



**TWO-DAY INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON LIBRARIANSHIP IN TRANSITION: PROBLEMS, CHALLENGES AND PROSPECTS & XXXVII ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM) OF WBCLA**

**ORGANISED BY**  
**THE WEST BENGAL COLLEGE LIBRARIANS' ASSOCIATION (WBCLA)**  
**IN COLLABORATION WITH VIDYASAGAR METROPOLITAN COLLEGE AND**  
**IN ASSOCIATION WITH VIDYASAGAR COLLEGE, KOLKATA**

**KEYNOTE SPEAKERS**



**CONFERENCE DIRECTOR**  
**DR. ARUN KUMAR CHAKRABORTY,**  
 PROFESSOR, DEPARTMENT OF LIBRARY &  
 INFORMATION SCIENCE, NETAJI SUBHAS OPEN  
 UNIVERSITY, KOLKATA, WEST BENGAL.



**SRI SOMNATH RAHA,**  
 LIBRARIAN (RTD.), VIDYASAGAR COLLEGE,  
 KOLKATA, WB, INDIA.  
 FORMER VICE- PRESIDENT, WBCLA &  
 EX-SENATOR, CU

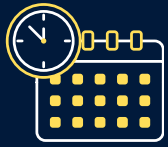


**CHIEF GUEST**  
**Prof. (Dr.) Ajay Pratap Singh,**  
 Director General, National Library of India,  
 Kolkata, West Bengal, India.



**Dr. Nimai Chand Saha**  
 Librarian, Visva-Bharati, Shantiniketan,  
 West Bengal, India

**[CLICK HERE FOR REGISTRATION](#)**



**27-28**  
**JUNE**  
**2026**



Category	Fee (Without Paper)	Fee (With Paper)
WBCLA Members	Rs 1500	Rs 2000
Faculty Members / Librarians	Rs 2000	Rs 2500
Research Scholars	Rs 1000	Rs 1500
Students	Rs 500	Rs 1000
Foreign Participants	\$50	\$60



**VENUE**

**VIDYASAGAR METROPOLITAN COLLEGE AND VIDYASAGAR COLLEGE, LOCATED AT 39 SANKAR GHOSH LANE, KOLKATA -700006.**

**WBCLACONFERENCE@GMAIL.COM**  
**6290336041 / 9831462016**

**REGISTRATION FEE INCLUDES:**

- CONFERENCE KIT
- CERTIFICATE OF PARTICIPATION AND PAPER PRESENTATION
- TEA AND LUNCH
- ACCESS TO CONFERENCE SESSIONS

**THE REGISTRATION FEE MUST BE DEPOSITED INTO THE WBCLA PNB A/C NO. : 1963000101231782**  
**IFSC: PUNB0196300, ACCOUNT TYPE: SAVINGS /MICR CODE: 700024050**

## WEST BENGAL COLLEGE LIBRARIANS' ASSOCIATION (WBCLA)

THE WEST BENGAL COLLEGE LIBRARIANS' ASSOCIATION (WBCLA) WAS ESTABLISHED IN 1962 TO PROMOTE THE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OF COLLEGE LIBRARIANS AND TO MODERNISE ACADEMIC LIBRARIES IN WEST BENGAL SINCE ITS INCEPTION, THE ASSOCIATION HAS BEEN STRIVING TO SAFEGUARD THE OVERALL PROFESSIONAL INTERESTS OF THE COLLEGE LIBRARIANS OF ALL DESCRIPTIONS, AND TO STRENGTHEN THE ACADEMIC LIBRARY SYSTEM WITHIN THE STATE'S HIGHER EDUCATION FRAMEWORK.

AT PRESENT, THE ASSOCIATION WITH 280 WORKING LIBRARIANS AND 35 RETIRED LIBRARIANS CREATES A STRONG PROFESSIONAL COMMUNITY DEDICATED TO THE ADVANCEMENT OF LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCE (LIS) EDUCATION, RESEARCH AND SERVICES.

THE ASSOCIATION HAS ALSO CONSISTENTLY BEEN PLAYING A CRUCIAL ROLE IN ADVOCATING FOR THE PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITION AND SERVICE BENEFITS OF COLLEGE LIBRARIANS. THROUGH SUSTAINED MOVEMENT AND POLICY ADVOCACY, THE ASSOCIATION HAS SIGNIFICANTLY CONTRIBUTED TO ENJOYING UGC PAY SCALES, TEACHERS' STATUS, LEAVE RULES AND OTHER ACADEMIC BENEFITS LIKE THAT OF COLLEGE TEACHERS, WHICH ARE REVEALED IN G.O.NO.-348-EDN (CS)/IC-166L/2005, DATED 24.04.2014 AND OTHER RELEVANT GOVT. ORDERS AND THE WEST BENGAL UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES (ADMINISTRATION AND REGULATION) ACTS, 2017.

IN THIS CONTEXT, IT IS OUR PROUD PRIVILEGE TO MENTION THAT OUR ASSOCIATION IS ONE OF THE INSTITUTIONAL MEMBERS OF THE ALL-INDIA FEDERATION OF UNIVERSITY AND COLLEGE TEACHERS ORGANISATION (AIFUCTO) SINCE 1980, AND WE HAVE BEEN VENTILATING OUR LEGITIMATE DEMANDS USING SUCH AN ALL-INDIA PLATFORM.

IN CONTINUATION OF ITS LONGSTANDING COMMITMENT TO PROFESSIONAL EXCELLENCE AND ACADEMIC ADVANCEMENT, WBCLA IS PROUDLY GOING TO ORGANISE THE TWO-DAY INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE "LIBRARIANSHIP IN TRANSITION: PROBLEMS, CHALLENGES AND PROSPECTS," ALONG WITH ITS XXXVII ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM) AS A PLATFORM TO DELIBERATE ON EMERGING ISSUES, SHARE KNOWLEDGE, AND CAREFULLY PLAN FUTURE DIRECTIONS FOR THE LIBRARY PROFESSION.



### AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

THE MAJOR AIMS AND OBJECTIVES OF WBCLA ARE:

- TO PROMOTE THE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE OF COLLEGE LIBRARIANS.
- TO SAFEGUARD AND ADVOCATE FOR THE SERVICE RIGHTS AND PROFESSIONAL STATUS OF COLLEGE LIBRARIANS.
- TO ENCOURAGE RESEARCH, PUBLICATION, AND SCHOLARLY COMMUNICATION IN THE FIELD OF LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCE.
- TO FACILITATE THE MODERNIZATION AND EFFECTIVE MANAGEMENT OF ACADEMIC LIBRARIES IN HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS.
- TO PROMOTE COOPERATION AND NETWORKING AMONG LIBRARIANS, RESEARCHERS, AND INFORMATION PROFESSIONALS.
- TO ORGANISE SEMINARS, CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS, AND TRAINING PROGRAMMES FOR KNOWLEDGE SHARING AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT.



### PUBLICATIONS

WBCLA HAS A LONG TRADITION OF PROMOTING SCHOLARLY COMMUNICATION THROUGH ITS PUBLICATIONS.

#### 1. "COLLEGE LIBRARIES"

WBCLA HAS BEEN PUBLISHING A PEER-REVIEWED QUARTERLY RESEARCH JOURNAL TITLED "COLLEGE LIBRARIES" SINCE 1983. THE 'COLLEGE LIBRARIES' WAS UNDER THE UGC APPROVED LIST OF JOURNALS FROM JANUARY 2017, AND IT HAD BEEN REPLACED BY A UGC-CARE ENLISTED JOURNAL WITH EFFECT FROM 14<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2019 TO 10<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2025, AND THEREAFTER CONTINUES AS A UGC PEER-REVIEWED CATEGORY JOURNAL. IT SERVES AS AN IMPORTANT PLATFORM FOR THE DISSEMINATION OF RESEARCH AND SCHOLARLY ARTICLES IN LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCE. "COLLEGE LIBRARIES" IS INDEXED IN INDIAN LIBRARY SCIENCE ABSTRACT (ILSA).

#### 2. "COLLEGE GRANTHAGAR"

IN 2024, WBCLA LAUNCHED A PEER-REVIEWED HALF-YEARLY BENGALI INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL, "COLLEGE GRANTHAGAR", TO PROMOTE ACADEMIC WRITING AND RESEARCH IN THE BENGALI LANGUAGE WITHIN THE LIS DISCIPLINE.

#### 3. "WBCLA NEWSLETTER"

THE "WBCLA NEWSLETTER", HAS BEEN PUBLISHING SINCE 1983, PROVIDES UPDATES ON PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES, POLICY DEVELOPMENTS, AND ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE ASSOCIATION AND ITS MEMBERS.

### AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

TO ENCOURAGE QUALITY RESEARCH AND SCHOLARLY WRITING AMONG LIS PROFESSIONALS, WBCLA INTRODUCED THE "BEST ARTICLE AWARD" IN 2010. THE AWARD IS PRESENTED ANNUALLY TO THE AUTHOR OF THE BEST RESEARCH PAPER PUBLISHED IN THE JOURNAL "COLLEGE LIBRARIES" DURING THE YEAR.

### ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

WBCLA REGULARLY ORGANISES A RANGE OF ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL PROGRAMMES TO PROMOTE KNOWLEDGE EXCHANGE AND PROFESSIONAL GROWTH. THESE INCLUDE:

- STATE-LEVEL ANNUAL SEMINAR AND CONFERENCE
  - ZONE-WISE CONFERENCES AND ACADEMIC MEETINGS
  - WORKSHOPS AND TRAINING PROGRAMMES ON EMERGING TRENDS IN LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCE
  - PROFESSIONAL DISCUSSIONS AND POLICY ADVOCACY MEETINGS RELATED TO THE SERVICE CONDITIONS OF LIBRARIANS
- THESE EVENTS PROVIDE VALUABLE PLATFORMS FOR RESEARCHERS, LIBRARIANS, EDUCATORS, AND INFORMATION PROFESSIONALS TO SHARE IDEAS, PRESENT RESEARCH FINDINGS, AND DISCUSS EMERGING ISSUES IN THE FIELD OF ACADEMIC LIBRARIANSHIP.

## VIDYASAGAR COLLEGE, KOLKATA

ESTABLISHED IN 1872 BY THE VISIONARY SOCIAL REFORMER PANDIT ISHWAR CHANDRA VIDYASAGAR, VIDYASAGAR COLLEGE REMAINS A CORNERSTONE OF ACADEMIC AND CULTURAL HERITAGE IN WEST BENGAL, OPERATING UNDER THE GUIDING MOTTO OF "GYAN, TYAG, SEVA." AS A UGC-RECOGNIZED INSTITUTION AFFILIATED WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF CALCUTTA, THE COLLEGE OFFERS A COMPREHENSIVE ACADEMIC PORTFOLIO CONSISTING OF TWENTY-ONE UNDERGRADUATE DEPARTMENTS AND TWO POSTGRADUATE COURSES IN GEOGRAPHY AND ZOOLOGY. THIS ACADEMIC RIGOR IS SUSTAINED BY A ROBUST WORKFORCE OF SEVENTY-FIVE FULL-TIME FACULTY MEMBERS, SIXTY-FIVE STATE-AIDED TEACHERS, AND FORTY-ONE DEDICATED NON-TEACHING STAFF WHO TOGETHER MAINTAIN AN ENRICHING EDUCATIONAL ENVIRONMENT. THE CAMPUS INFRASTRUCTURE IS ANCHORED BY A SIGNIFICANT LIBRARY HOUSING 48,000 VOLUMES AND RARE ARCHIVES, COMPLEMENTED BY A MODERN COMPUTER TRAINING CENTER AND A STRONG COMMITMENT TO SUSTAINABILITY THROUGH SOLAR POWER AND RAINWATER HARVESTING INITIATIVES. BEYOND THE CLASSROOM, THE COLLEGE FOSTERS HOLISTIC DEVELOPMENT THROUGH AN ACTIVE MENTOR-MENTEE SYSTEM, RESEARCH-ORIENTED FACULTY, AND VALUE-ADDED TRANSDISCIPLINARY COURSES THAT CONSISTENTLY PRODUCE UNIVERSITY RANK HOLDERS. STUDENTS BENEFIT FROM COMPREHENSIVE WELFARE FACILITIES, INCLUDING A GYM, CANTEEN, AND MEDICAL SERVICES, WHILE THE PLACEMENT AND CAREER ADVANCEMENT CELL ENSURE A SMOOTH TRANSITION INTO PROFESSIONAL LIFE OR HIGHER STUDIES. EMBODYING ITS FOUNDER'S LEGACY OF SOCIAL SERVICE, THE INSTITUTION'S VIBRANT NSS UNIT ACTIVELY ENGAGES IN COMMUNITY OUTREACH, ENSURING THAT VIDYASAGAR COLLEGE REMAINS A DYNAMIC HUB WHERE TRADITIONAL VALUES AND MODERN INNOVATION INTERSECT UNDER ITS FIRST WOMAN PRINCIPAL.

## VIDYASAGAR METROPOLITAN COLLEGE, KOLKATA

VIDYASAGAR METROPOLITAN COLLEGE, ESTABLISHED IN 1961 AND AFFILIATED WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF CALCUTTA, IS A WELL-KNOWN CO-EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION LOCATED IN NORTH KOLKATA AT 39, SANKAR GHOSH LANE AND 8A, SHIBNARAYAN DAS LANE, KOLKATA - 700006. FORMERLY KNOWN AS VIDYASAGAR EVENING COLLEGE, THE INSTITUTION CARRIES FORWARD THE EDUCATIONAL IDEALS OF THE GREAT SOCIAL REFORMER PANDIT ISHWAR CHANDRA VIDYASAGAR, EMPHASIZING ACCESSIBLE AND INCLUSIVE HIGHER EDUCATION FOR STUDENTS FROM DIVERSE SOCIO-ECONOMIC BACKGROUNDS. THE COLLEGE OFFERS UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMMES IN ARTS, SCIENCE, AND COMMERCE UNDER THE UNIVERSITY OF CALCUTTA. WITH A STRONG ACADEMIC FOUNDATION, THE INSTITUTION IS COMMITTED TO PROMOTING QUALITY EDUCATION, INTELLECTUAL DEVELOPMENT, AND CRITICAL THINKING AMONG STUDENTS. APART FROM ACADEMICS, VIDYASAGAR METROPOLITAN COLLEGE ENCOURAGES STUDENTS TO PARTICIPATE IN VARIOUS CO-CURRICULAR AND EXTENSION ACTIVITIES. UNITS SUCH AS THE NATIONAL SERVICE SCHEME (NSS) ACTIVELY ENGAGE STUDENTS IN SOCIAL SERVICE, COMMUNITY OUTREACH, AND AWARENESS PROGRAMMES, HELPING THEM DEVELOP LEADERSHIP QUALITIES AND SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY. THE COLLEGE ALSO ORGANIZES JOB FAIRS AND CAREER-ORIENTED PROGRAMMES TO SUPPORT STUDENTS IN PLACEMENT OPPORTUNITIES AND CAREER DEVELOPMENT. WITH DEDICATED FACULTY MEMBERS, A SUPPORTIVE ACADEMIC ENVIRONMENT, AND ESSENTIAL FACILITIES SUCH AS A WELL-STOCKED LIBRARY, THE COLLEGE CONTINUES TO UPHOLD THE VALUES OF EDUCATION, SERVICE, AND SOCIAL COMMITMENT WHILE CONTRIBUTING TO THE INTELLECTUAL AND CULTURAL LIFE OF KOLKATA.





#### ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

ACADEMIC LIBRARIES ARE UNDERGOING RAPID TRANSFORMATION DUE TO TECHNOLOGICAL ADVANCEMENTS, CHANGING USER EXPECTATIONS, OPEN ACCESS INITIATIVES, DIGITAL SCHOLARSHIP, AND ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE APPLICATIONS. COLLEGE LIBRARIES, IN PARTICULAR, ARE FACING NEW CHALLENGES IN ADAPTING THEIR SERVICES, INFRASTRUCTURE, AND PROFESSIONAL COMPETENCIES TO THE EVOLVING LANDSCAPE OF HIGHER EDUCATION.

THE PROPOSED INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON LIBRARIANSHIP IN TRANSITION: PROBLEMS, CHALLENGES AND PROSPECTS AIMS TO BRING TOGETHER LIBRARIANS, RESEARCHERS, ACADEMICIANS, INFORMATION PROFESSIONALS, AND POLICYMAKERS TO DISCUSS CONTEMPORARY ISSUES AFFECTING COLLEGE LIBRARIES AND EXPLORE INNOVATIVE STRATEGIES FOR STRENGTHENING ACADEMIC LIBRARY SERVICES.

THE CONFERENCE WILL PROVIDE A PLATFORM FOR SCHOLARLY EXCHANGE, POLICY DISCUSSION, AND COLLABORATIVE LEARNING REGARDING THE FUTURE DIRECTION OF COLLEGE LIBRARIANSHIP IN INDIA.



## Resource Persons:



**Prof. (Dr.) Nevzat Ozel**

*Department of Information and Record Management, Ankara University, Turkey.*



**Dr. Lee Chu Keong**

*Professor, Assistant Chair (Lifelong Learning and International Relations) and programme director of the MSc (Knowledge Management) programme at the Wee Kim Wee School of Communication and Information, Nanyang Technological University in Singapore.*



**Prof. (Dr.) Swapna Banerjee**

*Department of Library & Information Science, University of Calcutta, West Bengal, India*



**Dr. Md. Shariful Islam**

*Professor, DISLM, University of Rajshahi, Bangladesh*



**Prof. (Dr.) Parthasarathi Mukhopadhyay**

*Professor, Department of Library & Information Science, University of Kalyani, West Bengal, India.*



**Prof. (Dr.) Jayanti Rani Basak**

*Professor, Dept. of Information Science & Library Management University of Rajshahi, Bangladesh*



**Prof. (Dr.) K. P. Singh**

*Head of the Department & Professor Department of Library & Information Science Faculty of Arts, II Floor, Tutorial Building University of Delhi*



**Dr. Soumitra Sarkar**

*Librarian (Rtd.), University of Calcutta, Kolkata, India.*



**Prof. (Dr.) Ramesh Chandra Gaur**

*Professor & Dean (Administration), Director & Head- Kala Nidhi Division, Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts Ministry of Culture, Govt. of India*



**Dr. Kishor Chandra Satpathy**

*Chief Librarian, ISI, Kolkata, India*



**Dr. Sushanta Banerjee**

*University Librarian & Head, DLIS, West Bengal State University, Barasat, West Bengal, India*

# Sub-themes of the Conference



The Conference invites research papers, case studies, and conceptual papers from academicians, librarians, information professionals, researchers, and students on the following sub-themes. The indicative areas include, but are not limited to the following:



## 1. PUBLIC LIBRARIES: ROLE, TRANSFORMATION AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

- *Public Libraries as Knowledge Hubs in the Digital Era*
- *Community Information Services and Social Inclusion*
- *Role of Public Libraries in Lifelong Learning and Literacy*
- *Digital Transformation and Smart Library Initiatives*
- *Public Library Policies, Governance and Funding in India*

## 2. INDIAN KNOWLEDGE SYSTEM (IKS) AND KNOWLEDGE PRESERVATION

- *Indigenous Knowledge Systems and Their Contemporary Relevance*
- *Preservation and Digitisation of Traditional Knowledge Resources*
- *Role of Libraries in Promoting IKS*
- *Manuscripts, Archives and Cultural Heritage Management*
- *Integration of IKS in Modern Education and Research*

## 3. LIBRARIES AND NATION BUILDING: VISION OF "VIKSIT BHARAT 2047"

- *Libraries as Catalysts for Knowledge Economy and Innovation*
- *Role of Libraries in Achieving Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)*
- *Digital India, Information Access and Inclusive Growth*
- *Library Services for Skill Development and Employability*
- *Policy Frameworks and Strategic Planning for "Viksit Bharat 2047"*
- *E-Governance and Library Services Integration*

## 4. FOUNDATIONS AND CHANGING PARADIGM OF COLLEGE LIBRARIANSHIP

- *Historical Development of College Libraries*
- *Changing Paradigm of College Librarianship*
- *Role of College Libraries in Higher Education*
- *Changing Nature of Library Users*
- *Future Prospects of College Librarianship*

## 5. DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION AND ICT APPLICATIONS IN COLLEGE LIBRARIES

- *Digital Transformation of Academic Libraries*
- *Role of ICT in Transforming College Libraries*
- *Library Automation and Digital Library Initiatives*
- *Artificial Intelligence and Library Services*
- *IR, Chat- Gpt, LLM*

## 6. COLLECTION DEVELOPMENT, E-RESOURCES AND DIGITAL PRESERVATION

- *Collection Development in the Digital Environment*
- *E-resources Management and Consortia*
- *Open Access Resources and Institutional Repositories*
- *Preservation and Digitization of Library Resources*
- *Library Networking and Resource Sharing*

## 7. USER SERVICES, INFORMATION LITERACY AND RESEARCH SUPPORT

- *User Services in Modern College Libraries*
- *Information Literacy and User Education*
- *Research Support Services in College Libraries*
- *Digital Literacy and Information Literacy Initiatives*

## 8. PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT, SKILLS AND HUMAN RESOURCE ISSUES

- *Professional Development of College Librarians*
- *Future Skills and Competencies for Librarians*
- *Staff Pattern of the College Libraries*

## 9. POLICY ISSUES, PROBLEMS AND CHALLENGES IN THE CONTEMPORARY ERA

- *Policy Issues and Governance of Academic Libraries*
- *Problems Faced by College Libraries at Present*
- *Major Challenges in the Digital Era*

## 10. SOCIAL IMPACT, ETHICS AND KNOWLEDGE EQUITY

- *Libraries and Social Justice: Bridging the Information Divide*
- *Ethical Issues in Knowledge Access and Dissemination*
- *Gender, Rural and Marginalised Community Inclusion*
- *Intellectual Freedom and Right to Information*

## Objectives of the Conference

The main objectives of the Conference are:

- To examine the evolving role of public libraries as inclusive knowledge centres in promoting education, literacy, and community development in the digital age.
- To explore the significance of the Indian Knowledge System (IKS) in preserving indigenous wisdom and integrating it with contemporary education, research, and innovation.
- To analyse the contribution of libraries and information institutions in realising the vision of Viksit Bharat 2047 through knowledge dissemination and capacity building.
- To promote the preservation, digitisation, and accessibility of traditional knowledge resources, including manuscripts, archives, and cultural heritage materials.
- To examine the changing role of college libraries in the digital era
- To identify major problems and challenges faced by College Librarians
- To explore innovative library services and technologies
- To discuss policy issues related to academic libraries and LIS education
- To promote research and professional collaboration among LIS professionals
- To identify future prospects and strategic directions for college libraries

NOTE: PAPERS RELATED TO THE ABOVE THEMES AND OTHER RELEVANT AREAS OF LIBRARIANSHIP ARE ALSO WELCOME.

## CALL FOR PAPERS

The Organising Committee invites research papers, case studies, and conceptual papers from librarians, academicians, researchers, students, and LIS professionals. Papers must be written in English or Bengali, and the subject area must be in the field of Library and Information Science (LIS) only. The paper must be original and unpublished and include the author's declaration mentioning the sub theme unit number.

## SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

### ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

- AN INFORMATIVE ABSTRACT NOT EXCEEDING 250 WORDS, WITH A MAXIMUM OF EIGHT KEYWORDS ARRANGED ALPHABETICALLY

### FULL PAPER SUBMISSION

- TWO COPIES OF THE RESEARCH PAPER (MS WORD AND PDF), MAXIMUM 3000 WORDS, TYPED IN TIMES NEW ROMAN
- MARGINS: 2.5 CM ON ALL SIDES
- LINE SPACING: 1.5
- FONT SIZE: TITLE: 14 (BOLD), REST OF THE PAPER: 12

### PLAGIARISM POLICY

- EACH PAPER MUST INCLUDE A PLAGIARISM TEST REPORT. THE SIMILARITY INDEX MUST BE LESS THAN 10% BY USING STANDARD SOFTWARE SUCH AS TURNITIN / DRILLBIT / ITHENTICATE, ETC.

### REFERENCE STYLE

- REFERENCES MUST FOLLOW APA STYLE, 7TH EDITION. ALL IN-TEXT CITED REFERENCES MUST BE LISTED ALPHABETICALLY IN THE REFERENCE SECTION. REFERENCES SHOULD NOT EXCEED THE NUMBER OF IN-TEXT CITATIONS

### PUBLICATION OPPORTUNITY

- SELECTED PAPERS WILL BE PUBLISHED IN THE CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS OR EDITED VOLUME WITH AN ISBN AFTER THE CONFERENCE IS OVER.

Activity	Dates
Last Date for Abstract Submission	30.05.2026
Acceptance of Abstract	02.06.2026
Full Paper Submission Deadline	15.06.2026
Registration Deadline (With paper)	15.06.2026
Registration Deadline (Without paper)	20.06.2026
Date of Conference	27th & 28th June 2026

PAPER SUBMISSION EMAIL

ID:WBCLACONFERENCE@GMAIL.COM

N.B: NO PAPER WILL BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT PRIOR  
REGISTRATION

## Accommodation

Assistance will be provided to outstation participants, at their own cost, in arranging accommodation at nearby guesthouses and hotels in Kolkata. Participants who require accommodation are requested to inform the Organising Committee well in advance to facilitate the necessary arrangements.

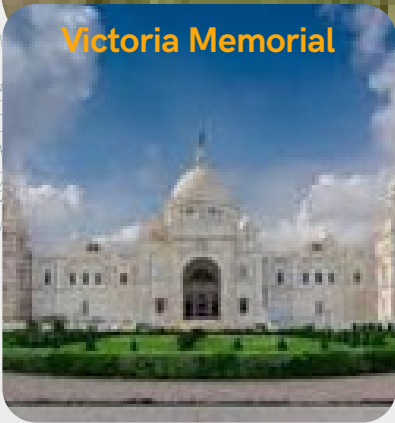
## Weather

The end of June in Kolkata marks the active monsoon season. While the 2026 seasonal outlook points toward a potentially weaker or "patchy" start to the monsoon in East India due to evolving El Niño conditions, you can still expect significant humidity and frequent rain. Temperature: Daily highs are projected to be around 31°C to 34°C (88°F–93°F), with overnight lows near 27°C (81°F). Real Feel: High humidity levels (averaging 81–82%) will likely make the daytime heat feel much more intense, often exceeding 40°C (104°F). Rainfall: There is a 66–67% probability of precipitation on these specific days. Localised thunderstorms or "Kalbaishakhi"-style evening rain are common during this transition.

### You may Visit

1. Victoria Memorial, 2. St. Paul's Cathedral, 3. Indian Museum, 4. Kalighat Temple, 5. Howrah Bridge & Hooghly River, 6. Princep Ghat, 7. Dakshineswar Kali Mandir, 8. Belur Math, 9. Jorasanko, 10. Mother's House, 11. Vivekananda Ancestral House, Shimla, 12. Residence of great freedom fighter, Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose, Known as "Netaji Bhavan" at Elgine Road, Kolkata - 20, etc.

Victoria Memorial



St. Paul's Cathedral



Indian Museum



Kalighat Temple



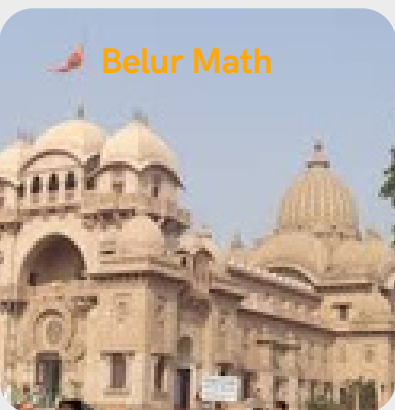
Princep Ghat



Dakshineswar Kali Mandir



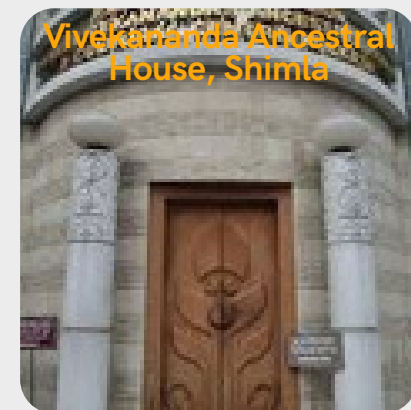
Belur Math



Mother's House



Vivekananda Ancestral House, Shimla



## INTERNATIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

PROF. (DR.) NEVZAT OZEL, DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION AND RECORD MANAGEMENT, ANKARA UNIVERSITY, TURKEY. CHAIRMAN  
DR. LEE CHU KEONG, PROFESSOR, ASSISTANT CHAIR (LIFELONG LEARNING AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS) AND PROGRAMME DIRECTOR OF THE MSc (KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT) PROGRAMME AT THE WEE KIM WEE SCHOOL OF COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION, NANYANG TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY IN SINGAPORE, SINGAPORE.  
PROF. EZRA SHILOBA GBAJE (PH.D), PROFESSOR, DEPARTMENT OF LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCE, FEDERAL UNIVERSITY LOKOJA, NIGERIA.  
DR. MD. SHARIFUL ISLAM, PROFESSOR, DISLM, UNIVERSITY OF RAJSHAHI, BANGLADESH.  
DR. JAYANTI RANI BASAK, PROFESSOR, DISLM, UNIVERSITY OF RAJSHAHI, BANGLADESH.  
DR. MD. AZIZUR RAHAMAN, ADDL. LIBRARIAN, JKKNIU, MOYMONSINGH, BANGLADESH.  
BEGAM DIL RUKSANA BASUNIA, DEPUTY LIBRARIAN, CHATTAGRAM UNIVERSITY, BANGLADESH

## NATIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

DR. PIJUSHKANTI PANIGRAHI, PROFESSOR, DLIS, UNIVERSITY OF CALCUTTA, KOLKATA, WB, INDIA. CHAIRMAN  
DR. K.P. SINGH, PROFESSOR, DLIS, UNIVERSITY OF DELHI, NEW DELHI, INDIA.  
PROF. (DR.) ARUN KUMAR, GENERAL SECRETARY, AIFUCTO.  
MR. SOMNATH RAHA, LIBRARIAN (RTD.), VIDYASAGAR COLLEGE. INDIA AND EX- SENATOR, UNIVERSITY OF CALCUTTA.  
DR. SOUMITRA SARKAR, LIBRARIAN(RTD.), UNIVERSITY OF CALCUTTA, KOLKATA, INDIA.  
SRI DILIP KR ROY, LIBRARIAN(RTD.), K.D. COLLEGE OF COMMERCE AND EX-PRESIDENT, WBCLA, INDIA.  
SRI ARUN KUMAR GHATAK, LIBRARIAN(RTD.), DESHBANDHU COLLEGE FOR GIRLS & FORMER GENERAL SECRETARY, WBCLA, INDIA.  
SRI BALAI LALBASU, LIBRARIAN (RTD.), KHALISANI MAHAVIDYALAYA AND EX- GENERAL SECRETARY, WBCLA, WB, INDIA.  
PROF. (DR.) SWAPNA BANERJEE, PROFESSOR, DLIS, UNIVERSITY OF CALCUTTA, WEST BENGAL, INDIA  
DR. NABI HASAN, LIBRARIAN, IIT DELHI, NEW DELHI, INDIA.  
DR. BABLU SUTRADHAR, LIBRARIAN, IIT KHARAGPUR, WB, INDIA.  
DR. SABUJ KUMAR CHOUDHURY, PROFESSOR, DLIS, UNIVERSITY OF CALCUTTA, KOLKATA, WB, INDIA.  
PROF. (DR.) MARGAM MADHUSUDHAN, PROFESSOR, DEPARTMENT OF LIBRARY & INFORMATION SCIENCE, DELHI UNIVERSITY, DELHI  
PROF. (DR.) PARTHASARATHI MUKHOPADHYAY, PROFESSOR, DLIS, UNIVERSITY OF KALYANI, WEST BENGAL  
PROF. (DR.) SUBARNA KUMAR DAS, PROFESSOR, DLIS, JADAVPUR UNIVERSITY, WEST BENGAL.  
DR. NEMAI CHAND SAHA, LIBRARIAN, VISVA-BHARATI, SANTINIKETAN, WB, INDIA.  
DR. KISHOR CHANDRA SATPATHY, CHIEF LIBRARIAN, ISI, KOLKATA, INDIA.  
DR. SIBSANKAR JANA, PROFESSOR, DEPARTMENT OF LIBRARY & INFORMATION SCIENCE, UNIVERSITY OF KALYANI, WEST BENGAL.  
DR. RAMESH C GAUR, PROFESSOR AND DEAN, IGNOU, NEW DELHI, INDIA.  
DR. SUDHIER K G PILLAI, ASSISTANT PROFESSOR, DEPARTMENT OF LIBRARY & INFORMATION SCIENCE, CENTRAL UNIVERSITY OF TAMIL NADU  
DR. SUDHIR KUMAR JENA, LIBRARIAN, INDIAN INSTITUTE OF MANAGEMENT, SHILLONG, MEGHALAYA  
PROF. (DR.) DURGA SHANKAR RATH, PROFESSOR, DEPARTMENT OF LIBRARY & INFORMATION SCIENCE, VIDYASAGAR UNIVERSITY, WB, INDIA  
PROF. (DR.) SAPTARSHI GHOSH, PROFESSOR, DEPARTMENT OF LIBRARY & INFORMATION SCIENCE, UNIVERSITY OF NORTH BENGAL, WB, INDIA.  
DR. KANCHAN KAMILA, UNIVERSITY LIBRARIAN, UNIVERSITY OF BURDWAN, WEST BENGAL, INDIA.  
DR. SUSHANTA BANERJEE, UNIVERSITY LIBRARIAN & HEAD, DLIS, WESTBENGAL STATE UNIVERSITY, BARASAT, WEST BENGAL, INDIA.  
DR. SANKU BILAS ROY, JOINT CHIEF LIBRARIAN, JADAVPUR UNIVERSITY, KOLKATA, INDIA.  
DR. PRAJNARANJAN DATTA BACHASPATI, LIBRARIAN (RTD.),VIDYASAGAR METROPOLITAN COLLEGE, KOLKATA.  
SMT.PRAVATI DASGUPTA,LIBRARIAN (RTD.), RAJA NL KHAN WOMENS'COLLEGE, WB, INDIA.  
SRI JADUPATI DAS, LIBRARIAN (RTD.),SUNDARBANHAZI DESARATCOLLEGE, WB, INDIA.  
SRI BISWAJIT MITRA, LIBRARIAN (RETD), SUNDARBAN HAZI DESARATH COLLEGE,WB  
SRI RAMESH CHANDRA BISWAS, LIBRARIAN (RTD.),G M S M MAHAVIDYALAYA, WB, INDIA  
DR. GOURI SHANKAR KARMAKAR, DEPUTY LIBRARIAN, GU, ASSAM, INDIA.  
DR. CHAMPESWAR MISHRA, DEPUTY LIBRARIAN, TU, TRIPURA, INDIA.  
SRI SUDHIR KR. KARMAKAR, LIBRARIAN (RTD.),SUSHIL KAR COLLEGE, WB, INDIA.  
SRI ARUN KR. DAS, LIBRARIAN (RTD.),CALCUTTA GIRLS' BT COLLEGE, WB, INDIA.  
SMT ANURADHA ROY, LIBRARIAN (RTD.),GOKHEL MEMORIAL GIRLS COLLEGE, WB, INDIA.  
SRI ARUN MUKHERJEE, LIBRARIAN (RTD.),NETAJI MAHAVIDYALAYA, HOOGHLY, WB, INDIA.  
DR JAYASREE CHATTERJEE, LIBRARIAN (RTD.),KHUDIRAM BOSE CENTRAL COLLEGE, WB, INDIA.  
SRI MALAY KRISHNA BHATTACHARYA, LIBRARIAN (RTD.),RABIN MUKHERJEE MAHAVIDYALAYA, AND EX- GENERAL SECRETARY, WBCLA.  
SRI RANAJIT KR HAZRA, LIBRARIAN (RTD.), ACHARYA PRAFULLA CHANDRA COLLEGE AND EX-PRESIDENT, WBCLA.  
MISS KALPA MAZUMDER, LIBRARIAN (RTD.), GURUDAS COLLEGE, WB, INDIA.  
DR. KABITA MUKHERJEE, EX-PRESIDENT, WEST BENGAL COLLEGE LIBRARIANS' ASSOCIATION, WB, INDIA.  
DR. NITAI ROYCHOUHDURY, LIBRARIAN, CITY COLLEGE, WB, INDIA.  
SRI SUBIR DAS, DY LIBRARIAN, VCKV, NADIA AND EX- GENERAL SECRETARY, WBCLA, WB, INDIA.  
DR. AVIJIT CHAKRABORTY, LIBRARIAN, MAHARAJA SHRISH CHANDRA COLLEGE AND EX- GENERAL SECRETARY, WBCLA, WB, INDIA.  
DR. TAPAN BARUI, ASSISTANT PROFESSOR, DEPARTMENT OF LIBRARY & INFORMATION SCIENCE, UNIVERSITY OF NORTH BENGAL, WB, INDIA.  
DR. ASISH BISWAS, DEPUTY LIBRARIAN, DU, NEW DELHI, INDIA.  
SRI ARUN KR ADITYA, LIBRARIAN (RTD.), SRIKRISHNA COLLEGE, NADIA, WB, INDIA.  
SRI SAGARMOY ADHIKARI, LIBRARIAN (RTD.),SANTIPUR COLLEGE. NADIA, WB, INDIA.  
SMT ATREYI CHAUDHURY, LIBRARIAN (RTD.),SAROJINI NAIDU GIRLS' COLLEGE, WB, INDIA.  
DR. DEBASISH PRADHAN, LIBRARIAN,ST. JOSEPH COLLEGE, DARJEELING, WB, INDIA.





## CHIEF PATRONS

**DR. RABINDRANATH KAR**  
PRESIDENT  
WBCLA, KOLKATA, INDIA

**DR. ARGHYA SARKAR**  
PRINCIPAL  
VIDYASAGAR METROPOLITAN COLLEGE, KOLKATA

**DR. NATASA DASGUPTA**  
PRINCIPAL  
VIDYASAGAR COLLEGE, KOLKATA

### CONFERENCE DIRECTOR

**DR. ARUN KUMAR CHAKRABORTY, PROFESSOR, DEPARTMENT OF LIBRARY & INFORMATION SCIENCE, NETAJI SUBHAS OPEN UNIVERSITY, KOLKATA, WEST BENGAL.**

### CHIEF GUEST

**PROF. (DR.) AJAY PRATAP SINGH, DIRECTOR GENERAL, NATIONAL LIBRARY OF INDIA, KOLKATA, WEST BENGAL, INDIA.**

### RAPPORTEUR GENERAL

**SRI PANKAJ KUMAR JANA, VICE PRESIDENT, WBCLA.  
DR. SANTOSH KUMAR TUNGA, VICE PRESIDENT, WBCLA.**

### CONVENER

**DR. SANAT KUMAR BISWAS, GENERAL SECRETARY, WBCLA.**

### ORGANISING SECRETARY

**SRI SATYABRATA SAHOO**  
JOINT SECRETARY, WBCLA

**DR. RAJA BISWAS**  
LIBRARIAN

**SRI SUMIT KUMAR MANNA**  
LIBRARIAN

**DR. ARPITA DUTTA (DEY)**  
LIBRARIAN

**VIDYASAGAR COLLEGE, KOLKATA**

**SRI PULAK RANJAN NASKAR**  
LIBRARIAN

**VIDYASAGAR METROPOLITAN COLLEGE, KOLKATA**

### ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

**DR. RABINDRANATH KAR, CHAIRMAN  
DR. ARGHYA SARKAR, PRINCIPAL, VIDYASAGAR METROPOLITAN COLLEGE, KOLKATA  
DR. NATASA DASGUPTA, PRINCIPAL, VIDYASAGAR COLLEGE, KOLKATA  
DR. NEVZAT OZEL, CHAIRMAN, INTERNATIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
DR. PIJUSHKANTI PANIGRAHI, CHAIRMAN, NATIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
DR. ARUN KUMAR CHAKRABARTY, CONFERENCE DIRECTOR  
SRI PANKAJ KUMAR JANA, RAPPORTEUR GENERAL  
DR. SANTOSH KUMAR TUNGA, RAPPORTEUR GENERAL  
DR. PRANATI SINHA, ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR, VIDYASAGAR METROPOLITAN COLLEGE, KOLKATA.  
DR NIRMALENDU MUKHOTI ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR COORDINATOR, IQAC, VIDYASAGAR COLLEGE  
DR. SANAT KUMAR BISWAS, CONVENER  
MR. SATYABRATA SAHOO, JT. CONVENER  
MR. MINTU HALDER, TREASURER  
DR. RAJA BISWAS, ORGANIZING SECRETARY  
MR. SUMIT KUMAR MANNA, ORGANIZING SECRETARY  
MR. PULAK RANJAN NASKAR, ORGANIZING SECRETARY  
DR. ARPITA DUTTA (DEY), ORGANIZING SECRETARY  
CONVENERS OF ALL SUB- COMMITTEES.**

### CONTACT FOR COMMUNICATION

**DR. SANAT KUMAR BISWAS  
GENERAL SECRETARY, WEST BENGAL COLLEGE LIBRARIANS' ASSOCIATION  
UDAY VILLA, 4TH FLOOR  
HOLDING No. 59/1/4, 51/33 HAKALI COLONY  
SOUTH DUM DUM, KOLKATA - 700074  
WEBSITE: [HTTPS://WBCLA.IN/](https://wbcla.in/)  
EMAIL: [WBCLA1962@GMAIL.COM](mailto:WBCLA1962@GMAIL.COM)**

**WBCLACONFERENCE@GMAIL.COM (FOR PAPER SUBMISSION)**

**MOBILE: 6290336041 / 9831462016 / 8348017157 / 8961028475**