

WEBSITES OF WORLD WIDE NATIONAL LIBRARIES: AN EVALUATION

**A Report of
MINOR RESEARCH PROJECT**

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10. OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT

- 1) To navigate the internet and find out the web sites of Worldwide National Libraries.
- 2) To search out the home pages of national libraries.
- 3) To collect the regarding the structure and content of national libraries.
- 4) To compare the structure and content of the websites to similar national libraries.
- 5) To rank of ten national Libraries of worldwide based on their library web pages.
- 6) To compile the directory of the websites of national libraries studied.

11. WHETHER OBJECTIVES WERE : ACHIEVED (GIVE DETAILS)

All the objectives proposed for this project have been achieved and detailed have been discussed in the chapter of analysis and the conclusion.

12. ACHIEVEMENTS FROM THE : PROJECT

The project would provide entire information containing bibliographic presentation with limited field for study access by users. It would also gather collective data of several national libraries websites & home pages.

It is studied that basically library home pages shows information about the National Library, the online information services, information about its activities and To know To know the links to relevant important sites.

- 1) Research Paper Entitled "Internet and Web Technology Best Services in Library" published in "Imprints" A Peer Reviewed Interdisciplinary Annual Journal of Arts & Social Sciences Research Academic Cell 2014-15 ISSN 2231-4199 pages 101-109.

13. SUMMARY OF THE FINDINGS : (IN 500 WORDS)

Various national libraries were selected for the study. The national libraries websites/WebPages were evaluated by using the criteria site access, contact detail, authority, currency, content coverage and easy of navigation. The summary of the findings drawn from the study are,

The authenticity of the website is decided from the statement of authority provided in the home page of national libraries, authority statement include following criteria author, designer, maintenance and copy right. The home page should serve of an excellent menu page for the visitor; it should help the visitor to move quickly to what they need. The national libraries home page of the provided the criteria of the content coverage, welcome, History, About us, Content, Site map, FAQ, Publication, Administration, News / Events, Exhibitions, Services & Collection, Key Word Search, Help, OPAC, Copy right, Feedback etc.

Easy of navigation is the important criteria for evaluation of the website.

Date of the last updating of the website decides the currency of the information included in the webpage of the national libraries; also frequency should be mentioned on the home page.

Provision of the contact details on national libraries home pages in the form of separate contact link is commonly observed. Good national libraries webpage should be cover the latest information about the library. The national libraries home page should also covered other link to related website. National libraries are usually notable for their size, compared to that of other libraries in the same country. Some states which are not independent, but who wish to preserve their particular culture, have established a national library with all the attributes of such institutions, such as legal deposits.

Many national libraries cooperate within the National Libraries Section of the international federation of library association and institution to discuss their common tasks, define and promote common standards and carry out projects helping them to fulfill their duties. National libraries of several countries participate in their library this is a service of The Conference of their National Librarians.

14. CONTRIBUTION TO THE SOCIETY:

(GIVE DETAILS)

Libraries have a unique role to play in disseminating knowledge about their collections and services. The information society offers you new possibilities to do this. To seize the opportunity, user need to act in collaboration with it. It would focus on to know about uses of information with internet and different types of the websites design. The most important facts that it would help the new users, researchers, professional and library students, faculties, who search the national library of any country. It is useful to know, to provide necessary steps of provide the information to the client to make aware of the information that is available on web pages of national libraries.