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Under the auspices of e-Granth project of NAIP (ICAR), IISR Library is organizing a one-day workshop titled '*Information Literacy in the Digital Era*' on 12 August 2013. The workshop is being organized to commemorate the National Library Day that falls on the same day. More details on this workshop can be obtained from the brochure attached. I have great pleasure in welcoming all my scientific colleagues, technical officers and research students to this Workshop.

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Indian Institute of Spices Research

The Indian Institute of Spices Research (IISR), Calicut is a constituent body of Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) and is a major institute devoted to research on spices. Established in 1975 as a Regional Station of CPCRI, it was upgraded to a full-fledged institute in 1995. It is located in Calicut, a historical city in the Malabar Coast of Kerala where Vasco-da-Gama landed in 1498.

SpiceE-Library, the IISR Library was set up to provide support to research activities of the institute and to function as national information centre for storage, retrieval and dissemination of information on spices and related areas. In recent years the library has evolved as a fully digital one by embarking upon library automation, subscription to e-journals, e-books and online databases with 24 x 7 Wi-Fi internet connectivity. The initiatives like institutional repository named 'D-Spice', AGRI Titbits, SpiceE-books and SpiceE-bibliography have been appreciated by many.

Visit us at <http://www.spices.res.in/elibrary/> for more details.



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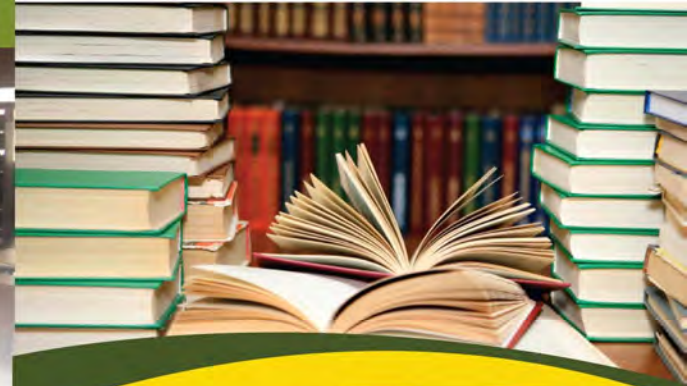
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INFORMATION LITERACY IN THE DIGITAL ERA

**A Workshop to commemorate
the National Library Day**

12 August 2013



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Workshop Introduction

Libraries are facing major transformational change as digital technology fundamentally alters how services are provided, research is conducted, and learning is enabled. They stay on course on the fast-moving information highway, by extending their reach through online journals, digitized archives and e-books.

Information literacy is a basic skill essential for everyone. It is defined as the ability to know when there is a need for information, to be able to identify, locate, evaluate, and effectively use that information for the issue or problem at hand. It supports critical thinking and enables students and obviously the researchers to become self-directed learners. Information literacy encompasses the following set of skills:

- knowing when information is needed;
- finding information efficiently;
- evaluating its quality;
- using it effectively for a purpose; and
- observing ethical use of information

SpiceE-Library, the library at Indian Institute of Spices Research, is committed to providing students and researchers with opportunities to master these skills and competencies which will enable them to succeed in a rapidly changing world. Under the auspices of e-Granth project under NAIP, SpiceE-Library will organize

a one-day workshop on 12 August 2013 for the faculty, librarians and researchers in Kozhikode. The goal is to promote resource-based learning and to equip the library users with skills that will enable them to continue to learn in their discipline.

The workshop will be held on Monday, August 12, 2013 at IISR Silver Jubilee Hall with the following tentative schedule.

09:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

Registration

10.00 a.m. - 11.00 a.m.

Inaugural session

Chief Guest: **Shri. P. Jayarajan**,
Vice-Chairman, Delhi Library Board

11:30 a.m. - 12.30 p.m.

Invited lecture

"Navigating Agricultural Information Resources in the Digital Era" by
Dr. K. Veeranjanyulu, Librarian,
ANGRAU, Hyderabad

12.30 p.m. - 01.00 p.m.

Group discussion

02.00 p.m. - 03.00 p.m.

Invited lecture 'EDS & MyAthens'
by **Shri. D. T. Edwin**, EBSCO Information
Services India Pvt. Ltd., Chennai

03.00 p.m. - 04.30 p.m.

Book exhibition

About eGranth project

'Strengthening of Digital Library and Information Management under NARS (e-GRANTH)' is a subproject under component-1 of National Agricultural Innovation Project (NAIP), ICAR. The project envisages digitizing library resources of different ICAR institutes and agricultural universities and making them publically accessible over internet under NARS with Online Computer Library Center (OCLC) partnership. Other objectives of the project are Implementation of KOHA (an open source library management software) and strengthening of capacity building for library and information management system in all libraries. The expected outcomes of the project are upgradation of partner libraries at par with international libraries, development of an OPAC under "Indian Agricultural Research Group Catalogue" and networking of all NARS libraries to promote inter-institutional collaboration and mutual support among librarians and informaticians of NARS.