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Honor for LIS-CIIT

It is a matter of great honor for CIIT community that Mr. Raja Muhammad Ibrahim, Chief Librarian, CIIT Islamabad campus, has been elected as President of Pakistan Library Association (PLA) Head Quarter (HQ).







It is also worth mentioning that Mr. Tariq

Mahmood, Deputy Librarian at CIIT Islamabad, clinched the position of Member in Pakistan Library Association (PLA) Federal Branch (FB). It is worth mentioning that President Pakistan Library Association will be taking oath, along with his team, in January 20015.

Congratulations

Dr. S. M. Junaid Zaidi (SI), The Rector of CIIT, has been conferred upon Hilal-i-Imtiaz by the President of Pakistan Syed Mamnoon Hussain on the occasion of 68th Independence Day of Pakistan. The award has been given for his outstanding contributions and achievements in the field of Science and Technology.

Announced every year on Independence Day, August 14, and given on Pakistan Day, March 23, by the President of Pakistan, Hilal-i-Imtiaz is the 2nd highest award and honor given to the individuals (civilian and military officers) who have made outstanding contributions in their fields that led to international recognition to the State.



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Iqbal Day Celebrations

A book exhibition was organized at the CIIT Library, Islamabad on November 10, 2014 to mark the 137th birth anniversary of the great national poet and philosopher, Dr. Muhammad Iqbal. The publications on display included several works by, and about the great thinker. Allama Muhammad Iqbal is regarded as one of the most inspirational forces behind Pakistan Movement. He is also highly regarded for his scholarly works on politics, economic, history Philosophy and religion across the globe. His Scholarly work has been translated into many major languages of the world.

The day-long book exhibition attracted many students and faculty members, enthusiastic to learn about the life and works of the distinguished, and one of the most illustrious personalities of the 20th Century





E-Resources Workshop



Mr. Shahzad Abbas Assistant Librarian, CIIT Islamabad, successfully conducted a one day training workshop on the 'How to Use the E- Recourses of the CIIT Library', on 12th November 2014. The workshop was specifically arranged for the BS students of the Humanities Department.

About 40 students actively participated in the workshop. Mr. Shahzad Abbas was awarded with an "Appreciation Letter" by the humanities department



DID YOU KNOW?

Hoopla is an audiobook solution for libraries that is quickly making a name around the world. The company has a catalog of 13,000 titles with 1,000 added each month. Hoopla deals with over 100 libraries in the US and charges no licensing fees with setting up the system, which is quite appealing to the average library. The company has employed the Pay Per Use model, which only charges the library when a specific title is checked out by a patrons.



Dr. Mottaghitalab, Secretory General (INSTP) visited CIIT library Islamabad on 26-12-2014.

The Director P&D was also accompanied with the guest. Raja M. Ibrahim, Chief Librarian of CIIT library briefed the guest about CIIT library services and resources. Afterwards the guest visited different sections of the library and admired the services The Rector of Air University visited CIIT the users.



Rousing Welcome for Chinese Ambassador at CIIT (Islamabad Campus).

CIIT (Islamabad Campus) students and faculty members warmly welcomed the Chinese Ambassador on his arrival. CIIT (Islamabad Campus) was looking picturesque as it was decorated with the red and green of China and Pakistan.

National anthems of both the countries were played when H.E. Mr. Sun Weidong (Ambassador of People Republic of China) Mr. Toshikazu Isomura, Counsellor reached at the campus.



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He also visited the library where Raja Muhammad Ibrahim (Chief Librarian) briefed him about the various library resources, services and facilities. He visited the different sections of the library including the China Study Corner.



and infrastructure that are being provided to library Islamabad on 18-11-2014. The worthy Rector of CIIT and Director P&D was also accompanied with the guest. Raja M. Ibrahim, Chief Librarian of CIIT library briefed the guest about CIIT library services and resources. Afterwards the guest visited different sections of the library and admired the services and infrastructure that are being provided to the users.



A two member delegation comprising the following Japanese Embassy officials visited CIIT on November 10, 2014:



Ms. Tomoko Koide, Third Secretary

The purpose of the visit was to lend support to the central library of CIIT with the help of Nippon Foundation Japan. Head (IO) appreciated this gesture and projected CIIT as a young institution seeking active engagements with Japanese organizations/universities. Head (IO) also appreciated that the Japanese Embassy was the first to offer need based scholarships to Pakistani students in which CIIT students also benefited. The Embassy delegates took note of this interest.



Pirzada Syed Imran Ahmad Shah, MNA, and President P.M.L (N) Ulma Mashaikh Wing Punjab visited CIIT library on 10.11.2014.



A delegation of Bahrain Embassy officials, visited the CIIT library on 29th October 2014. The delegation was welcomed and briefed by the Chief Librari-Raia Muhammad Ibrahim.

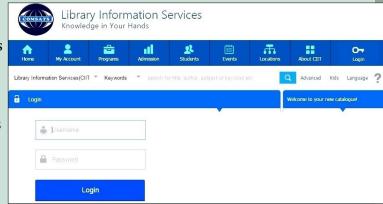
The delegation visited different sections of the library and appreciated the infrastructure and facilities that are being provided by the CITT library to its patrons.

Personalized Library services

It is matter of great pleasure to share that the faculty and staff of CIIT (Islamabad Campus), who are members of the library, can now benefit library's following Discovery Services. These services will be available to users round the clock via World Wide Web. Please visit the link www.ciit.insigniails.com/library/Discovery/ Default.aspx to get a snapshot of these services or visit the library main web page and click the OPAC for knowing more about these services:

Through these personalized services users can get benefit from below mentioned facilities;

- Online Reservations of Books 1-
- Loan History and Fine History 2-
- Loaned Books, Reserved Book and Outstanding Fines 3-
- Personal Information Updating 4-
- Request New Books 5-
- **Rate Books** 6-
- Create Favorites, Share Favorites and Email Favorites
- Track the Peers Activity





Mr. Tasawar Hussain (Deputy Librarian), who took over the project last year, has been working tirelessly with his team, to provide the users maximum possible facilities and such online services.

Italian Day Celebrations



COMSATS Institute of Information Technology and the Embassy of Italy to Pakistan hosted the 2nd "Italian Day". The 2nd Italian Day took place this year on Thursday 27 November 2014. The Italian Day is an event of multiple academic activities, cultural and fun. The CIIT Library played a participative role in these activities and provided their physical space for the event as well. One of the focuses of this year's Italian Day was to bring in industry and help our final year students with a smoother education-towork in this transition. Hence many of the activities focused on how to help build their skills for this task. The event was very successful and a huge number of students, faculty and staff members actively participated in it.

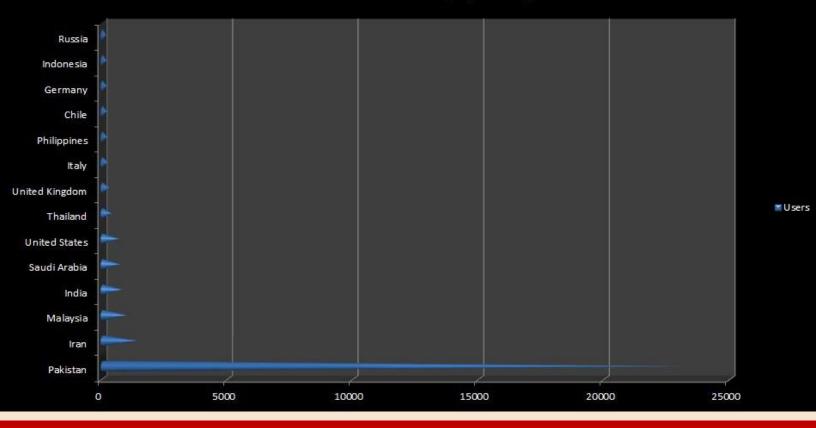


Global Access of Library Web-portal 2014



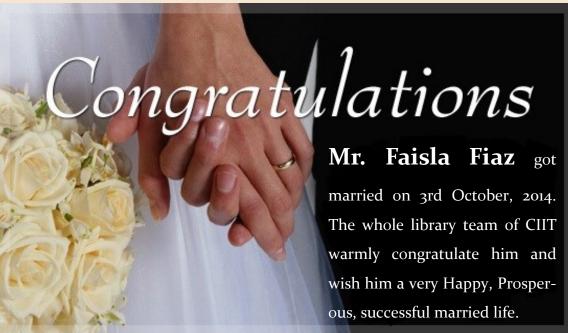
It is very encouraging that Library Websites was accessed from 143 countries of the world during 2014. The statistics demonstrates that CIIT portal has both national and international users from all over the world.

Access of Library Main Web-portal - Geographically ww3.comsats.edu.pk/library



Wedding Ceremony





Suggested Reading



Main Aik Jasoos Tha By Tariq Ismail Sagar

Main Aik Jasoos Tha (میں ایک جاسوس تھا) (I was a Spy) is a beautiful and interesting Urdu novel written by Tariq Ismail Sagar , the renowned Urdu fictions writer, novelist, short story

writer, columnist and current affair specialist, who is better known for his political and spy novels and books on intelligence agencies.

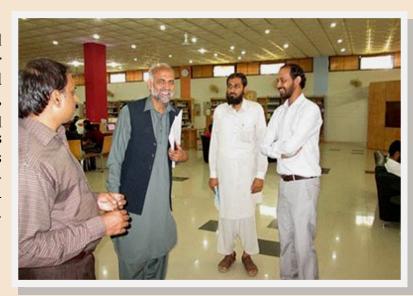
Tariq Ismaeel Sagar, born on 16th October, 1952 in Lahore, Pakistan is a name which does not need any introduction at all. The man who takes his responsibility as novelist, journalist, dramatist and current affairs specialist with iron hands. The icon of both electronic and paper media in Pakistan. The man with an asset of sixty plus books, twenty three drama serials and thousands of articles. He is the one who has given Pakistan film industry the breakthrough script of the movie "Salakhein". The man who has the firm command over the workings and the networks of world wide intelligence services. The man who is ranked among the best selling novelist of South Asia. His books are sold like hot cakes. People all around the globe wait for his writings. As a matter of fact, many of his books are translated into English for non-Urdu speakers. The man who's versatility has no parallel. Hundreds of thesis has been written on his writings and services. No doubt, he is the living legend of Pakistan.

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Library visits

National Computing Education Accreditation Council (NCEAC) team visited CIIT Lahore Library on October 2, 2014. NCEAC team members along with Dr. Asad Hussain Head department of Computer Science, Nadeem Ghafoor Chaudhary faculty member and Tariq Najmi (Incharge Library) welcomed the team members and briefed them about the various facilities, services and resources that library is providing to the academicians and students. Afterwards, the team visited different sections of the library and appraised the library resources and services.





A team of Pakistan Engineering Council (PEC) consisting on Dr. Muhammad Younus, CE&ME, Rawalpindi, Dr. Riaz Mughal, MUST, Mirpur and Shahab Khattak, PEC Islamabad visited the library along with Dr. sobia Baig HOD, Electrical Engineering Department, Dr. Ijaz Ahmad Ansari, Dr. Saleem Akthar and Dr. Hafiz Asif on November 18, 2014. Tariq Najmi Library Incharge welcomed and briefed them about library resources and services. Team also visited different sections of the library and appraised the library resources and services. They took special interest in library digital resources and in serial section.



A team of International Standard Organization (ISO-9001) visited the library for annual audit on dated November 11, 2014. Mr. Tariq Najmi Library In charge, briefed them about library resources and services. The visit remained successful and the team was very much satisfied about the library particulars the documentation and standards that library has managed.



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15th Grand Book Fair

Library Information Services CIIT-Lahore organized two days "Grand Book Fair" on 22nd & 23rd October, 2014.

Leading booksellers / vendors participated in this exhibition. They displayed latest books on different subjects like Electronic, Software Engineering, Meteorology, Telecommunication, Statistics, Mathematics, Physic, Electrical Engineering, Bio-sciences, Bioinformatics, Management Sciences and Leisure Reading.

Dr. Mahmood Ahmad Bodla, The Director, CIIT Lahore inaugurated the

Grand Book Fair on Wednesday 22 October, 2014.

Movie Show

Danish Society also organized movie show during Student week on 18th to 23rd October. Five block buster movies showed in five days.

- 1. Lagaan
- 2. How to trained dragon 2
- 3. Transformers 4
- 4. Maleficent
- 5. Waar

Student Week participation



Danish Society CIIT Lahore Library has successfully organized an event entitled "Anime Carnival" on October 18, 2014 from 1.00 to 7.00 pm at N-Block arena. The event have all the entertainment includes Ninja Performance, Music, Karaoke, Ota Challenges, Cosplay, Metal Band, gaming zone, Art Gallery and many more. The faculty, staff and students were participated in the

event with families. Dr. Mahmood Ahmad Bodla, Director CIIT Lahore distributed the certificates and shields to the winners.

Well-Done

Mr. Naveed Siddique

LIS team participated in cricket & 60 meter race. Mr. Naveed Siddique won the 60 meter race in faculty and officers competition.





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Training on Academic Writing and Publishing Your Research

CIIT Lahore Library arranged a lecture on "Academic Writing and Publishing Research in Scientific Journals" on December 10, 2014. Dr. Muhammad Ramzan, Director Libraries LUMS Lahore was the resource person. Round 50 participants includes HoDs, faculty members, researchers, advisors and library staff participated the seminar. The seminar was good and the resource person covered all areas related to research writing and publishing process. The participants took keen interest in the seminar particularly in the interactive sessions. The contents of



the presentation and the way the Dr. Muhammad Ramzan presented his presented was remarkable and all the participants give positive response and appreciated the both presentation and presenter as well. At the end, Dr. Robina Farooq, Convener Library Affairs Committee presented a souvenir to the presenter.



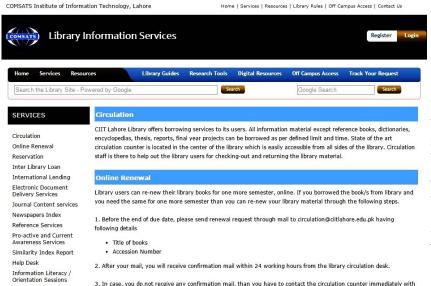
Hats off to Ms. Nasira Munir

It is a matter of immense pleasure to share that Ms. Nasira Muneer has successfully completed her M.Phill degree in Library Science from "University of Minhaj" Lahore. Her area of research was "Application of Marketing in University Libraries of Lahore: An Exploratory Study".

Internee Librarian

Mr. Zaib Hassan joined Library Information Services CIIT Lahore, as an Internee Librarian. Library staff welcomed him with the hope that he will prove to be a good addition in the library.





Online Renewal of Books (New Service)

CIIT Lahore library pleased to share that library now users can re-new their library books for one more semester, online. If they would like to borrow the book/s from library they just need to file their request from online system. For detailed please click the link below.

http://library.ciitlahore.edu.pk/services.aspx#onren

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Collection Development

About 200 new books on various subjects has been added in the CIIT Attock library. All the books have been purchased with consultation of Faculty members.

Congratulations to Mr. Zeeshan Saeed

Mr. Zeeshan Saeed has improved his qualification and completed Bachelor Degree in Library & Information Science from AIOU Islamabad. Mr. Zeeshan Saeed has also been promoted to the post of LDC (Library). CIIT Attock Library staff congratulates him on his academic as well professional achievement.

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Visit of Foreign Delegation

A delegation of foreigners visited the CIIT Abbottabad Library on 20th November 2014. The delegation was consisted on the following members.

Mr. Roland K. Jahnke (Germany)

Brig.(R) Mofiz-Ur_rehman (Bangledesh)

Mr. Ariyasiri Kalupahana (Sri Lanka)

Mr. BDWK KArunarathna (Sri Lanka)





These delegates came Abbottabad to participate in 6th National Convention on Students Quality Circles on 21st & 22nd November, 2014. All delegates appreciated the whole services of library, specially the Digital Services.

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PEC Visit (24th September---25th September 2014)

PEC team visited the library for "Electrical Power Engineering on 24th September, 2014. The team was briefed by Dy. Librarian (Mr. Nafees-Ud-Din), they appreciated the Library Digital Services, Library Book shop/ Book Bank etc. They shown keen interest in collection development of Engineering, Power books purchased after the last visit. PEC team was consisted on following members.

1. Dr. Muhammad Ahmad Choudhary, UET, Taxila

2. Dr. Khalid Mahmood ul Hassan, UET, Lahore

3. Mr. Muhammad Haroon Afridi

(Convener) (Expert EE) Rep. PE

Visit of HEC Team

HEC Team has visited the CIIT Abbottabad on 19th November 2014 for to review the PhD Program & also visited the Library. All they have shown keen interest in HEC Digital Library, Video Conference Room facilities etc. The Team was consisted on the following,

- Prof. Dr. Dost Muhammad Baloch
- 2. Prof. Dr. Riaz Ahmed
- 3. Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq Ahmed Qazi
- 4. Shoaib Irshad

PHARMACY LIBRARY

CIIT Abbottabad campus has established the new section of Library in Pharmacy Department as "Pharmacy Library" where round about 2000 books has been placed for the facilitation of pharmacy Department. Now 2 libraries exist in CIIT Abbottabad campus.

- Engineering Library
- 2. Pharmacy Library

Student Week Celebrations

Student Week was celebrated from 20th—25th October 2014. Different games competition were held like Cricket, Foot Ball, Badminton, Table Tennis, Photography, Indoor Talent, Funfair (Stalls) etc.



Donation

CIIT Abbottabad campus library received a donation of 100 Books from Dr. Laiq Khan and Dr. Imdad Khan (CIIT Abbottabad) & 100 Books donation from Asia Book Foundation on Electrical Engineering, Social Sciences, and Pharmacy etc.

Collection Development

By the grace of ALL Might ALLAH, CIIT Abbottabad campus library has added more the 500 books in the Library stock on variety of subjects.

4 Ways Academic Libraries Are Adapting For The Future

Has technology rendered the library obsolete? It doesn't seem so. Instead, centers for higher learning are finding ways to reinvigorate them.

Written By Brad Lukanic

For academic institutions seeking to thrive amidst the constantly shifting world of higher education, libraries have become the heart of the spirit of collaboration and innovation—going beyond being places to merely access knowledge to become hubs to truly explore and create. The institutions at the frontlines of this change are thinking beyond the days of the library as a collections repository to something much more powerful. At a recent meeting with the <u>University of Virginia</u> Executive Vice President and Provost John Simon, he described the library as the great "Intellectual Convener."

Despite all the dire predictions for the future of academic libraries in the digital age, when people believed the digitalization of print and other emerging technologies would make them irrelevant, universities around the country are evolving their libraries and intellectual centers into catalysts for discovery, learning, collaboration, and scholarly breakthroughs.

This evolution keeps academic libraries at the intersection of trans-disciplinary learning as institutions transform their pedagogies to meet evolving needs.

Each institution requires a unique vision for creating an intellectual center for 21st-century teaching, learning and collaboration. Moreover, that vision must reflect the institution's own voice and ask what it means to support the creation of academic scholarship. These are four key areas critical to the changing landscape for academic libraries.

<u>Libraries Must Respond to Strategic Campus and Business Needs</u>

In today's educational environment, simply focusing on library space planning is not sufficient. Academic leaders are immersed in ongoing discussions about strategic investments and outcomes that impact institutional priorities, use of resources and the modeling of spaces on campus. This critical, evidence-based decision-making must be aligned with library planning efforts.

The <u>University of Guelph</u> has committed to such rigorous analysis with the revitalization of its <u>McLaughlin Library</u>. Originally designed to support a 300,000 volume collection and 15,000 students, McLaughlin Library needed a plan to accommodate the university's evolution into a comprehensive research university with a 1.2 million volume collection serving over 21,000 students.

University leaders conducted <u>online staff surveys</u>, open town-hall sessions, focus group discussion, student intercept polling and interactive staff planning workshops to develop a plan to renovate the existing facility. The plan created 40% more study space, including flexible active learning instruction areas, a range of collaborative group-study rooms and a new "Research Collaboratory," co-located with reading and exhibit rooms. By reorganizing for efficiencies in staff workspaces and moving non-technical operations off the main floor, the university also created a vibrant new main entrance that invites students into the learning commons and offers a 24-hour zone, café, and computer lab.

<u>Libraries Need to have Technology Infused in Every Aspect of Service</u>

Those who predicted the demise of libraries in the face of emerging technology failed to understand how libraries could transform to become beacons for both interactive learning and knowledge creation across both the physical and digital realms. With an estimated 89% of today's college students using smart phones in addition to laptops and tablets, libraries need to offer learning opportunities across multiple mediums that allow students to access local and global networks of information. That access allows not only access to knowledge but also the ability to easily create and share knowledge. This mobility shift is where 21st-century teaching, learning, and the creation of new knowledge intersect. Libraries must now foster a positive ecology of relationships, connectivity settings, and tools layered together to foster discovery and learning within the context of a dynamic academic framework.

<u>Wilfrid Laurier University</u> made technology a central focus for the planning of its new library which will be fully equipped to support the multimedia, study and instructional needs for its 16,000 students. The library offers robust access to technology and digital content along with an IT infrastructure capable of supporting 24/7 fast-paced learning and connectivity. The University of Guelph made similar adaptations for McLaughlin Library by introducing compact shelving for a consolidated collection and spaces and tools reflective of the rise of digital resources.

Libraries Must Embrace Flexibility

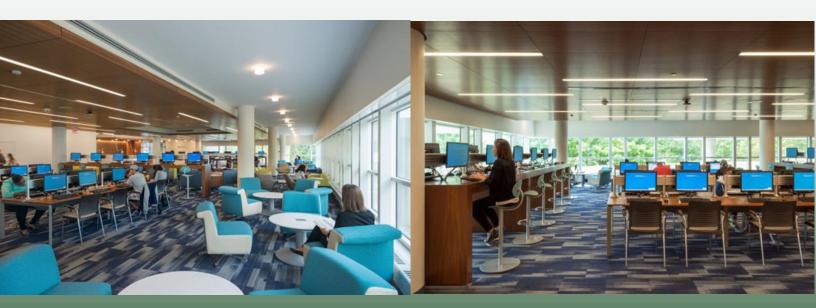
The role a library needs to play on an academic campus will continue to evolve over the next two decades just as it has over the previous two. Institutions can't lose sight of this as they plan for the future of their intellectual facilities. Universities will be most successful in leveraging their libraries if they not only solve for current needs but ensure their facilities can respond to future changes in pedagogy and technology.

<u>SUNY</u>, The College at Old Westbury recognized that its 1980s-built library at the heart of campus no longer adequately met student needs. The state of New York and the school committed to an extensive planning exercise that led to expanding the range of seating types and creating collaborative study rooms, digital and <u>analog media labs</u> and individual research spaces. Collectively, these renovation efforts prepared the library to accommodate a growing collection for the next 20 years, provide staff with sufficient space for student support, and introduce <u>adaptable and technology-rich environments</u> across the library. The rejuvenated library not only enriches the existing campus experience but is also aiding in student recruitment and retention for the future.

Libraries Must Have Places to Engage

It has never been more vital for academic leaders to ensure libraries offer an appropriate balance of flexible and special-use spaces to spur dialogue and engagement. Along with responding to changes dictated by technological advances, libraries must also offer appropriate spaces for meetings, presentations and casual collaboration. Every institution will have a different set of needs for such spaces. Academic leaders need to study their institutions and deliver strategic responses based on their unique opportunities. SUNY Old Westbury, Wilfrid Laurier University, and University of Guelph needed to achieve different goals and thus delivered their own creative solutions. In each case, while strategically addressing how their libraries can continue to empower leading-edge learning, they've created valuable and memorable spaces that invigorate their campus.

The academic library's shift from a repository of collections to a catalyst for discovery and creation is now happening across the globe. More than ever, libraries are essential as the place where people, knowledge, and research intersect to tackle our world's greatest challenges.



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