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Newsletter

Editorial

*The evolution from 'Clay Tablet Libraries' to 'Cloud Libraries' is the result of innovation of technology available from time to time to the most democratic institution of the world - **Library**. Any advancement in technology has impact on libraries. The true library professionals are always keen to adopt new technologies and to adapt to the changing requirements of the users.*

The Library of Central University of Kerala is not an exception. It started from scrap and is now a knowledge centre of the academics of the University. The struggle behind this is visible from the very ambience of the Library. With its Online Reference and Document Delivery Service, it is actually reaching to the users wherever they are. The true Library 2.0 concept is in practice here.

The onward march of the Library needs to be strengthened further. The wholehearted support of the Library patrons is inevitable in this venture. Let us join hands to make this Library a world class one.

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GETTING TO KNOW YOUR LIBRARY

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Be Aware of Your Rights

Just like the right to education, you have the right to use your libraries. Naturally, you can demand the services. If you want to demand the services, you should know what the services are. If you don't know, just go through the website of the library or the guidebook or ask for the list of services you are entitled to receive.

Learn to Browse

First of all, understand the classification scheme in your library. A library's classification scheme is a system by which books are organized to be placed on the shelves. Browsing the shelves is an important step when you're trying to get information on a subject or a topic. It's worth the effort to become familiar with your library's classification system.

Library Classification Schemes

There are a number of classification schemes used in different types of libraries. However, the most prominent ones used in India are Dewey Decimal Classification Scheme, Colon Classification and Universal Decimal Classification. All of the systems attempt to "co-locate" books with similar subject matter. In other words, they try to bring books on the same subject together by means of providing a location symbol in the form of a number constructed for the purpose.

Library Catalogues

Library catalogues usually treat a book as a single "item" and catalogue it that way. You can't find a reference to a particular poem in the library catalogue, nor to a particular essay within a book of essays. The same is true of magazines, journals and newspapers. The library catalogue will tell you if the library keeps a particular periodical in its collection, but will not list all the articles within the periodical.

There are other publications in the reference room which will help you retrieve these individual items, but usually *not* the library catalogue. Eg: *Kerala Index* brought out by Kerala University Library. Most catalogues are searchable by author, title, subject and keyword.

Searching the Catalogue by Subject and Keyword

The subject field of a catalogue record contains only the words or phrases used by the cataloguer when assigning a subject heading. If the library is using *Library of Congress Subject Headings (LCSH)*, for example, the subject heading for a book about how playing football affects the players' bodies would probably be assigned the subject heading "Football—physiological aspects." Unless you type in that entire phrase as your search term, you won't find the book by searching the subject field.

Subject field searching can be very helpful, but you must find out how the subject you're looking for is worded. This can be understood either by using the subject heading lists or getting help from the library staff. Once you zero in on an appropriate subject heading, a search in the catalogue will give you a list of all the items in the library's collection categorized under that heading. The keyword field of a library catalogue generally searches several fields in the database record—the author, title, and description fields. This is not like searching for keywords in an indexed database like Alta Vista on the Internet, where every word in a document has been recorded. Do some research in the Library Catalogue.

Online Public Access Catalogues (OPACs)

There are lots of library catalogues on the Internet. You can search the catalogue of a library in Timbuktu, but that doesn't get you the book. Remember that library catalogues are just a database with descriptions of the library's holdings. There are a few online libraries where you can go to read or search full text documents.

Libraries build their collections based on what they think their users will need. Naturally, the collections of reference materials, fiction and non-fiction will differ between a public and an academic library. Be aware of what kind of collection you're working with, and make arrangements to visit a different library if necessary.

How to search for journals and newspapers at your library? Most libraries have either print, CD-ROM, or online (either in the library or sometimes on the Web) indexes of magazine, journal and newspaper articles available for users. Some of these are abstracts of the articles, which are short summaries written to describe the article's contents in enough detail.

How to search for journals, newspapers and databases at your library?

The databases will include particular periodicals published within a span of time (for example, a popular newspaper index goes back 36 months for certain major newspapers).

Know what the database you're searching contains and whether it's represented as abstract or full text. Consult the librarian for advice. Several times you've been advised to consult the librarian. Librarians can help save you a lot of time because they know their library's collection very well—both the reference collection and the nonfiction collection.

They are also skilled searchers, both of the library's catalogue and of online resources such as CD-ROM, online databases and the Internet. If you are a researcher, seek their help to advise you about the primary, secondary and tertiary sources available in your field. Also remember that resources that were once available exclusively in a specific format are now available electronically.

Programmes



NATIONAL WORKSHOP ON CLOUD COMPUTING APPLICATIONS IN ACADEMIC RESEARCH

A two-day national workshop on **Cloud Computing Applications in Academic Research** was organized by the University Library on 19th and 20th June, 2013. The workshop was aimed to train the research scholars and other academics to utilize the potential of the most modern technology in academic research. Eminent resource persons from various parts of the country handled the sessions in the following areas.

- Preparing cloud based online questionnaire.
- Online cloud based data collection.
- Sharing documents online.
- Online editing and correction in cloud environment.
- Other cloud based applications in research.

Achievements



Dr. Dineshan Koovakkai Appointed as Publication Officer

Dr. Dineshan Koovakkai, Assistant Librarian of the University has been appointed as Publication Officer of the University. This is an additional charge given to him by the University. He has been assigned duties of bringing out the publications of the University with ISBN, copyright matters and monitoring distribution of the publications.

Dr. Dineshan Koovakkai nominated to the Board of Studies

Dr. Dineshan Koovakkai has been nominated to the Board of Studies in Library and Information Science (UG & PG) of University of Calicut. The nomination is for 3 years.

Much thanks for this.
This is literally **EXTENDING YOUR HELPING HAND!**

Best regards

Dr. Prasad Pamian
Associate Professor & Former HOD,
DCL

Sir thank you very much for offering such a service during vacation. I have collected some articles before leaving CUK without having any idea about this and it is really a big gift for us. I will contact the library very soon and will try to utilize this service
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ONLINE REFERENCE AND DOCUMENT DELIVERY SERVICE

The University Library started a new service named **ONLINE REFERENCE AND DOCUMENT DELIVERY SERVICE** with an aim to provide instant Reference Service and Document Delivery to the academic community of the University during Vacation. The motto of this service is:

“While you are away, the Library is coming to you”

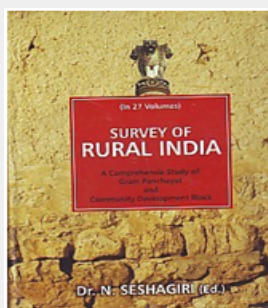
The intention of this service is to help the academic community of CUK to utilize the vacation more creatively by generating more knowledge. The Library is giving the resources at their destination. The e-mail address for this service is: askcuklibrarian@gmail.com



NEW ARRIVALS

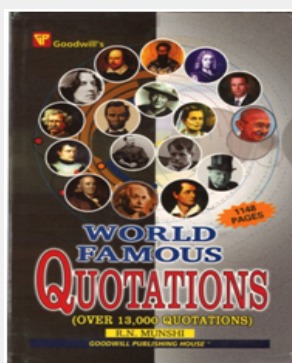
India 2013: a reference annual/ compiled by Research, Reference and Training Division, Government of India. - 57th ed. - New Delhi: Publications Division, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, Government of India, 2013. - 1206p.

India 2013: a reference annual, gives a comprehensive view of country's progress in the field of rural and urban development, industry and infrastructure, science and technology, art and culture, economy, health, defence, education and mass communication. It also incorporates sections on general knowledge, current affairs, sports and important events. Being a rich source of authentic and definitive data, it is a compulsory read for students, researchers and academics.



Survey of rural India: a comprehensive study of gram panchayat and community development block/ edited by N. Seshagiri. - New Delhi: Gyan Publishing House, 2013. - 27v.(613-1091p.): ill.(some col.)

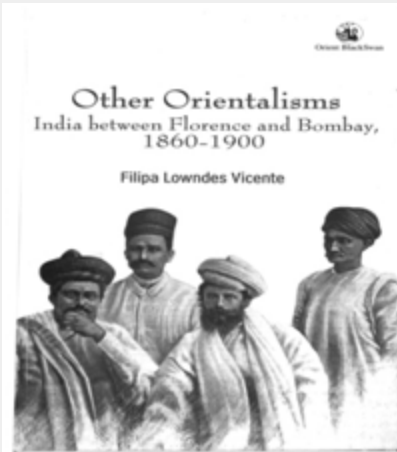
For the first time in Indian history a massive survey on its 72.2% rural population living in 638588 villages comprising of 6311 community development blocks (rural areas earmarked for administration and development) and 240561 Grama Panchayats has been published in 27 crown-sized volumes with maps and coloured illustrations.



Munshi, R.N.

World famous quotations/ by R.N. Munshi. - New Delhi: Goodwill Publishing House. - 1148p.

Over 13,000 quotations arranged in alphabetical order, will give you the best expressed thoughts of all times. The special feature of this book is the arrangement of quotations under each subject heading which constitutes a collective composition. The quotes, if understood and comprehended well, and wisely applied to the everyday life, would surely enable one to tackle the problems of life more confidently with a new and fresh approach, and make one's journey of life more comfortable easy and happy.



Vicente, Filipa Lowndes

Other orientalisms: India between Florence and Bombay 1860-1900/ Filipa Lowndes Vicente; translated from the Portuguese by Stewart Lloyd-Jones. - Hyderabad: Orient Blackswan, 2012. - xiv,346p.

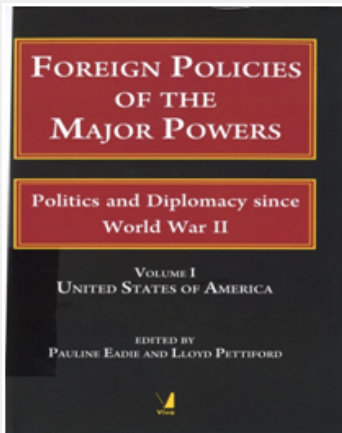
Other Orientalisms analyses different forms of knowledge about India through the circulation of people, ideas, information, images and objects between Florence and Bombay through the last decades of the nineteenth century. By being marginal to the main European colonial metropolis, the institutional, intellectual and visual experience of Florentine Orientalism enriches the debate on power and colonial knowledge that has been very much at the centre of the social sciences in the last decades. Likewise, by exploring the intellectual world of Bombay in the second half of the nineteenth century, made up of people from a variety of cultural, national and religious backgrounds, this book contributes to the wider cultural history of colonial India. By combining fascinating unpublished materials of this period, with a deep analysis embedded in contemporary historiographical approaches such as European and India encounters in a colonial context; the debate on orientalism initiated by Edward W. Said, or the global circulation of knowledge, people and objects, this books provides new insights into different fields.



Osho

Art of parenting: the Osho way / Osho - Bangalore: Osho Celebration Center Trust, 2010. - viii, 670 p.: 22 cm.

The relationship between the child and his parents is primarily based on love, freedom and a total acceptance of the child as an individual. The parent's core philosophy, in dealing with their children, should be a deep trust in children's natural intelligence and their ability to make their own decisions based on awareness and understanding. The relationship between parents and children should be such where children should be able to express themselves with honesty and integrity, have trust in themselves and understand that their lives, actions and feelings are their own responsibility, and have a non-serious, zestful, confident, creative and fearless approach to life and learning. Parents are the first teachers of the children and their homes their first classroom. Parents should help in every possible way to give freedom, to give opportunities for personal and spiritual growth to their children.



Foreign policies of the major powers: politics and diplomacy since World War II/ edited by Pauline Eadie and Lloyd Pettiford. - New Delhi: Viva Books, 2013. - 4v. (xii,388p.)

[v.1: United States of America,---v.2: The Soviet Union and Russia---v.3: China and Japan---v.4: Europe]

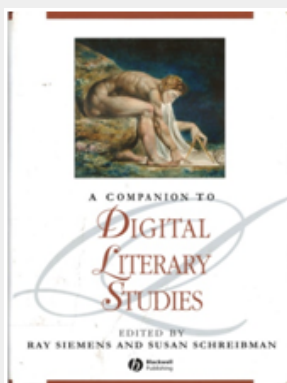
An understanding of foreign policy is of importance not only to professionals and scholars in international relations but also to the many international and multinational corporations with business interests in different parts of the world. Those who need to gain a rapid yet authoritative understanding of the foreign policies of the major powers will find the set indispensable. The four volumes--covering the USA, the Soviet Union and present-day Russia, China and Japan, and the European Union--form a timely, comprehensive and up-to-date account of the major debates and developments in the foreign policies of the world's major powers.



Retnamma, K.

Malayalabhasha charitram Ezhuthachan vare/ K. Retnamma. - Thiruvananthapuram: Kerala Bhasha Institute, 2003. - 290p.

A treatise on the growth and evolution of Malayalam language from 12th to 15th Century. The writings from the origin of written literature to Ezhuthachan is studied in this book. It is an assessment of the evolution of grammar, structure, vocabulary etc. This will be most useful for the classical language study.



A companion to digital literary studies / edited by Ray Siemens and Susan Schreibman - Oxford : Blackwell, 2007. - xx, 620 p. : ill. ; 26 cm - Blackwell companions to literature and culture

A companion to digital literary studies offers an extensive examination of how new technologies are changing the nature of literary studies. Through a series of specially commissioned articles by leading scholars, theorists, and writers creating born-digital literature, the text provides a thorough overview of the intersections between computing, literary studies and new media. It takes a highly interdisciplinary perspective in its examination of scholarly editing and literary criticism, interactive fiction and gaming, multimedia and immersive environments, and born-digital literature.

