed. He felt that the emerging technologies including AI, Robotics, IoT (Internet of Things) and Drones are the four inventions which have transformed the world of knowledge. He said that AI based algorithms are replacing human workforce and that we have to walk in tandem with the speedily evolving technology. Prof. Menon said that Librarians are the information carriers. He further said that we need to develop libraries for differently abled population and make it inclusive in scope and coverage. He said we have to work towards making the world differently-abled friendly and he wished all a very successful conference which would help in implementing better methods of knowledge dissemination. Dr. Sangeeta Kaul informed the Chief Guest that DELNET is in the process of developing a global information portal for people with special needs. It was followed by the Presidential Address by Shri K. Jayakumar, President, DELNET. He

Prof. Harilal B. Menon, Vice-Chancellor, Goa University, Goa

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It was followed by the Inauguration of NACLIN 2023 Exhibition wherein a number of leading companies exhibited their products and services. It included Balani Group, Tracxn Technologies Limited, Daphne Systems Private Limited, Spacious Book House, ACCUCOMS, eGalactic, Pune and Coherent Digital USA.

The first tutorial on "Developing Toolkit for Cyber Security Management and Preparedness" was held wherein a video tutorial by Major Vineet Kumar, Founder and Global President, Cyber Peace Foundation, Ranchi was highlighted. It was followed with an elaborate explanation and discussions in-person by Mr. Parasar Sikdar of CPF. It was followed by product demonstrations by Balani Group (presentations by officials including Mr. Arjun B. J., Head Product & Sales Strategy; Mr. Raghavendra of DrillBit and Mr. Sateesh Hegde of LANQUILL); Tracxn Technologies Limited by Mr. Harish Kalgundi, Senior AVP, University Partnerships and by eGalactic, Pune on eAarjav represented by Mr. Prakash Sarda, Co-Founder. The second tutorial on "Content Management System - WordPress" was conducted by Mr.

welcomed everyone to the great assembly of information professionals and said that it is heartening that experts from libraries have put in so much intellectual energy. He said that DELNET plays a pivotal role in offering two major services, i.e. Library Networking and also to act as a catalyst and facilitator for intellectual exchange by organising numerous programmes, conferences, Webinars, etc. Shri K. Jayakumar paid his humble tributes to Dr. H. K. Kaul for his benevolence, his quiet unimposing presence and said that he was prophetic, a great visionary. He mentioned that life is changing at an unprecedented pace, unless one adapts to this tidal force, this ubiquitous change, one will be washed away. He said that change is permanent and everything has changed drastically. He said that resilience and sharing have been the catch words at DELNET. He further said that cooperative competition/ collaborative competition should be the way of the world now. As librarians, we need to be aware of how the world is changing in terms of the role of a Librarian which is to work as a Meta-teacher to be globally aware. He

further felt that with the changing times the syllabus of the Departments of Library and Information Sciences need to adapt with the changing requirements. Shri K. Jayakumar said that DELNET will be happy to equip the professionals in coping with this ever-evolving world and will be our support system in staying relevant. The inaugural function ended with the Vote of Thanks by Dr. Sangeeta Kaul.

Dr. Sandesh B. Dessai, University Librarian, Goa University, Goa

A glimpse of the cultural evening

Venkatesh P. Prabhu, Senior Consultant, ThyWay Creations, Goa.

A cultural evening supported by the Directorate of Art and Culture, Government of Goa, Goa was held at the Auditorium, showcasing the rich cultural diversity of the beautiful state of Goa and it elevated the mood of the delegates. It was followed by a networking dinner and a musical evening at the International Centre Goa which was enjoyed by everyone.

On the second day of NACLIN 2023, the first Technical Session was devoted to "Emerging 3Ts: Tools, Technologies and Trends". The session was chaired by Dr. M. Krishnamurthy, Associate Professor, DRTC, Indian Statistical Institute, Bangalore, Karnataka. The first paper entitled "Digital Humanities: An Overall Perspective" written by Dr. M. Krishnamurthy, Associate Professor, DRTC, Indian Statistical Institute, Bangalore, Karnataka and Ms. Sneha Bharti, Senior Research Fellow, DRTC,

Indian Statistical Institute, Bangalore, Karnataka was presented. The second paper entitled "ANUVADINI: AICTE Artificial Intelligence Application for Indian Languages" was delivered by Mr. A. Muthuraj, Assistant Librarian, Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham, Amravati Campus, Mangalagiri, Andhra Pradesh and Dr. M. Kumaran, Assistant Librarian, Tamil Nadu National Law University, Tiruchirappalli, Tamil Nadu. The third paper entitled "Google Lens: A Technology to Enhance the Information Seeking Process" was presented by Ms. Anju Pai Bhale, Librarian, Goa College of Music, Altinho, Goa. The paper entitled "Study on Awareness, Usage and Operational Aspect of DISHTAVO-Online Learning Platform Among Prospective Teachers of Goa" was presented by Mr. Sunil Gauns, Librarian Grade I (Research Scholar), GVM's Dr. Dada Vaidya College of Education, Farmagudi, Ponda, Goa co-authored with Ms. Pratiksha Kudalkar, Teacher Grade I, DM's PVS SM Kushe Higher Secondary School, Assagao, Goa and

Mr. Diptej D. S. Vernekar, Assistant Professor, GVM's Dr. Dada Vaidya College of Education, Farmagudi, Ponda, Goa. The other paper entitled "Perception of Research Data Management (RDM) by LIS Professionals in College Libraries of Goa in Pursuit of Academic Research: A Study" was delivered by Mrs. Shambhavi Nikhil Joshi, Assistant Librarian co-authored with Dr. Sandesh B. Dessai, University Librarian, Goa University, Taleigao, Goa and Mr. Nikhil Arvind Joshi, Librarian, V.S. Laad Higher Secondary School, Piliem, Goa. The paper entitled "Conducting Effective Research Using SciSpace: A Practical Approach" was presented by Mr. Sanmati Jinendran Jain, Junior Library Information Superintendent, Central Library co-authored with Mr. Kush Sibbu, Library Officer, Central Library, Indian Institute of Technology Goa, Ponda, Goa and Dr. Ramesh Kuri, Assistant Professor, Department of Library and Information Science, Rani Channamma University, Vidyasangama, Belagavi,

Dr. K. Rama Patnaik, Librarian, Indian Institute of Management, Bangalore

Karnataka. The paper entitled "Remote Access Service and Challenges for its Implementation with Special Reference to MIT Central Library, Manipal" was presented by Ms. Pooja, Assistant Librarian, MIT Central Library, Manipal Academy of Higher Education, Manipal, Karnataka and Dr. Rekha D. Pai, Associate Professor, Department of Library and Information Sciences, Chief Librarian, Manipal Academy of Higher Education, Manipal, Karnataka.

The second Technical Session II was devoted to the "Digital Resources, Open Access and Institutional Repositories". The session was chaired by Dr. Sandesh B. Dessai, University Librarian, Goa University, Goa. The keynote paper entitled "E-Resource Management in Libraries" was delivered by Dr. K. Rama Patnaik, Librarian, Indian Institute of Management Bangalore. The paper entitled "Awareness and Utilisation of Digital Resources by Faculty Members Affiliated to Sri Venkateswara Veterinary University, Tirupati: A Survey" was presented by Dr. B. R. Doraswamy Naick, Professor, University Library, Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University, Kakinada, Andhra Pradesh, co-authored with Mrs. Srinija Bathinapatla, PhD. (FT)

Research Scholar, Department of Library and Information Science, Dravidian University, Kuppam, Chittoor District, Andhra Pradesh and Dr. M. Doraswamy, Professor, Department of Library and Information Science, Dravidian University, Kuppam, Chittoor District, Andhra Pradesh. The paper entitled "Books (Print/E-Books) Collection in Engineering College Libraries of Hyderabad and Ranga Reddy Districts: A Study" was presented by Dr. Kumara Swamy Reddy Kothapati, Librarian, Sri Venkateswara College of Engineering (Autonomous), Tirupati, Andhra Pradesh, co-authored with Dr. M. Srinivasa Rao, Assistant Librarian, Knowledge Resource Centre, GITAM (Deemed to be University), Vishakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh and Dr. Narala Ravishankar Reddy, Librarian, St. Peter's Engineering College (Autonomous), Hyderabad, Telangana. Another paper entitled "Digital Resources and their Use Through Open Athens in Health Science Library: A Study of KMC Mangalore Library" was delivered by Dr. Pooja, Chief Librarian, Kasturba Medical College, Mangalore, Karnataka. The paper entitled "Utilisation of Library Resources and Services by the Research Scholars of Dr. Harisingh Gour Vishwavidyalaya, Sagar, Madhya Pradesh" was presented by Ms. Ruchi

Chourasia, Research Scholar, Department of Library & Information Sciences, Dr. Harisingh Gour Vishwavidyalaya, Sagar, Madhya Pradesh, co-authored with Mr. Rohit Kushwaha, Research Scholar; Ms. Ankita Jana, Research Scholar and Mr. Abhinay Shroti, Research Scholar of Dr. Harisingh Gour Vishwavidyalaya, Sagar, Madhya Pradesh. The paper entitled "Users' Perception of E-resources: A Case Study of Indian Council of World Affairs (ICWA), Sapru House Library, New Delhi" was presented by Dr. Shashi Rawat, Semi-Professional (Library), Indian Council of World Affairs, Sapru House, New Delhi. The second last paper entitled "Open Access and Creative Commons Licenses in Research Publishing: Mapping the Indian Open Access Journals Landscape in DOAJ" was presented by Dr. Faizul Nisha, Technical Officer 'B', Defence Scientific Information and Documentation Centre (DESIDOC), Delhi. The last paper of technical session II "Shodhganga – National Repository for Theses Data: What, Why and How?" was presented by Dr. Nirupma Chohda, Assistant Librarian, Panjab University, Chandigarh, co-authored with Dr. Neeru Bhatia, Deputy Librarian; Ms. Neeru Gupta, Assistant Librarian and Ms. Parminder Kaur, Library Assistant, Panjab University, Chandigarh. It was followed by product demonstrations by ACCUCOMS represented by Mr. Yogesh Zope, Commercial Manager, South Asia followed by a presentation on ProQuest (part of Clarivate) by Mr. Prathap Das, Director Sales, South Asia.

The post lunch session, Technical Session III was devoted to the "Public Libraries/School Libraries". The session was chaired by Dr. P. R. Goswami, Former Director (Libraries), Ministry of Culture, Government of India, New Delhi. The keynote paper entitled "Is There a Need for Setting Up Public Library Infrastructure in India's Semi-

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Knowledge Sharing". A presentation on "DELNET – Networking Libraries, Spreading and Sharing Knowledge" was made by Dr. Sangeeta Kaul, Director, DELNET. The paper entitled "Role of DELNET in Promoting National Education Policy 2020" was presented by Dr. Milind B. Anasane, Librarian, HVPM's College of Engineering and Technology, Amravati, Maharashtra.

The evening of the second day was made more memorable with the Cruise trip as all the delegates enjoyed being on the cruise, dancing to the Goan music and enjoying the Goan delicacies with the beautiful backdrop of illuminating ships and enchanting waves of the sea.

Urban and Rural Areas?" was presented by Dr. P. R. Goswami. The paper entitled "Transgender Inclusivity in Public Libraries" was presented by Ms. Hasbi Alikunju, Research Scholar, Department of Library and Information Science, Central University of Tamil Nadu, Thiruvarur, Tamil Nadu, co-authored with Dr. Anila Sulochana, Assistant Professor, Department of Library and Information Science, Central University of Tamil Nadu, Thiruvarur, Tamil Nadu. The second paper of the session entitled "Role of Public Libraries in Dissemination of Agricultural Information to Livestock Farmers in Sikkim Through Mobile Applications: Bridging the Knowledge Gap" was presented by Ms. Dina Subba, Research Scholar, Department of Library and Information Science, Mahatma Gandhi Central University, Motihari, District East Champaran, Bihar, co-authored with Dr. R.K. Choudhary, Head, Dean and Supervisor, Department of Library and Information Science, Mahatma Gandhi Central University, Motihari, District East Champaran, Bihar. The last paper of technical session III entitled "A Study on Reading Habits Among School

Students of Southern Rajasthan and its Effect on Academic Performance" was presented by Dr. Krishna Ranawat, Assistant Librarian, Faculty of Law, Bhupal Nobles' University, Udaipur, Rajasthan, co-authored with Mr. Raghuvir Singh Deora, Librarian, Vidya Bhawan Polytechnic College, Udaipur, Rajasthan.

The Technical Session IV was devoted to the "Library Networking and

On the last day of the conference the technical session V was devoted to the "Engaging Users and Enhancing User Experience". The session was chaired by Dr. Suresh Jange, University Librarian, Gulbarga University, Kalaburagi, Karnataka. The invited keynote paper entitled "Design Thinking and User Experience in Libraries: Pivoting Decisions Around Users" was presented by Dr. Dhanashree A. Date, Global Head - Information Resource

Dr. Sangeeta Kaul, Director, DELNET, New Delhi

Dr. Dhanashree A. Date, Global Head - Information Resource Centre (IRC), Tata Consultancy Services (TCS), Mumbai

Number of Member-Libraries as on December 31, 2023 - 8363	
Andaman and Nicobar Islands	2
Andhra Pradesh	545
Arunachal Pradesh	7
Assam	55
Bihar	58
Chandigarh	21
Chhattisgarh	119
Dadra & Nagar Haveli	1
Daman and Diu	2
Delhi	333
Goa	30
Gujarat	320
Haryana	396
Himachal Pradesh	70
Jammu & Kashmir	33
Jharkhand	53
Karnataka	356
Kerala	352
Madhya Pradesh	540
Maharashtra	1205
Manipur	9
Meghalaya	9
Mizoram	3
Nagaland	3
Odisha	170
Puducherry	31
Punjab	279
Rajasthan	372
Sikkim	10
Tamil Nadu	1081
Telangana	677
Tripura	8
Uttar Pradesh	963
Uttarakhand	101
West Bengal	146
Bhutan	1
Kazakhstan	1
Nepal	1
Total	**8363**

Centre (IRC), Tata Consultancy Services (TCS), Mumbai, Maharashtra. The paper entitled "Enhancing User Engagement: A Comprehensive Survey of Approaches and Best Practices in Academic College Libraries in Goa" was presented by Mrs. Manali Acharya, Librarian, St. Jose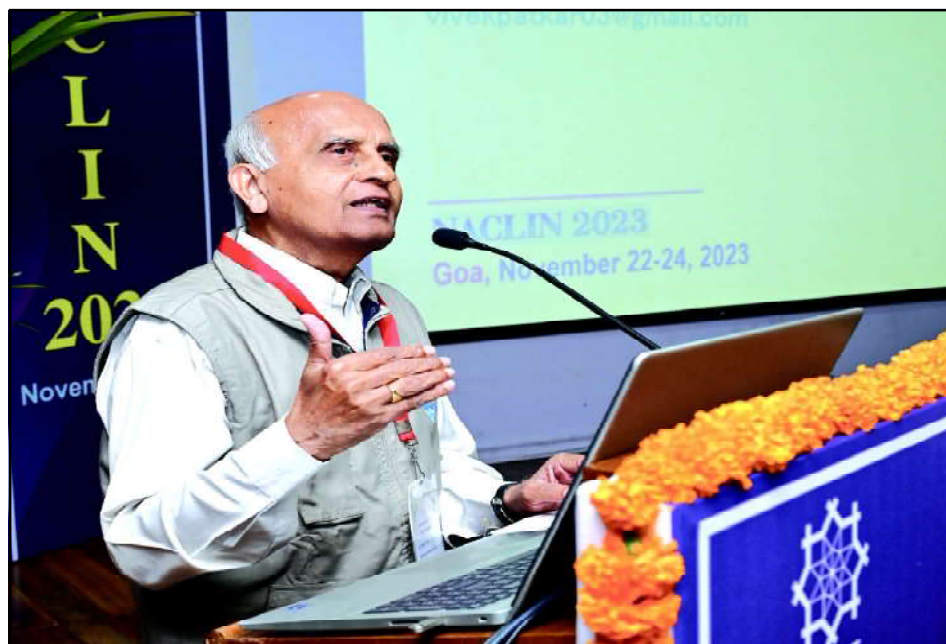ph Vaz College, South Goa, Goa co-authored with Mrs. Poonam M. Joshi, Librarian, Parvatibai Chowgule College of Arts and Science, Margao, Goa and Dr. Sandesh B. Dessai, University Librarian, Goa University, Taleigao, Goa. The last paper entitled "User Expectations Towards Library Collections and Information-Seeking Pattern of Postgraduate Students in the State of Goa" was presented by Ms.

Delegates at Poster Presentations

Dr. Vivek Patkar

Manasi Dattatraya Rege, College Librarian, VVM's Shree Damodar College of Commerce and Economics, Margao, Goa, co-authored with Mr. Sunil Madhukar Gauns, Librarian Grade I, GVM's Dr. Dada Vaidya College of Education, Ponda, Goa, Ms. Padmavati S. Tubachi, College Librarian, DPM's Shree Mallikarjun and Shri Chetan Manju Desai College of Arts, Commerce, Science, Canacona, Goa and Mr. Sudhir Baburav Halvegar, College Librarian, Vasant Joshi College of Arts and Commerce, Zuarinagar, Vasco, Goa.

It was followed by Poster Paper Presentations. The session was Chaired by Dr. Vivek Patkar, Independent Researcher, Kandivali (West), Mumbai. The poster papers entitled "National Medical Library: A Boon to the Medical Fraternity" by Syed Shuaib Ahmad, ALIO, National Medical Library, New Delhi; "Preservation and Conservation of Rare Collection in College Libraries" by Mrs. Sonia Mukesh Desai, Librarian, Swami Vivekanand Vidyaprasarak Mandal's College of Commerce,

Shirshire Bori, Goa and Dr. Vaijanath Ramchandra Kamble, Research Guide, Kavayitri Bahinabai Chaudhari North Maharashtra, Jalgaon, Maharashtra; "Disaster Management in Libraries of Goa" by Mr. Kishan Gaonkar, Librarian, Agnel Institute of Technology and Design, Bardez, Goa and Mr. Atmaram Joshi, Librarian, Agnel Institute of Technology & Design, Agnel Technical Education Complex, Assagao, Bardez, Goa; "Mastering Communication and Presentation Skills: Your Path to Success" by Dr. Praful Namdeorao Kadu, Librarian, Bhagwantrao Shivaji Patil Mahavidyalaya Paratwada, District Amravati, Maharashtra; "Digital Reference Services and User Satisfaction: A Case Study of Dnyanprassarak Mandal's College and Research Centre" by Ms. Alisha Tilu Naik, School Librarian, Assagao Union High School, Assagao, Goa and Ms. Novelty Volvaikar Morjekar, Assistant Professor, LIS Programme, DDKSSSBS, Goa University and Research Scholar, LIS, Rani Channamma University, Belagavi, Karnataka; "Academic Libraries in Purview of Artificial Intelligence:

Prospects and Challenges" by Dr. Bipin B. Nargide, University Librarian, D.Y. Patil International University, Akurdi, Pune, Maharashtra; "Study of ChatGPT Influence on Academic Libraries in the Perspective of Learning and Research Activities" by Dr. Raghavaiah P, Librarian, VNR Vignana Jyothi Institute of Engineering and Technology, Hyderabad, Telangana and Dr. Karnati Srikanth, Librarian, Mahindra University, Hyderabad, Telangana; "Use of Digital Marketing Techniques in Libraries" by Dr. Deepak Sharma, Assistant Professor and Librarian, Indian School of Hospitality, Gurugram and "Libraries in the Digital Age: The Impact and Integration of ICT" by Dr. Rahul R. Viswe, Librarian, Tolani Maritime Institute, Pune, Maharashtra were made. The poster presenters exhibited their posters in the Poster Area at the conference.

The last technical session VI of the day was devoted to the "Human Resource Development in Libraries". The session was chaired by Dr. M. Doraswamy, Professor, Department of Library and Information Science, Dravidian University, Kuppam, Chittoor District, Andhra Pradesh. The keynote paper entitled "Trends in Human Resource Management in Academic Libraries" was presented by Dr. Sumeer Gul, Professor, Department of Library and Information Science and Librarian, Allama Iqbal Library, University of Kashmir, Srinagar, Jammu & Kashmir. The second keynote paper entitled "Perspectives on Furthering the Library and Information Science Profession" was presented by Dr. Vivek Patkar, Independent Researcher, Kandivali (West), Mumbai. The last paper of the day entitled "Assessment of Digital Literacy Skills Among Students of Shri V.S. Naik College, Raver: A Study" was presented by Dr. Mukhyadal B.G., Librarian, Shri V. S. Naik Arts, Commerce and Science College, Raver, District Jalgaon, Maharashtra,

Dr. Sumeer Gul, Librarian, University of Kashmir, Srinagar

All of them expressed their view that sooner than later the role of libraries would acquire the shape of digital information-dissemination centres. Dr.Goswami opined that the government has to set up libraries in the villages and he highlighted the role of BALA and NITI Aayog in ensuring the presence of libraries or e-libraries within the reach of everyone in the country. He said that librarians should come out of the four walls of the library and reach out to readers. Dr. Suresh Jange urged the need for constituting a consortium comprising the librarians under the auspices of the Higher Education Council of the respective states. Dr. Sumeer Gul emphasised the need for better affordability and accessibility to higher education. He said that one should look at issues with a human perspective and it should be user-friendly.

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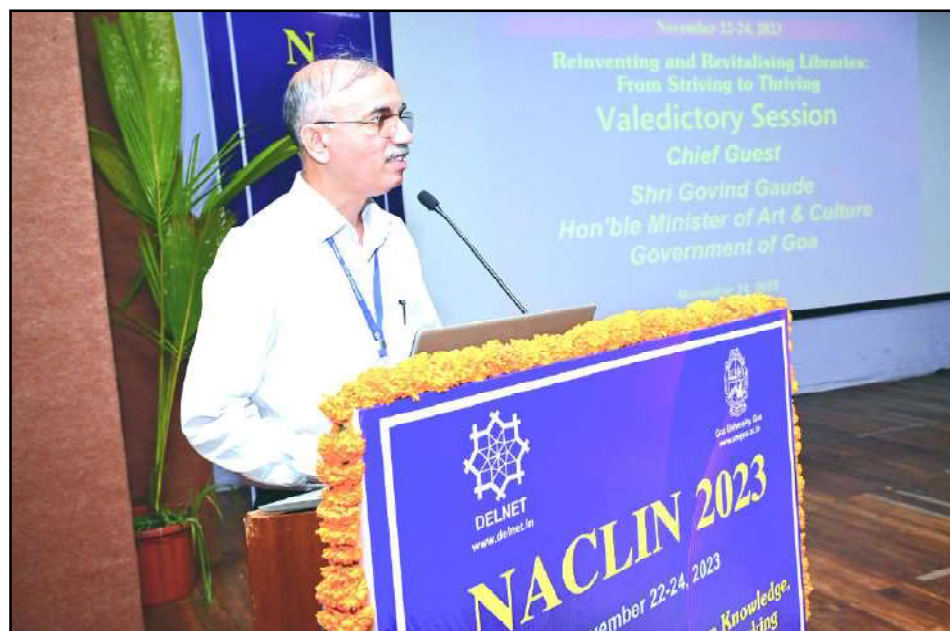
The panel discussion on the theme of the Conference "Reinventing and Revitalising Libraries: From Striving to Thriving" was organised after the technical sessions. It was moderated by Dr. Sangeeta Kaul. The panelists were Dr. P.R. Goswami; Dr. Sumeer Gul; Dr. Suresh Jange and Dr. Rekha D. Pai. The panel deliberated on a series of important aspects concerning the theme of the Conference. The question put forth by the moderator was how to bring back students to the libraries. Dr. Goswami deliberated on how to build up libraries and reading habits among the rural youth and children.

Dr. Rekha Pai who spoke during the panel discussion mentioned that we are moving from paper society to paper-less society. The same is expected in the case of libraries as well. The electronic resources would enable to reach to the large number of people at any time anywhere which will help reduce the physical infrastructure requirements as were being required earlier. She has also suggested that the libraries should open doors to the public at large. Dr.Suresh Jange, urged the need for going to the readers with an empathetic approach. Dr. Sumeer Gul who spoke during the course of discussion urged the need to reinvent and revisit the present role of information dissemination.

In the Valedictory session, the welcome address was given by Prof. (Dr.) V. S. Nadkarni, Registrar, Goa University, Goa. He expressed his concern over ensuring the presence of students in the libraries and also to see that they use the library resources usefully. Shri K. Jayakumar, President, DELNET expressed his gratitude to the

Panel Discussion

Prof. (Dr.) V. S. Nadkarni, Registrar, Goa University, Goa

organisers and participants who have made it a point to make this conference a grand success. He said that various presentations have taken us to different landscapes both inspiring and intimidating and NACLIN has succeeded in highlighting the issues confronted by the present-day education system. He added that technology is a game changer, it is not the answer for all vows. He warned that we have failed to instil the thirst for knowledge and the reading habits among our youth. He concluded his words by thanking all the officials of Goa University and participants.

Mr. Govind Gaude, Hon'ble Minister of Art and Culture, Government of Goa graced the Valedictory function as a Chief Guest. In his address he said that the growth of DELNET has resulted in the spread of library resources and knowledge across the nation. He further said that the library plays a pivotal role in knowledge dissemination among the students and the public at large. He cited the example of Abraham Lincoln and said that anyone can reach greater heights in life by reading good books. The talk was highly inspiring and enriching.

The participants of NACLIN 2023 shared their valuable feedback, appreciating the organisation of the most enriching and memorable conference.

The vote of thanks was placed by Dr. Sangeeta Kaul, Organising Secretary, NACLIN 2023 and Dr. Sandesh B. Dessai, Co-Organising Secretary, NACLIN 2023.

The Certificates of participation were distributed to all the delegates.

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We look forward to welcoming you at NACLIN 2024 at Indore ! ■

Hon'ble Mr. Govind Gauda, Hon'ble Minister of Art & Culture, Govt. of Goa