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Empowering India's Development through Library and Information Literacy

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Abstract

In the current era of information technology, both traditional and modern types of reading materials are increasing in libraries. Information technology has also an impact on the library information center. New technology has a positive impact on many aspects of information tools, information management, information services. Information explosion, information complexity, information pollution has occurred in society. Obtaining accurate information and using it has become a challenge. This research article has tried to explain how important library and information literacy and its importance for the developing nation

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Introduction

Currently, the terms information and artificial intelligence have become popular. Increased the speed of information creation. Libraries and information centers store diverse information because this knowledge and information is very useful for society. Library is the soul of educational institutions. High quality educational institutions must have a library and information center of the same quality.

The over-availability of library and information resources has confused the user and raised the question of how to utilize the right and accurate information. It is now becoming necessary to create an information literate reader.

It is necessary to check how to find information, where to get it and whether the information obtained is true. This reliability is important. The reliability of information is important. Only information that increases the knowledge and understanding of the reader becomes useful. Information literacy develops all these qualities in the reader.

This project enables researchers and practitioners to analyze the information and reading materials available to them to solve problems in society, as it is necessary to collect and distribute information. Library and information literacy skills are the ability of the reader to identify appropriate information and rational knowledge.

Library and Information Literacy

The contemporary scholar is immersed in a vast of information. Books, magazines, websites, social media, artificial intelligence, etc. Many types of information sources are available today. Information literacy skills save the reader from drowning in all this information flood.

The benefits of library and information literacy skills are as follows

1. Information is accessed quickly and time is saved.
2. Information can be verified for its authenticity and reliability
3. Information can be used accurately and safely for innovation
4. Information sources are understood and information can be shared quickly.

It is not only important to come to the library and information center to read books, but also to become independent, responsible and aware citizens. In this era of data, information has emerged as a power.

Library and Information Literacy Definitions

Definitions of Library and information literacy are as follows,

1. According to American Library Association report, "Library and information literacy is the ability to use information resources and content technologies to find evaluate, create and communicate information. Requiring both cognitive and technique skills."

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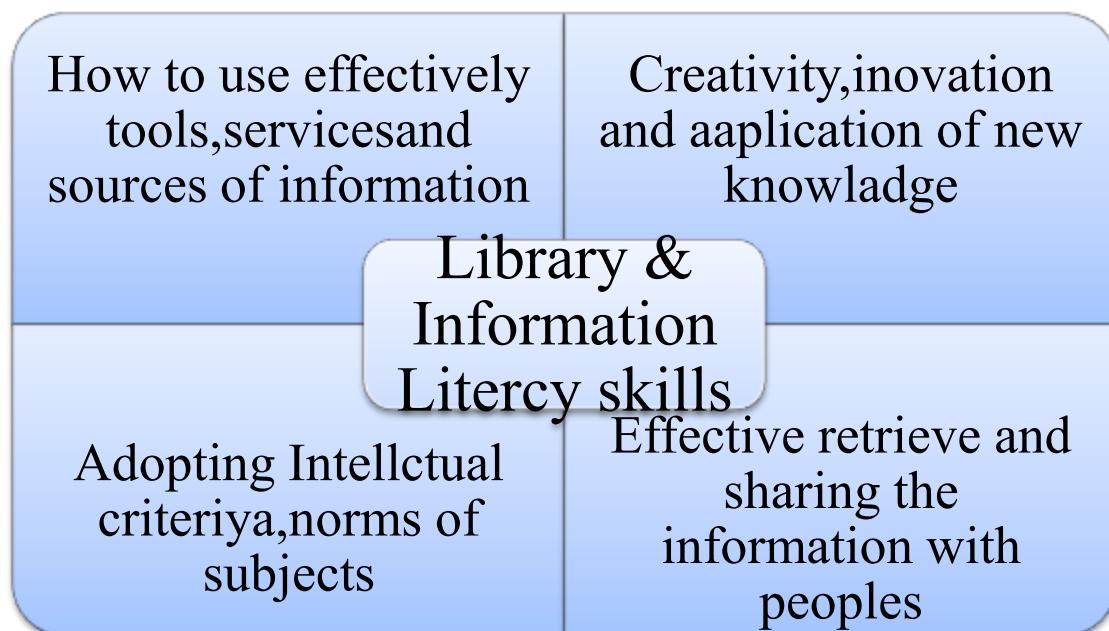
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2. According to International Federation Library Associations special committee report," Basic technique skills, ability to search information and performs the tasks to harness the potential of information age."

Information literacy is expected to make effective use of multiple information resources such as reference books, serial books, computer and internet based new information resources in libraries and information centers. Overall, information literacy skills are very useful in how to use new information sources and techniques correctly and efficiently and in retrieving qualitative information. Since information is power, it is expected that information will be used at the highest level in education, research and training of any nation. The contribution of information services in the progress of the nation is very valuable.

Objectives of Library and Information Literacy

Offline traditional reading materials and materials searched with the help of computers and the Internet such as searching in this mail or blog application software and editing systems are essential for the reader to have an evaluative study for the educational purpose of action. Information literacy skills guide the reader in this regard. Analyzing information, economic, social and legal issues will not be a barrier to using information. Information literacy teaches the reader how to use educational and research content that is ethically and legally appropriate. Such training is organized in libraries and information centers because due to the information explosion and information pollution, it is important to implement such programs systematically. It is essential today for any nation to make effective use of education and information services in the field of research and extension because it is important to understand the changing global situation and challenges based on information and solve the country's problems.



The role of libraries in information literacy

There is a huge amount of information available. New technologies like artificial intelligence are opportunities for readers but there are also some challenges. In this above situation, it is necessary to create a scholar who is equipped with information skills and techniques in the society. Libraries and information centers are playing a central role in all these information literacy processes. It is clear that effective use of traditional and modern information tools is happening in the society due to this information literacy.

1. Library staff should acquire information literacy skills, techniques and tools.
2. Promote and disseminate information literacy initiatives in educational institutions.
3. Learn how to effectively use new information tools by partnering at the institutional level.
4. Create awareness among scholars and researchers about information literacy initiatives.
5. Implement information literacy identification and other complementary activities for library members.

The ever-increasing range of study materials and the library staff are constantly learning about them. The role of the information center is important in ensuring that library members are satisfied with the use of these materials and achieve their educational goals. Information literacy initiatives can definitely meet the above-mentioned needs of the readers.

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Here are some important information literacy skills for library users

1. Information literacy is the foundation of information retrieval.
2. Online training in a group setting.
3. Promoting innovation and research.

4. Exploring the content of multimedia information.
5. Being sure of the exact information needed.
6. Knowledge of standards and samples is needed.
7. Logical reasoning skills are needed in the library assistant.
8. Coordination should be established in information centers at all levels.

Conclusion

The academic libraries realized the importance of information literacy and its role in the curriculum. In other countries various models of information literacy have been developed in their college and universities. Information literacy needs to be recognized not simply as computer literacy or the ability to use it technology but also information literacy improves capabilities of user to find and evaluate, the digital resources and create new ideas. Make the decisions and use of information to solve the problems.

The importance of library and information literacy is to create ability among users to use and understand how new technologies and new media work giving us the chance actively live in our society.

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