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A Report on **Librarians' Day** Observation through organizing a program entitled "**Library Orientation Program : Accessibility to E-resources through Library Webpages**" for the faculty members of Heramba Chandra College in association with Internal Quality and Assurance Cell (IQAC) during 12:30 p.m. to 03:30 p.m. on 12-08-2024 at the Conference Room :

On 12th August 2024, the Library of Heramba Chandra College, in collaboration with the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), organized a special event to commemorate National Librarians' Day in honour of Padmashri Dr S R Ranganathan on his 132nd Birth Anniversary. This occasion celebrated Dr Ranganathan, widely regarded as the "Father of Library Science," whose profound contributions to the library profession in India have left an indelible legacy. The day was marked by a well-planned "Library Orientation Program: Accessing E-Resources via Library Websites," which aimed to enhance the academic skills of faculty members, especially in the use of e-resources.

The event saw the participation of 37 faculty members from various departments of the college. Ms. Amrapali Bose, a faculty member from the Department of English, was entrusted with leading the program. She gracefully guided the proceedings, beginning with a brief introduction to the event. Following this, she invited Ms. Samahati Soor, the Librarian of Heramba Chandra College and the convener of the program, to elaborate on the objectives of the event and its connection to Dr Ranganathan's legacy. Ms. Soor emphasized how the program was dedicated to Dr Ranganathan's vision, particularly his emphasis on the continuous evolution and growth of libraries, which she encapsulated with the phrase, "The Library is a Growing Organism." In her address, Ms. Soor highlighted Dr Ranganathan's monumental contributions to library science in India, underscoring his role in transforming libraries into modern, dynamic institutions. She also described the importance of libraries as gateways to information, knowledge, and research.



Dr Nabanita Chakrabarti, the Principal of Heramba Chandra College; Dr Papia Sengupta, Associate Professor, Department of Political Science and Professor-in-charge, Library and the librarian have given the Tribute to Dr Ranganathan by garlanding his photo to commemorate the National Librarian's Day.

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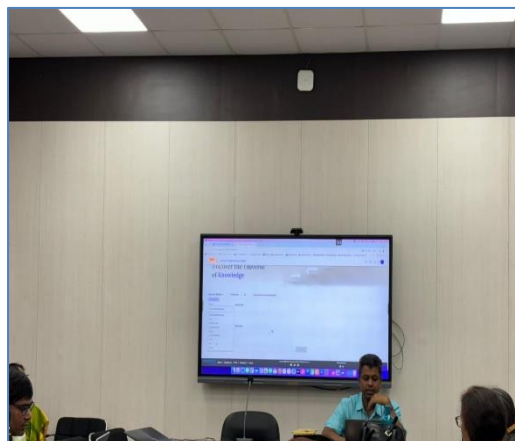
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Dr Nabanita Chakrabarti, the Principal of Heramba Chandra College, delivered the inaugural address, where she commended the efforts of the library in enhancing academic resources and services. She praised the library for its ongoing initiative to make e-resources accessible to faculty and students, calling the program a groundbreaking step toward improving the teaching and learning experience at the college. Dr Chakrabarti acknowledged the role of libraries in academic success and assured the faculty of continued support for such transformative initiatives.

The program was divided into two technical sessions aimed at enhancing the participants' understanding of library resources, particularly e-resources. In the first technical session, Ms. Samahati Soor discussed "Library Orientation: Remote Access of E-Resources." She explained the various e-resources available to faculty and students via the college library's website, emphasizing the importance of integrating these resources into curriculum development and research. She provided a detailed walkthrough of key online academic resources, such as N-LIST, which provides access to thousands of scholarly e-journals and e-books, including JSTOR, EPWRF India Time Series, Pearson eLibrary, and several Open Educational Resources (OERs). These include platforms like Shodhganga, SWAYAM, NPTEL, and others, which provide freely accessible educational content and research material. Ms. Soor demonstrated how to log into these platforms, navigate their features, and explore academic resources relevant to the faculty's research and teaching needs. She highlighted the importance of accessing these resources for academic development and provided practical tips on utilizing them effectively. Her session was well-received, with many faculty members expressing appreciation for the clarity and usefulness of the information presented.



The second technical session, led by Mr. Mahendranath Sarkar, Training and Development Manager, Informatics Publishing Limited, focused on "Retrieving Full Text E-Journal Literature" using the bibliographical database "J-Gate." Mr. Sarkar gave a hands-on demonstration of how to access academic articles and journals through J-Gate, which serves as a digital portal to a vast repository of academic content. He explained how faculty members could register using their institutional email addresses to gain access to millions of journal articles from over 15,000 publishers. He also highlighted J-Gate's advanced search capabilities, which allow users to filter results by citation count, subject area, and other

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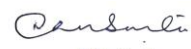
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parameters. The session was interactive, with faculty members actively engaging with the platform, learning how to retrieve full-text articles, and exploring additional features such as citation analysis and document delivery services.

In the valedictory session, instant feedback was gathered from attendees through QR codes, ensuring that the program's effectiveness could be assessed. Dr Papia Sengupta praised the program, noting both its benefits and the challenges related to the use of online resources. She also highlighted the importance of responsible and sustainable use of digital resources in academia.

Dr Ranjay Kumar Auddy, the IQAC Coordinator, delivered the vote of thanks, commending the productivity of the session and suggesting that similar orientation programs should be organized for new students, especially to familiarize them with platforms like J-Gate. He also recommended providing future students with training on using digital resources for research purposes. The program ended on a positive note, with participants receiving e-certificates in recognition of their attendance. Dr Auddy's suggestion to continue these sessions for students was well received, and many faculty members expressed interest in having more such programs in the future.

In conclusion, the event not only commemorated Dr Ranganathan's legacy but also equipped the college's faculty members with the tools and knowledge necessary to navigate and utilize the vast array of digital resources available through the library. It was a significant step toward fostering a culture of continuous learning and academic excellence, which is vital in the ever-evolving landscape of education. The program successfully demonstrated the pivotal role of libraries in modern academic life, furthering the institution's mission to enhance research, teaching, and learning.


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