

## STUDY ON PRAYAS JAN SHIKSHAN SANSTHAN (PJSS) LIBRARY AND THEIR IMPORTANCE

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### **Abstract**

*This library has been offering conventional literacy services like in house consultant facility, reference service, inter library reading and act as a reference center for various scientific and technical information need of R&D institution of the country. Almost all the housekeeping routines of library are in the process of being computerized using KPTRON software. Beside this is bring out a computerized bi- out kit ,list of additions to the library. As a first step in planning process it is desirable to formulate a model for computerized information system being maintained on a manual basis by the library. In this process IJJ library has done acquisition-cataloging circulation of books and serial control in computer. Computerized Acquisition*

**Key words:** literacy, scientific, technical information.

### **INTRODUCTION**

Under the aegis of the ministry of Human Resource & Development, Government of India, the Prayas Juvenile Aid Center Society the mother NGO has created another Society called the Jan Shikshan Sansthan. Prayas 2000. The ministry of HRD dovetailing it with National Literacy Programme and other activities has drafted JSS. It may be explained at this point that the non-formal/ alternative program targets children in especially difficult circumstances who have never been to school or those who have dropped out of school for various reasons. Prayas views alternative education as a first step towards mainstreams schooling. Presently nearly 7000 deprived options like non-formal education, vocational education National Open School System and Jan Shikshan Sansthan.

**Community Programme (CP):-**

Prayas emphasizes the recruitments and induction of educators for its AE Program from the community itself. Prayas organizes training courses and workshops to orient its staff to responds to the changing needs of the communities, field staff, library and others.

**Material and method****Prayas Library:- Community Vachanarya and National Open Schooling (C.Lib & NIOS)**

This Pioneering Project was taken up by Prayas in the year 1998 in collaboration with the Rajiv Gandhi Foundation to inculcate reading habits in the slum communities until date a total of 14 such libraries have been set up by Prayas slowly but surely this facility is increasingly being used by the children as well as people of all age group of the slum community. In the process the Project also makes a shuttle but significant contribution to the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan.

Special features of these libraries comprise the presence of a book bank with facility of lending books to the members. The book bank possesses a large number of reference book, Journals, research reports, children educational aids and textbooks for National Open School students. The library also maintains newspaper clipping on various issues related to child welfare and child development started with the initial assistance of Rajiv Gandhi Foundation. The Project has also been founded by the Krishna. Bihari Vajpayee Trust Directorate of education, Govt. of India and NORAD. In this Project Prayas run 61 libraries in India and 20 in Delhi. The objective of running library programme at different NFE centers of Prayas is Primarily aimed at growth of children's development needless to mention is here that the library programme is going on hand to hand with our NFE and other slum based activities. Initially RGF, KBVT, and Director of education and room to read found this project. The main objectives of setting up Prayas libraries at different centers are:

- ❖ Providing a congenial reading atmosphere.
- ❖ Promoting reading habits for enhancing serial awareness on specific issues.
- ❖ Making a variety of books and magazines available to the children in the slums as well as the people in the community.

- ❖ Entering to the needs of the community on different serial relevant issues building awareness on issues, providing an opportunity to the community to enter discussions on issues related to their social life.
- ❖ Affecting the day-to-day life of the people.
- ❖ Help to research on their subject (national & international researches).
- ❖ To provide information through the Internet to researches all over the world.
- ❖ Role of Prayas librarian

In the Prayas librarian plays a very crucial & significant role because of the simple reason that is considered as sources of information. This role is just not confined to the management of the library, but also to share of that information, affecting the day-to-day life of the people in slums. In matter of education the librarian plays the role of a guide.

### **IJJ library**

The library at its central office, known as institute of JJ library is main library of Prayas. This is special plus public library. Prayas library serve the population of the community free of charge. So it is a public library, but it has also special library because Prayas IJJ library has special subjects. This library fulfills the researchers and general public. Researchers are come from all over India as well as Germany, Japan, U.K, etc.

The children of Prayas shelter home for girls' regular use this library. Needless to mention here the generous support from KBBT and NORAD library funds. This library certain policy document of government, several workshops and seminar reports, on reports children. Only IJJ library has computerization.

### **Types of acquisition in IJJ library**

This library contains books (story books both Hindi & English, research monograph on different subjects), magazines, journals newspaper clipping and children educational aids it covers different subject for research like child labour needers, child delinquency, juvenile justice, child abuse, child trafficking, health and HIV AIDS, gender studies and other social science subjects.

**Nature of Job**

This library has different type mode in every day like newspaper clipping, circulation classification and cataloging accessioning once a month this library given training to other community libraries.

**IJJ library at glance**

Type of user	
No of user	
Collections of books	
Reports	
Magazines	
Newsletters	
Newspapers	

**Computerized Management in Prayas Library**

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**Computerization programme**

Almost all the housekeeping routines of library are in the process of being computerized using KPTRON software. Beside this is bring out a computerized bi-out kit ,list of additions to the library.

**Prayas IJJ library housekeeping management**

As a first step in planning process it is desirable to formulate a model for computerized information system being maintained on a manual basis by the library.

- ❖ In this process IJJ library has done acquisition-cataloging circulation of books and serial control in computer.
- ❖ Computerized Acquisition

Prayas IJJ library documents can be acquired through gift, exchange, purchase and membership of societies and other organization. The success of the purchasing policy is determined by measuring the speed and efficiency of acquisition. Acquisition work has done in computer. The chose bookseller or distributor through net.

### **IJJ cataloging process in computer**

Catalogue is an important operation. The catalogue process involves including, classification, description of documents. Vocabulary control and arrangement and presentation of information regarding documents in a helpful way. These cataloging standards such as AACR2. Computer based cataloguing system can be corned and in-base system computerized classification they are DDC. They also computerized printed catalogue card.

### **Conclusion**

Circulation control system a library is to provide information about the documents borrowed the names and addresses of borrower, the loan scheme under which each document has been lent and overdue documents has been lent and overdue documents change to be levied and reservation to be made. IJJ library functions are:

- ❖ Maintaining records of library users eligible to borrow book.
- ❖ Checking the records of library documents.
- ❖ Production of mailing list labels.
- ❖ Notification of delinquent borrowers.

Prayas IJJ library has performed such. Function as issues/ return, renewals, reservation, and circulation statistically stock verification reports etc.

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