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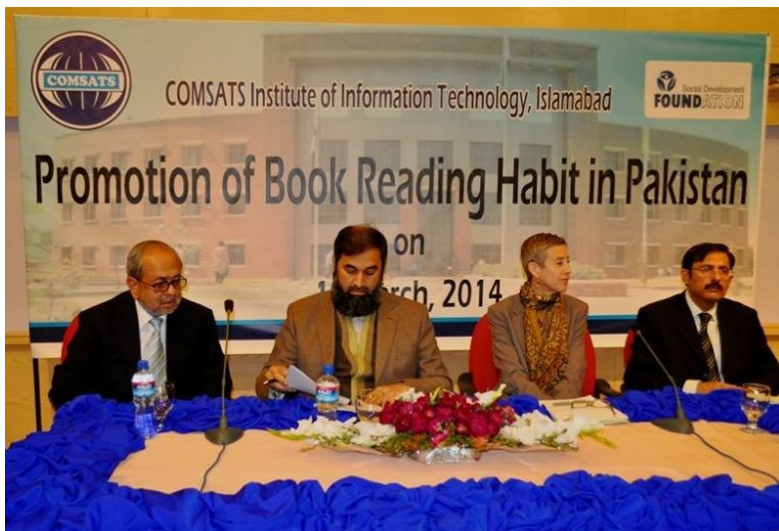
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COMSATS Institute of Information Technology (CIIT) Library and Information Services here on Wednesday organised a seminar in collaboration with Social Development Foundation on 'Promotion of Book Reading Habit in Pakistan'.

Minister of State for Education, Trainings and Standards in Higher Education Mohammad Baligh-ur-Rehman was invited as chief guest on the occasion. Japanese Embassy Counsellor Tushikazo Isomura also graced the occasion.



The hosting of the programme was done by Madam Nasreen whereas Momal Aziz was the student anchor of the event. Madam Nasreen said that seminar is of prime importance because books play a key role in the development of human society. "We can get collective knowledge through reading".

Unfortunately, reading habit is declining in Pakistan as revealed by the latest two Gallup surveys. There was hardly any progress in reading done in last five years or so. With the current era of digital age the reading of book is fast declining and we need to focus our attention on its causes.

CIIT Chief Librarian Raja Mohammad Ibrahim, while speaking on the occasion, said that we need to look at the factors affecting reading habits. Parents think that reading books would divert their children from getting high grades in examinations. This mindset should be altered. The government should take initiative on the likes of Karachi and Lahore where bookfairs are held on large scale. National Book Day should be celebrated each year. Parents should encourage their children for reading and gift them books on every achievement.

Humanities Department Head Aliya Zafar, while speaking on the occasion, said that it is alarming to see the statistics of book reading in Pakistan. It's not that are not reading at all, but this digital technology can also be used for reading. We need to focus on creative reading in Pakistan.

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US Embassy, Islamabad, Deputy Cultural Attache Judith Raven, while speaking on the occasion, said that public libraries improve the quality of communities. In USA libraries are public universities and they highly contribute in sharing knowledge. Everyone has a place in libraries as youth can get access to knowledge whereas the elderly for their health knowledge. On average an American student reads at least 24 to 36 hour per week or 50 pages a day.

To encourage the reading habit in Pakistan, we have established Lincoln Corners which are partnerships between the Public Affairs sections of the US Embassy and host institutions. They provide access to current and reliable information about the United States via book collections, current magazines, the internet, multimedia resources, and local programming to the general public. The multimedia resources, book, and periodical collections are open



and accessible to the public. Associated reading or meeting rooms are available to host program events and activities (i.e., films, lectures, workshops, meetings, and exhibits).

Judith said that Lincoln Corners offer a "window on America" and its people, history, society, geography, government, and popular culture. These corners are a place to read about America and to exchange views and opinions with Americans living in or visiting Pakistan. The students can also gather information about US Scholarship and Exchange Programmes.

Other initiatives can be taken here that the media could publish the summer reading books for the year and encourage its readers to go through them. The books as well as the digital technology can help in reading.

Minister of State for Education, Trainings and Standards in Higher Education Mohammad Baligh-ur-Rehman while speaking on the occasion said that the Holy Quran has endorsed to acquire knowledge in its first word 'Iqra' meaning 'to study'. It is essential to read books not only in developed nations but also in developing countries. "I fell in love with the Central Library of Bhawalpur when I accompanied my father at a very young age and became the youngest member of the library. That



habit of reading books highly impacted my life choosing for the US University that had the biggest library. We need to pay attention on this because when the books decline, civilizations decline too. The basic cause of the decline of the Muslim era was that the invaders destroyed our books. I would take these recommendations of celebrating 'National Reading Day' to PM and would make a policy to celebrate it in the future. Lack of libraries and lack of playgrounds in schools have further declined the quality of our education system. The government is working on this and soon special attention would be given to upgrade these facilities," he said.

CIIT Founding Rector S M Junaid Zaidi (SI) thanked the chief guest for gracing the occasion and said that CIIT is expanding its current library after which more than 4,000 students would be accommodated at the library. Lastly the souvenirs were given to the guests by the founding rector.

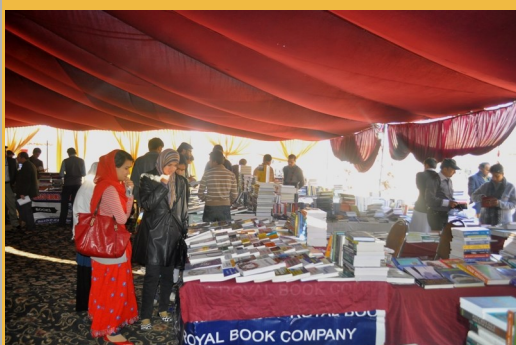
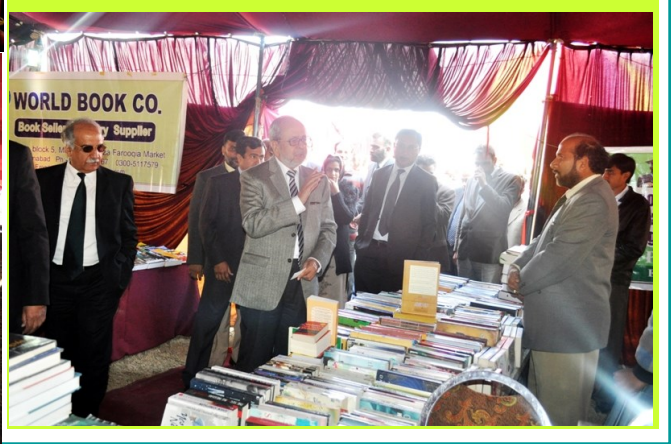
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Book Exhibition @ CIIT (Islamabad Campus)



Library Information Services (Islamabad Campus) organized a book from 11-13 February 2014 to provide educational community of CIIT an opportunity to select material of their interest for the library

News at CIIT Library Islamabad



Ch. Hamid Hameed, Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Kashmir Affairs & Gilgit Baltistan, accompanying by a delegation visits COMSATS Institute of Information Technology and Library on 25 March, 2014.

Riaz Khokhar, who served as Foreign Secretary of Pakistan from 2002 to 2005 was also a former Ambassador to China and the USA. He also served as High Commissioner to India, visited the library on February 18, 2014.

Mr Andrey N Shabalin, Political Counsellor, Embassy of Russian Federation, along with his team members visits the library on February 17, 2014.

A two member delegation from Office of International Relations, Alcid De Gasperi, University of Euroregional Economy, Poland (funded by European Union) along with Mr. Sohail Sajid, Advocate High Court and President, Pak Polish Cultural Exchange Organization, Islamabad Pakistan, visited the library on February 7, 2014.



Officials from CIMA Pakistan, a chapter of CIMA (Chartered Institute of Management Accountants), visited CIIT (Islamabad Campus) Library on January 31, 2013.

A team from Pakistan Engineering Council and Russian High Commission Staff visited the library as part of their schedule visit to CIIT for the accreditation of Department of Electronics visited the library on January 31, 2013 to access the resources.

On 17th January 2014, H.E. Mr. Nedim Makarevic, Ambassador of Bosnia and Herzegovina to Pakistan, paid a visit to CIIT (Islamabad Campus) and library. This visit was in response to a courtesy call made by CIIT authorities.



A group of Allama Iqbal Open University teachers and students visited CIIT library on March, 2014. . The group members visited all sections of the library and took keen interest in library automated operations and the information commons section.



Library Organizes Induction Sessions



“Know and Grow” was the catchphrase of “Induction Week” organized by Library Information Services (LIS) from 3-7, and 13 February 2014. The activity was planned and organized by the library with the conviction that early awareness to the library resources, services, facilities and searching tools will help students getting better grades considering the library as an integral part of their study.

Interest shown by the students for this activity was really heartening as more than 1000 students from different departments attended the sessions.

Following were the focus of presentations for the undergraduate’s;

- 1- What’s available in the library i-e introduction to basic resources
- 2- Introduction to various tools and databases i-e retrieval of library resources and how to use these resources
- 3- What kind of services library is offering and how and when to use these services

- 4- Which kind of facilities are available in the library and how to use a specific facility
- 5- What are the basic rules and regulations of the library.

Research and library basics session for MS and PhD students was organized with a thought that awareness

to available tools and special services along with the knowledge of research process will be highly effective in enhancing their skills and learning abilities as they will be going to involve themselves in research activities during the course of their study.

In addition to this library has special programs with the name of “Info Skills Program” to equip library users with the skill set which can be extremely useful for them and which can help them in getting better grades.

Further information about this program can be get from the library web-portal ww3.comsats.edu.pk/library/ This activity would not have been possible without the kind support of Heads of Departments, Course Coordinators, Department of Students Affairs, and Department of IT. Library acknowledges their assistance and hopes that this team effort will prove fruitful for students.

Know To Grow

Library Induction Week

Early awareness to library resources, services and facilities will help you getting better grades

Get Inside your Library

3rd Feb.2014 at 10:40 AM	4th Feb.2014 at 12:30 PM
6th Feb.2014 at 3:00 PM	7th Feb.2014 at 11:00 AM

Venue: Seminar Hall, Academic Block 1 (EE Department)

For further Details Email to abaid@comsats.edu.pk



CIIT Celebrates Pakistan Day

Every year, on 23rd March, nation celebrates Pakistan Day (Youm-e-Pakistan) to commemorate the historic Lahore Resolution commonly known as “Karar Dade Pakistan”. The day is also known as Republic Day or Pakistan Resolution Day.

In 1940, at Minto Park, which is currently known as Minar-e-Pakistan, All India Muslim League demanded a separate homeland for the Muslims of Subcontinent on the basis of their two nation theory.

The word “Pakistan” was never used in the resolution but the Lahore Resolution is considered a major milestone in



the Muslim struggle for an independent state in undivided India.

Every year, Pakistan Day, is celebrated at CIIT (Islamabad Campus) with fervor and enthusiasm. This year's celebrations started with a parade and then national flag was hoisted by the Rector CIIT, Dr. S. M. Junaid Zaidi (SI).

A good number of students and employees of CIIT with their families attended this short but extremely impressive ceremony.



Research Publications By Library Staff

Abstract of the paper is as mention as under, for more details please visit the below mentioned link.

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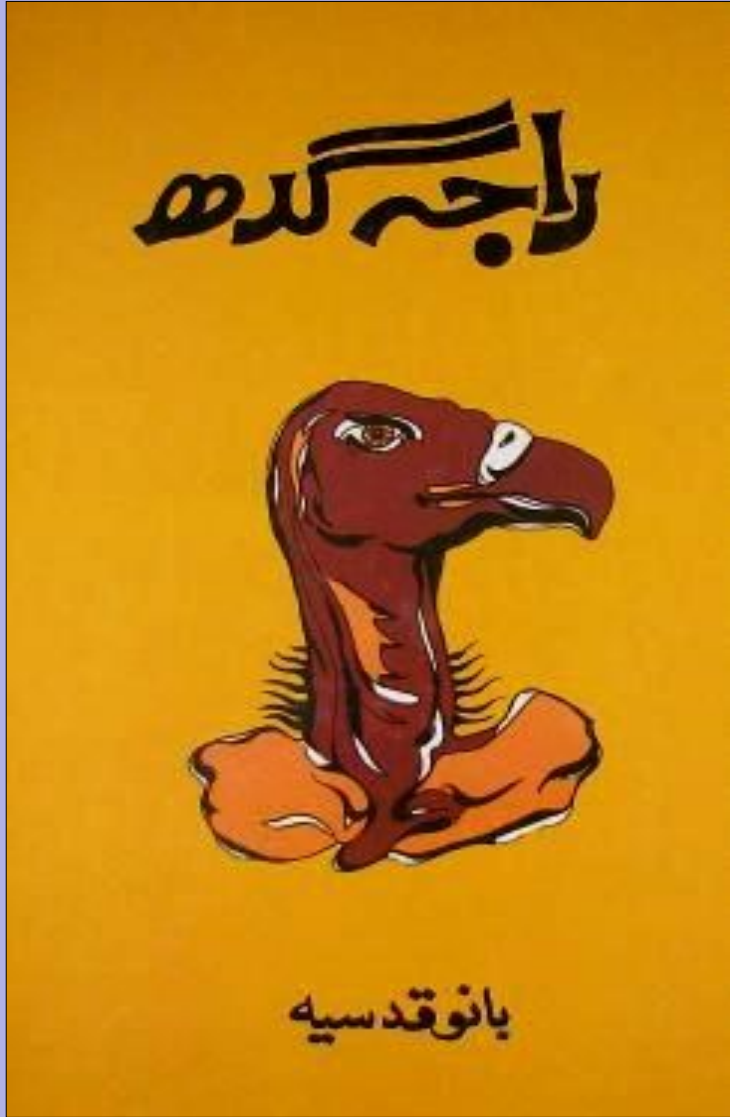
Abstract: The basic purpose of this paper is to evaluate the quality of library services at COMSATS Institute of Information Technology (CIIT) Islamabad campus from its users' perspective. The survey method was selected for the study and a modified SERVQUAL questionnaire was used as an instrument to collect data from the students, faculty, and staff members. Because of the large potential population, random sampling was applied and 275 questionnaires were distributed, of which 207 valid responses were received. The questionnaire was consisted of 22 paired closed-ended questions to elicit the responses of the users on a 7-point Likert scale. Analysis of the collected data revealed that

there are no significant differences between the levels of users' expectations and perceptions, which signify that the CIIT library is not lacking in quality services and users are satisfied with various aspects of its service quality. The study will be useful for those library professionals who wish to investigate the strengths, weaknesses and threats in their library services and who also intend to enhance the quality of these services. The study demonstrates that it is possible to make meaningful comparisons of library services, and argues that LIBQUAL should be introduced to provide a systematic regular study of the performance of Pakistan's university libraries in meeting user expecta-

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A research publication of Mr. Arslan Sheikh, has been published in “LIBRI. International Journal of Libraries and Information Services” March 2014 issue. LIBRI is an International research journal which is indexed in JCR Social Sciences Citation Index by the ISI Web of Knowledge and having an (Impact Factor: 0.368). The topic of the research was “Quality of CIIT Library Services and Users' Satisfaction”.

Suggested Reading



Raja Gidh

By Bano Qudsiyah

Raja Gidh Bano Qudsia is one of the most widely read and acclaimed Urdu novels. Gidh is the Urdu word for a vulture and Raja is a Hindi synonym for king. The name anticipates the kingdom of vultures. In fact, parallel to the main plot of the novel, an allegorical story of such a kingdom is narrated. The metaphor of the vulture as an animal feeding mostly on the carcasses of dead animals is employed to portray the trespassing of ethical limits imposed by the society or by the religion.

Bano Qudsia has written this novel drawing on the religious concept of Haraam and Halaal. Many readers tend to interpret Raja Gidh as a sermon, in which Bano Qudsia puts forth her theory of hereditary transmission of Haraam genes. Naturally the plot is woven to support the thesis. In the opinion of many readers and critics she manages to convince them that the pursuance of Haraam, be it financial, moral or emotional, results in the deterioration of a person's normality in some sense. She seems to suggest that the abnormality is transferred genetically to the next generation.

Apart from the above implication the novel has many social, emotional and psychological aspects. The nostalgic narration of the historical Government College Lahore and of the Lawrence Garden Lahore lights upon the days of seventies and eighties.

Bano Qudsia is among those Urdu writers who would think ten times before writing a sentence. But she does not sacrifice the flow of the narrative anywhere in this novel. Her characters are not black and white ones as some of the critics would like to suggest. Every sensitive reader who has attended a college or a university in a Pakistani setting is bound to find some similarities between themselves and one of the characters.

Plot: Seemin Shah, hailing from an upper middle class family, falls in love with her handsome class fellow Aftab in the MA Sociology class at Government College Lahore. Seemin is a modern and attractive urban girl and attracts most of her male class fellows, including the narrator Qayyum and the young liberal professor Suhail. Aftab belongs to a Kashmiri business family. Though he also loves her, he can not rise above his family values and succumbs to his parent's pressure to marry someone against his wishes and leave for London to look after his family business. Now the long story of separation begins.

Student Sports Week Celebration

Sports week was celebrated in CIIT Islamabad campus from 21th March to 31th March 2014. During this week a number of game competitions were organized by the "Sports Department" for students and faculty and staff members. The library professionals from Islamabad campus actively participated in Cricket, Badminton and table Tennis competitions. In the closing ceremony prizes were distributed by the Chief Guest Dr. Haroon Rasheed, Pro Rector CIIT, among the winners of different competitions.



Celebration of International Women's Day

Library Information Services Islamabad celebrated International Women's Day (IWD), also called International Working Women's Day on 8th March 2014 by arranging book exhibition in the library for the witness of female faculty, staff and students. Keen interest was shown by the visitors.

Exhibition of Students Work

An art exhibition of students work was organized by the Architecture department of CIIT in library's basement on 21st March, 2014. A number of student's participated in this event by exhibiting their work. Dr. Arshad Salim Malik, Ar. Arif Masoud & Ar. Uzma Nooreen Vahidy Zain was invited as guests on this occasion. At the end of the exhibition souvenirs were distributed among the students.



Library Web-portal (Visits by Location)

During February 2014 Library Web-Portal is accessed from 372 Cities of 84 Countries from all over the world

Country / Territory	Visits	Pageviews
	3,443 % of Total: 100.00% (3,443)	5,874 % of Total: 100.00% (5,874)
1. Pakistan	2,320	78.14%
2. Iran	157	2.88%
3. United States	140	2.64%
4. Malaysia	92	1.72%
5. Saudi Arabia	73	1.36%
6. India	68	1.36%
7. Indonesia	62	1.46%
8. Slovenia	45	0.90%
9. Italy	36	0.70%
10. Russia	31	0.54%
11. United Kingdom	30	0.53%
12. Thailand	28	0.53%
13. Philippines	26	0.46%
14. Germany	25	0.49%
15. Romania	20	0.34%



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Why the Academic Library Should Lead Higher Education Change

By Joshua Kim (Courtesy: Inside Higher Ed: Technology and Learning, Mar. 12, 2014.)

Writer is the Director of Digital Learning Initiatives at the Dartmouth Center for the Advancement of Learning (DCAL).

The challenge that we face in higher education is how we change while simultaneously preserving our most closely held values. How do we increase postsecondary productivity while guarding against commodification? How do we increase quality while increasing access? How do we leverage technologies without sacrificing the human element essential for authentic learning? The academic library, and academic librarians, may be in the best position to answer these questions. Here's why?

1. Experience in Change Management:

Academic libraries have been at the leading edge of technologically driven change for many years. Library services, from what I can see, have had to change at a faster rate than other academic services. Where teaching has changed mostly at the margins (so far), academic libraries have had to pivot from a regime of information scarcity (the card catalog, subscriptions, collections, etc.) to one of information abundance (Google). From purchasing journals to licensing databases. From housing books to providing collaborative work spaces.

Has any part of the modern university changed more in the past 20 years than the library?

2. A Strong Set of Campus Relationships:

Change in higher education cannot come from the top down. Authority is too diffuse. Traditions of autonomy too strong. Change, at least at traditional not-for-profit institutions, will be the result of many individual decisions and many undirected actions. Academic librarians are in a terrific position to catalyze change as they enjoy strong and durable relationships with many campus stakeholders. Librarians work with faculty and administrators. They serve on committees throughout the institution. The academic

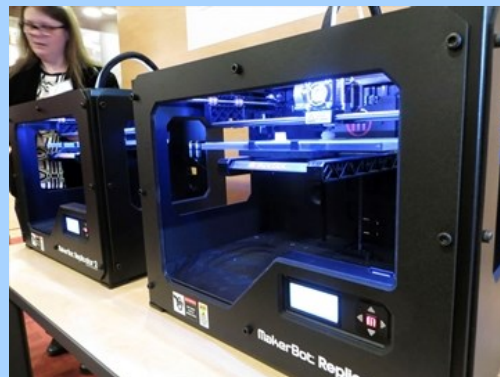
library will have a seat at the leadership table. Academic librarians also work closely with students, and are therefore in a good position to understand their practices and wants. All of these relationships (many of which are years long in the making) give the academic library the sort of influence and reach that few other areas of the university can match. This may be more of a soft power, but it is the sort of power to lead change that may be particularly effective in the context of higher education.

3. A Physical Presence:

The final reason that I think academic librarians may be well positioned to lead institutional change is the academic library (or libraries) itself. The building, the space. The academic library is the most often the physical heart of the campus (it least this is true at my institution). It is the space where students congregate to study and collaborate. This physical space is changing, from a repository of books and journals to a place of gathering and solitude, connections and contemplation.

The very solidity of the physical buildings provides the academic library some latitude in providing leadership for institutional change. Experiments can be tried in the library. We can see the results of change. Witness the benefits first hand. Are academic libraries reaching beyond their traditional responsibilities to be at the forefront of institutional change? What sort of thought leadership about changes in higher education are emerging from academic librarians? bbc.com/news/education-25981183

Toronto Reference Library unveils new Digital Innovation Hub



The Toronto Reference Library has taken a step toward the future with the unveiling of its new Digital Innovation Hub.

The hub offers an amazing array of high-tech devices, including a pair of 3D printers, a green screen, a 3D scanner, high-definition video cameras, editing software, audio mixers and more. Made possible in part due to a donation from the Metcalf Fund, the new \$44,000 space will give everyone a chance to test out the equipment, which will allow them to create and edit audio and video or even create solid prototypes of items they have designed using the 3D printers.

<http://www.insidetoronto.com/>

Historic library in Lebanon burned

A decades-old library owned by a Greek Orthodox priest in north Lebanon's majority Sunni city of Tripoli was destroyed by an arson fire on January 3. Unknown assailants torched the [al-Sa'eh Library](#), incinerating two-thirds of the 80,000 books and manuscripts housed there. The attack came one day after a pamphlet was discovered inside one of the books that was insulting to Islam and the prophet Mohammad, although the library owner, Father Ibrahim Surouj (above), had nothing to do with the pamphlet. [Another source](#) alleges that Surouj had written a controversial study on the internet, but he apparently was [not responsible](#) for that either....

Agence France-Presse, Jan. 3; Blog Baladi, Jan. 4; Ya Libnan, Jan. 4; The Daily Star (Beirut), Jan. 4

U.K. Libraries Offer Free Article Access

Public libraries in the United Kingdom are set to play a role in expanding public access to academic research via the recently announced "[Access to Research](#)" plan. Thousands of research journal articles will be made available for free: but only on computers located physically within a public library, not remotely. More details can be found in the following BBC story.

Public libraries get online access to research journals

The Access to Research initiative will give the public access to articles on health, biological research, engineering and social sciences for the first time.

BBC News, 3 February 2014 (<http://www.bbc.com/news/education-25981183>)

News & Events at CIIT Lahore Campus Library

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Training / Workshop for Library Users

CIIT Lahore Campus Library organized a training / workshop for CIIT Lahore faculty members in two phases. First phase was held on January 30, 2014 entitled "TURNITIN & Library Resources". With the same contents, second phase was held on February 3, 2014. It was a very sparkling opportunity for faculty members. Mr. Tariq Najmi, In-charge Library Information, Ms Aiman Shah Nawaz, Information Specialist were the resource persons for both training sessions.

Information specialist/ Liaison librarian service

To provide quality services to the valued users, CIIT Lahore Library, once again took unique initiative with the formulation of Information specialist/ Liaison librarian. As per our record, this type of services has been started very first time in Pakistan. The purpose of this stride is to provide quality services to faculty members of CIIT Lahore at their working desk and to overcome the gap between library users and the library. Following library staff has been assigned the task as Information Specialist / Liaison Librarians:

Mr. Naveed Siddique for Chemical Engineering.

Ms. Nasira Munir for Electrical engineering & Computer Sc.

Ms. Aiman Shah Nawaz for Architecture & Management Sc.

"Movie Carnival" during student week

Library organized "Movie Carnival" during student week. Five movies having suspense, thrill, action and comedy shown from March 24-28, 2014 at 4.00 pm (daily), in Conference Room Block "A". The response from the audience was very warm and appreciative.

MOVIE CARNIVAL	
	ENDER'S GAME March 24, 2014 - Monday @ 4:00 pm Conference Room Block "A"
	Carry on Jatta March 25, 2014 - Tuesday @ 4:00 pm Conference Room Block A
	FROZEN March 26, 2014 - Wednesday @ 4:00 pm Conference Room Block A
	GRAVITY March 27, 2014 - Thursday @ 4:00 pm Conference Room Block A
	MUGHAL-E-AZAM March 28, 2014 - Friday @ 4:00 pm Conference Room Block A



Seminar on TURNITIN "the user's perspective"

Seminar on turn-it-in "the user's perspective", was conducted successfully by information specialist Miss Nasira Munir on 19th February in physics department. Resource person was Mr Tariq Najmi (In charge LIS, Lahore). Participants were very much excited to know more about plagiarism and techniques about how to avoid it.

Federal minister and worthy Rector CIIT visits library

Zahid Hamid, Federal Minister for Science & Technology, Dr. S.M. Junaid Zaid, Rector, CIIT and Dr. Mahmood Ahmad Bodla, Director CIIT Lahore visited library on April 29, 2014. They visited all sections of the library. Ms Aiman Shah Nawaz briefed them about library resources and services.



Joining of Mr. Naveed Siddique

Mr. Naveed Siddique joined Library Information Services, CIIT Lahore as an Assistant Librarian on 3rd February. Previously he was working at CIIT Islamabad on same position. He is very good addition in CIIT Lahore library.



Orientation Day

To update the early birds of CIIT Lahore, orientation sessions for new students were held on the orientation day i.e. 9th February 2014. Mr. Ishtiaq and Ms Nasira Munir briefed the new library users about library rules, membership, resources and services. Session ended with question answers from the participants.

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Participation at International Book Fair at Expo Centre Lahore

Library Information Services, CIIT Lahore arranged a visit for International Book Fair which was held on February 28, 2014 (Friday) @ Expo Centre, Lahore. Interested faculty members joined library staff at this trip for the selection of books in their respective areas. Renowned vendors from different cities organized their stall for visitors. Faculty members felt very happy by this visit and they requested the same visit in future as well.

LIS participation in 60th COMSATS convocation

Apart from professional skills, a library professional should have managerial as well as administrative skills. LIS-CIIT Lahore professionals has the same quality and due to these extra skills, CIIT Lahore administration always willing to assign different tasks to library. Same with the case, during 60th CIIT Lahore Convocation, LIS-CIIT Lahore enumerated its participation through Gown management and playback music on 29th March, 2014. Zahid Hamid, Federal Minister for Science & Technology was the chief guest of the convocation. All higher authorities appreciated the services provided by

Kinno & Welcome party

CIIT Lahore Library always hunts venues for social gathering. This time delicious "oranges" provided this opportunity.



Library staff of CIIT Lahore arranged "Kinno party" on 7th February 2014. With lot of oranges and a very pleasant weather, library staff not only enjoyed the seasonal fruit but also welcomed Mr. Naveed Siddique, Assistant Library who joined CIIT Lahore on February 03, 2014.

14th Book Exhibition 2014

CIIT Lahore Library arranged "14th Book Exhibition 2014" on March 13-14, 2014, near Executive Cafeteria, CIIT Lahore.

Renowned national vendors / publishers from Karachi, Rawalpindi/Islamabad and Lahore participated in this book exhibition. They displayed latest books on different subjects like Computer Science, Information Technology, Computer Engineering, Electronic, Software Engineering, Meteorology, Telecommunication, Statistics, Maths, Physic, Electrical Engineering, Bio-sciences, Bioinformatics, Management Sciences and Leisure Reading. Dr. Mahmood Ahmad Bodla, The Director, CIIT Lahore inaugurated the event.



Participation of Library staff in cricket and relay race during student week

Library Staff, CIIT Lahore participated in cricket and relay race tournament during student week. Department of Chemical engineering beat the library team in first match. Unique feature of this match was the participation of female staff member in the tournament. All library staff members played with great zest and zeal. They participated in cricket and 400 meter relay race on 25th and 26th March respectively during the student week.



News & Events at CIIT Sahiwal Campus Library

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Workshop for MS Students Regarding Use of Library Resources

Library Information Services, CIIT Sahiwal organized a one day on-line training workshop with cooperation of CIIT Islamabad for MS Students. The objective of this workshop was to educate the MS students about library resources, so that they may well make use of it in their research work. More than 30 students from all departments participated in this learning session. The session was held in CR.6 on 13-02-2014 at 3:00 to 4:00pm.



Visit of Mr. John Megovem at CIIT Sahiwal

Mr. John Megovem, Deputy Vice chancellor, Lancaster University United kingdom visited CIIT Sahiwal on December 09, 2013 and appreciated the collection of books at Library of CIIT Sahiwal.



Visit of Chief Librarian at CIIT Sahiwal Campus

On 59th convocation of CIIT Sahiwal, Raja Muhammad Ibrahim, Chief Librarian, CIIT Islamabad visited the Library and appreciated the new collection and efforts of staff for managing and providing excellent services to readers.



Do u know ?.....

That Guinness world record is the most checked out material in the libraries.



News & Events at CIIT Abbottabad Campus Library

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Visit of Norwegian Delegation

Norwegian Delegation visited the library on 12th March 2014. They appreciated the library services very much and took keen interest in Video Conference Room facility. They were briefed by the Deputy Librarian.

Annual Stock Taking

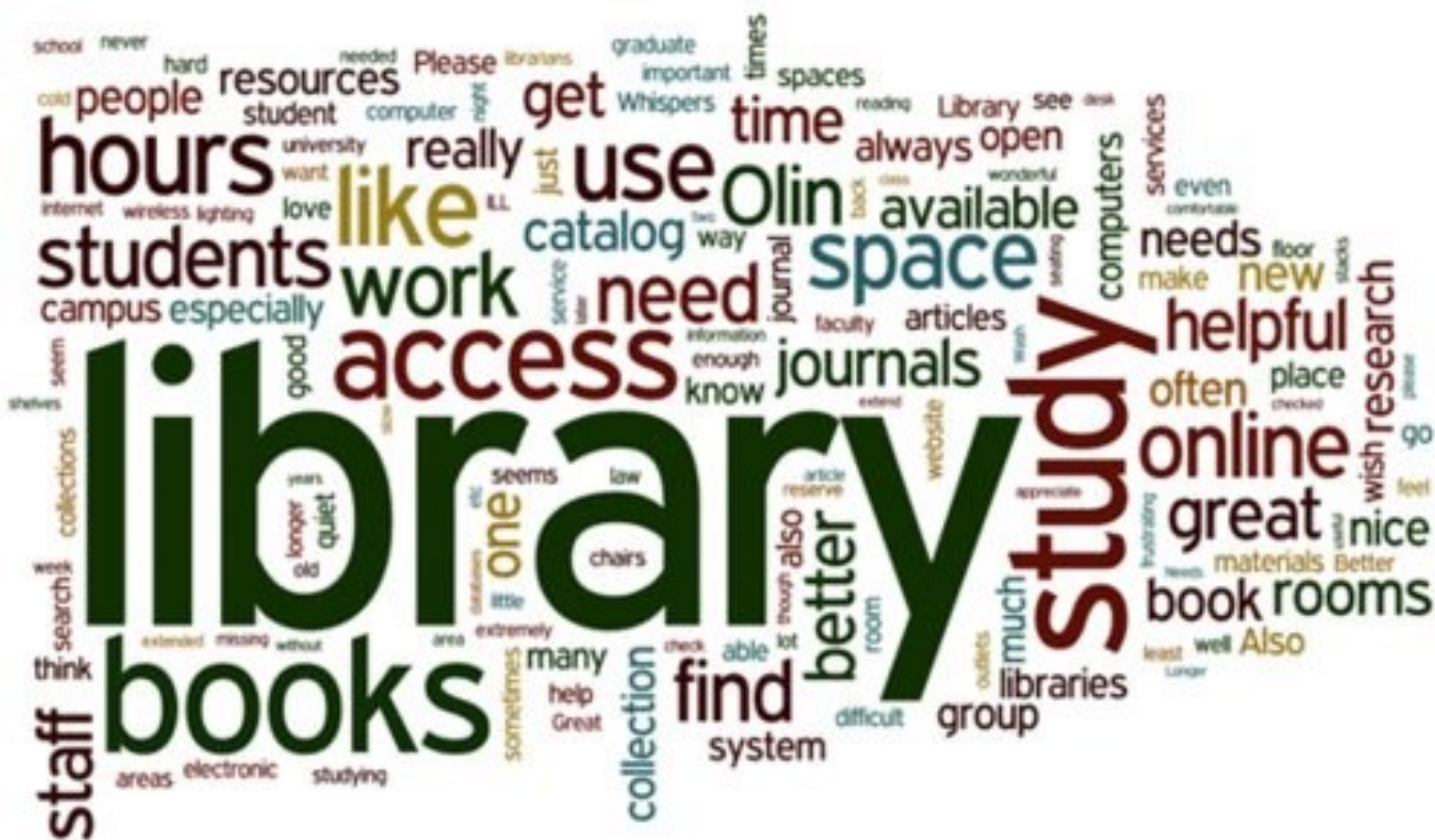
For the physical verification of the library materials the stock taking was carried out from 3rd February – 28th February, 2014. During the stock taking process, only circulation service was terminated, whereas the rest of services remained continued for the facilitation of library users.

Collection Development at CIIT (Abbottabad Campus) Library

CIIT Abbottabad library collection has been reached up to the figure of 27000. The CIIT faculty members from different departments recommended around One Thousand Books to purchase on the following subjects e.g. Civil Engineering, Pharmacy, Social Sciences, Mathematics, Computer Sciences, History, Management Sciences etc.

Muhammad Sajid Abbasi Joined CIIT Abbottabad Library

We are pleased to share this good news that Mr. Muhammad Sajid Abbasi has joined CIIT library as Library Attendant. The whole library staff welcome him and wish him all the best as well.



New Development in CIIT WAH Library

CIIT Wah campus library building having an area of 5000 Sq feet and about seating capacity for 70—100 students, including facilities like furniture ten double sided shelves and ten self study carrels and five PCs, OPAC for online searching of library material and access online Journals through VPN etc. VPN facility is also proving to all faculty members and MS/ Ph.D students also on regular basis. Due to the growing strength of students, and in result of the worthy Director instructions a new “Study Hall” with Wi-Fi facility has been established for the students which can accommodate 200 students at a time.

Collection Development

The collection of CIIT Wah library has crossed the figure of 19000. Recently around 1000 (one thousand) books having latest editions on various subjects has been added in the collection. The added books cover subject areas i.e. Civil Engineering, Power Engineering , Computer Science, Management Sciences and Mathematics. CIIT Wah library has also started a unique service of IEEE, ACM, and ASCE (American Society of Civil Engineering) Journals for MS and Ph.D students. CIIT Wah library downloads 20 Journals on regularly basis and preserve them in soft/ hard form for the research purposes and to save the time of researchers.

Book Bank Facility

CIIT Wah Library has also started a new service of Book Bank Facility for engineering students. Through Book Bank the engineering students can borrow all available text books for one semester. The Book Bank facility was very much appreciated by The Pakistan Engineering Council (PEC) members.

PEC team Visited CIIT Attock Library

A two member team from Pakistan Engineering Council visited CIIT Attock library on March 19, 2014 in continuation of the accreditation of BS (EE) programs. During their visit they witnessed different sections of the library. Dr. Sherzada Khan Director CIIT Attock along with Dean and HoD (EE) were also accompanied by the PEC visit team. Laeeq Mushtaq, Incharge Library Information Services CIIT Attock briefed them about the services, facilities and resources being offered to the students especially to the Electrical Engineering students. The team also interacted with the students during their visit and asked them about their satisfaction level regarding services offered by the library.





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