



BLA CENTENARY CELEBRATION – PURBA BARDHAMAN DISTRICT

One Day National Seminar on

“Recent Trends in Library towards Knowledge Resource Centre: Emphasis on Standards and Benchmarking of Library Functions & Services”



Organized by

The Bengal Library Association



In collaboration with

Maharajadhiraj Uday Chand Women's College, Purba Bardhaman (WB)

Date: July 13, 2025 (Sunday)

Time: 9.00 AM – 5.00 PM

Venue: MUC Women's College Auditorium, Purba Bardhaman

About the Seminar:

In the rapidly evolving landscape of information services, libraries play a crucial role in providing structured and accessible knowledge to diverse user groups. The effectiveness and efficiency of library services depend significantly on well-defined standards, protocols, and benchmarking mechanisms. This seminar aims to explore the significance of standardization in library services, focusing on various themes that contribute to quality assurance, operational efficiency, digital transformation, accessibility, and international alignment. The need for global benchmarking and standardized protocols has become more pronounced as libraries transition towards digital platforms. By setting clear quality standards, implementing operational protocols, ensuring accessibility, and aligning with national and international standards, libraries can enhance their role in the knowledge ecosystem.

The Focus of the Seminar:

- To examine the importance of quality standards in library services and their alignment with international benchmarks.
- To explore policies and standardized protocols that ensure efficient library management and operations.
- To analyze the role of technological standards in digital library services and information preservation.
- To discuss accessibility and equity standards to ensure inclusive library services.
- To assess the harmonization of national and international library standards and modernization trends.
- To provide a platform for professionals to share best practices and innovative approaches in standardizing library services.

Thematic Sessions (Sub-themes):

1. Implication of increasing Information and Communication Technology to transform Research, Teaching and Scholarly Communication
2. Standards and Benchmarking of Library Functions & Services
3. Protocols for Library Management and Operations
4. Library Services in Digital Platforms and Technological Standards
5. Accessibility and Equity Standards
6. Alignment of Libraries with National and International Standards
7. Any other relevant topics

Resource Persons:

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Registration Details:

Registration link: <https://forms.gle/rB3RvjWVQPxxqrisbA>

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Important Dates:

Last Date of Full Paper Submission: 06.07.2025

Notification for Acceptance of Paper: 07.07.2025

Last Date of PPT Submission (10-12 slides): 12.07.2025

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