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I INTRODUCTION

The year 2022-23 has been a progressive and an encouraging year for DELNET with the expansion on various horizons including its membership, resources, services, new initiatives, etc. During the year, DELNET continued with its high level of commitment to offer the most reliable and proactive support to its member-institutions and their researchers and scholars through content networking, furthering the cause of library networking and resource sharing. The training of library manpower to move with the emerging trends in the information landscape remained yet another focus area for which DELNET made incredible contributions by organising numerous Webinars and training sessions during the year.

II DELNET ELECTIONS FOR THE BIENNIAL TERM 2022-2024

DELNET Elections for the biennial term 2022-23 and 2023-24 was completed successfully. The new Governing Board was constituted with the following members:

1. Mr. K. Jayakumar, IAS

President

Former Chief Secretary, Government of Kerala and Former Jt. Secretary, Ministry of Culture, Government of India

2. Dr. S. S. Murthy

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Director

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New Delhi

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Training and Research (NITTTR), Chennai and

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New Delhi

8. Mr. Pavan Shrikishan Sharma

Member

Librarian (Elected by Member-Institutions)

Yashaswi Education Society's International

Institute of Management Science

Pune

Maharashtra

9. Dr. (Mrs.) Sangeeta N. Dhamdhere

Member

Librarian (Elected by Member-Institutions)

Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce

Pune

Maharashtra

10. Dr. Dattatraya S. Bormane

Member

Principal (Elected by Member-Institutions)

All India Shri Shivaji Memorial Society's

College of Engineering

Pune

Maharashtra

III MEMBERSHIP

On the membership front, the year 2022-23 has brought in 653 new members to DELNET's network of libraries, strengthening its membership base and also the scope and coverage of institutions. These members joined from across the country. The states from where the maximum number of members joined included Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu, Telangana, Uttar Pradesh, etc.

It should also be noted that additionally 162 institutions (previously inactive) renewed their membership w.e.f. August 1, 2022 under DELNET's Special 30th year celebratory gesture.

DELNET continued with its best efforts to approach various institutions in India and outside for membership during the year. Efforts were also made to approach the major universities with affiliated colleges to explore the opportunity for networking and modernising their libraries. Some of these proposals are in the pipeline. The detailed breakup of DELNET membership is mentioned in Appendix I.

IV FINANCE

With the limited self-generated finances from the institutional membership fee which has not been increased for more than two decades now, DELNET continued to weave its success story of self-reliance and sustainability and providing equitable and affordable access to networked E-resources. DELNET remains dedicated to transform libraries and by investing its limited resources for the development of libraries and to offer the most reliable support to libraries and their users, comprising faculty, researchers and scholars.

V DELNET BUILDING

5.1 DELNET Hostel Block

During the year 2022-23, there was a marked improvement in the use of DELNET's guest house facility which was marred in the previous years due to the pandemic situation. It was used regularly by institutions for accommodation, conducting official meetings, seminars, workshops, etc. A number of universities including JNU, Central Universities, AICTE, IIMs, other Academic, Research and Special Institutions used the guest house facilities and greatly appreciated the services and support extended by DELNET.

The property tax for 2022 for DELNET, New Delhi was paid to the MCD. Also the property tax for DELNET Lucknow office was paid to Nagar Nigam Lucknow.

5.2 Purchase of DELNET Office Space for its Coordination Unit at Pune

I am pleased to inform you that DELNET has purchased the Office Unit 0-445, Boulevard Part of Towers, Phase I, Connaught Road, Sadhu Vaswani Road, Pune-411001 with Carpet Area 88.92 sqmetres (with additional balcony area of 23.35 sqmetres.) [Total Area 1208 sq feet] from BramhaCorp Limited, Pune, a leading 40-year old Real Estate Developer in Pune. The office is located in a prime, central location in Pune which is near the Pune Railway Station. The interior work will be started soon and DELNET will be able to run its Pune office from its own office premises. The Pune office of DELNET has been operating from rental premises for nearly one decade. It is worth mentioning that Maharashtra is the leading state with the maximum number of DELNET member-institutions.

5.3 DELNET Bangalore Coordination Unit Office – Interior Work

The interior work at DELNET Bangalore Office at Brigade Signature Tower has been in progress. The air-conditioning, electrical and networking work has almost been completed. It is hoped that the entire work will be completed in the next few months and the Bangalore Unit would start running its operations from the new premises.

VI NETWORK OPERATIONS

6.1 DELNET Online Services

During the year, the member institutions used the DELNET online services regularly for searching the various resources. It is heartening to note that the member libraries have actively participated in "DELNET Best Practices - Data Sharing and Accessibility". The services have been operational 24/7. DELNET also continued organising the Webinars/in-person orientation sessions for users' community of the member libraries which has definitely helped in the effective utilisation of DELNET resources and services.

6.2 Internet Leased-Line with NIC

The DELNET-NIC 2 Mbps MTNL leased line connectivity is working effectively.

6.3 Airtel RF Internet Link

DELNET also has an Airtel 20 Mbps RF link for organising Webinars, backup data servers operations, etc. The link is working smoothly.

VII DELNET DISCOVERY PORTAL

7.1 It is worth mentioning that the DELNET Discovery Portal was upgraded with the latest application and OS version. Also new features were added in the portal for enhancing the users' experiences. The member institutions made the best use of the DELNET Discovery Portal for searching around Rs. 3.8 crore resources of various member-libraries and also exploring various other E-resources offered through DELNET. The member institutions were encouraged to send the library records to DELNET for merging in the discovery portal and it issued "Certificate of Appreciation" to them.

It is also affirmed that DELNET has introduced a new feature in the discovery portal wherein the institutions can now selectively search their own contributed library records through their assigned location code. The member-libraries greatly appreciated the introduction of this feature which helps them in providing a "Web OPAC" to their own users as many of the libraries do not have their own Web OPAC facility for the library catalogues.

7.2 Knowledge Gainer Portal

The Knowledge Gainer Portal of DELNET provides access to more than 1.6 crore full-text E-books, E-journals, E-articles, etc. The users of member-institutions made full use of E-resources which were very popular.

7.3 DELNET also provides access to the following online resources which were regularly updated and in great demand:

1. E-BOOKS

Autobiographies and Biographies

E-Books: Read and Download them online

Full-Text Medical Books

2. E-JOURNALS (Full-Text)

- a. Aerospace Sciences
- b. Agriculture/Horticulture Science
- c. Architecture
- d. Arts, Commerce and Science
- e. Ayurveda
- f. Dental
- g. Education
- h. Engineering and Technology
- i. Fashion Technology
- j. Homoeopathy
- k. Hotel Management
- 1. Law
- m. Library and Information Technology
- n. Management
- o. Mass Media
- p. Medical Science
- q. Nursing
- r. Paramedical Sciences
- s. Pharmacy
- t. Physiotherapy
- u. Skill and Entrepreneurship
- v. Social Sciences
- w. Yoga

3. THESES/DISSERTATIONS

EBSCO Open Dissertation

Global Full-Text Theses and Dissertations

Networked Digital Library of Theses and Dissertations

Yale Medicine Theses Digital Library

4. OTHER ONLINE DATABASES

Directory of Open Access Repositories India.gov.in – National Portal of India MEDLINE and Other Databases of NLM

US Patents: Full Text

Cambridge Dictionary Online

ODLIS: Online Dictionary for Lib and Inf. Science

Hobbies

Sanskrit E-Resources

5. LANGUAGE LEARNING

The Language Learning Portal was used extensively by the students of the member institutions which was a helping aid to them to learn English and other foreign languages both for improving their spoken and writing skills.

6. MANUSCRIPTS AND RARE BOOKS

DELNET also provides access to full-text manuscripts and rare books.

7. E-Newspapers

During the year, DELNET newly created a "E-Newspapers" section in the online portal which provides access to a sizeable number of E-Newspapers published in Hindi, English and other regional languages including Assamese, Bengali, Gujarati, Kannada, Malayalam, Marathi, Odia, Punjabi, Telugu, etc. The respective links to the newspapers are provided to the users.

VIII INTER-LIBRARY LOAN (ILL) AND DOCUMENT DELIVERY SERVICES (DDS)

The Interlibrary Loan and Document Delivery Services, a unique, fully functional and most reliable service to reach out physically to the resources lying scattered in the member-libraries, remains greatly utilised by the member-institutions. It is heartening to see that in the era of unimaginable E-content and E-resources, the dependability on physical books available in the libraries stays relevant. The strengthening of library-to-library cooperation and the resource sharing remains the priority areas for DELNET for which it contributes extensively. The services are in popular demand by the member-institutions which help their faculty, researchers and scholars to get the desired resources for their academic and research work. The support extended by the member-libraries for enhancing the level of resource sharing is praiseworthy and commendable. It is a great boon for the scholarly and research community. It helps in realising the mission of taking the Libraries to the places wherein users are located. DELNET continues to contribute significantly in this direction.

IX SOFTWARE SUPPORT

9.1 DELNET continues to offer valuable and appreciable support for the installation of Delplus, the library management software, provided free of charge to its member-libraries. A sizeable number of member-libraries across the country use the software which is installed remotely through Team Viewer software. DELNET also provides assistance to member-libraries for converting the existing library records into Delplus. The barcoding can also be done using Delplus.

9.2 Support for Open Source Software for Member-Institutions

DELNET continues to offer support for installation and customisation of Koha for library automation among member-libraries. The installation is done on Linux platform remotely.

DELNET also provides support to member-institutions for the installation of Dspace software for creating Institutional Repositories.

X DELNET CONSORTIUM

DELNET continues to offer the following products:

10.1 DELNET Gale Cengage Consortium

- InfoTrac Engineering, Science and Technology Collection (IESTC)
- 2. InfoTrac Business & Management Collection (IBMC)
- 3. InfoTrac Medical Collection (IMedC)
- 4. InfoTrac Pharmacy Collection (IPC)
- 5. Health and Wellness Resources Centre (HWRC)
- 6. InfoTrac Dental Collection (IDC)
- 7. Nursing & Allied Health
- 8. Business Insight Global (BiG)
- 9. Environmental Studies (GREENR)
- 10. Culinary Arts Collection (CAC)
- 11. Hospitality, Tourism and Leisure Collection (HTC)
- 12. InfoTrac Architecture Collection (IAC)
- 13. InfoTrac Arts, Humanities & Social Sciences Collections

10.2 DELNET ProQuest E-Journals Consortium

- 1. DELNET ProQuest Engineering/Technology Collection
- 2. DELNET ProQuest Management Collection

10.3 DELNET Consortium for eBooks

1. World eBook Library Through IGroup

XI NEW INITIATIVES/PORTALS LAUNCHED

11.1 DELNET launches ViSiOn Portal and Best Practices for Subject Matter Experts (SMEs) Knowledge Sharing Among Member-Libraries

I am glad to inform that a highly sophisticated DELNET "ViSiOn" (Video Sites Online) portal is made live which contains many enriching video lectures delivered by the Subject Matter Experts (SMEs) in varied fields of knowledge and hosted and accessible through various institutions. The single window interactive, innovative and engaging platform allows the faculty, students, researchers and scholars, etc. to access the video lectures through Title, Subject, Speaker's Name, Host Institution, etc. Also, "Browse by Category" option is available wherein the Video Lectures on various subjects including Agricultural Science, Architecture, Ayurveda, Education, Engineering and Technology, Languages, Law, Library and Information Science, Literature, Management, Mass Communication, Medical Sciences, Nursing, Pharmacy, Science, Social Sciences, The Arts-Performing and Visual Art, Yoga, etc. are made available. The member-institutions have welcomed DELNET's new initiative and have started sending the video lectures of their faculty members. Nearly 22,000 video lectures are currently available through the ViSiOn portal, which is continuously updated.

11.2 DELNET Launches WebView - DELNET Video Channel on YouTube

During the year, DELNET has launched "WebView", its video channel on YouTube. It contains the video recordings of the various Webinar sessions organised by DELNET. The LIS professionals, faculty members, students, etc. can subscribe to the Youtube channel free and can view the recordings of the past webinars organised by DELNET. The channel has started gaining popularity. As DELNET is committed to "Empower the Libraries and Inspiring LIS Professionals", the DELNET WebView channel would significantly contribute in enhancing knowledge sharing among professionals and would lead to their professional development.

11.3 DrillBit: Plagiarism Detection Software for Academic Integrity

DELNET in collaboration with Balani Infotech Pvt Ltd. has started offering web-based DrillBit Software to its member-libraries for plagiarism detection for a subsidised annual subscription of Rs 48,000 (inclusive of GST) for 300 documents checking.

XII COORDINATION UNITS

The DELNET Coordination Units in Bangalore, Hyderabad and Pune are functioning successfully. The work on online data collection, follow-up for membership renewals, new membership from the region, organising Webinars, etc. also continue from these Coordination Units.

XIII CELEBRATING 30 YEARS OF DELNET

I am glad to inform you with great delight and honour that DELNET has completed the significant milestone of 30 years of its pioneering work of Library Networking on June 30, 2022. "Networking Libraries, Sharing and Spreading Knowledge" remains DELNET's prime objective for which it has worked relentlessly for the past three decades for Empowering Libraries and Inspiring Professionals.

- **13.1** The programme entitled "Celebrating-"DELNET@30: Forging Ahead in Empowering Libraries and Inspiring LIS Professionals" was held online on June 30, 2022. The librarians from member-institutions spoke about "DELNET: A Boon for Librarians, Academicians, Researchers and Scholars". It was followed by discussions on ViSiOn and DESIRE Portals of DELNET. The day-long webinar was attended by 930 participants from various parts of India and outside.
- **13.2** It is noteworthy that as a special celebratory gesture under DELNET's 30th year, it has provided a special offer to the inactive institutions whose membership has lapsed in the past to renew their annual membership from August 1, 2022. Under this special incentive, 162 institutions have renewed their membership under the special offer.

XIV NATIONAL INITIATIVES

NACLIN 2022

The 25th National Convention on Knowledge, Library and Information Networking (NACLIN 2022) was organised online on the theme "Redefining and Repositioning Libraries: Exploring, Engaging and Expanding for Next Gen Library Users" from December 14-16, 2022. The three days' online conference was attended by 2200 participants from various parts of India and many other countries. It was the best ever participation of professionals at the NACLIN Conference and especially on the special occasion of the Silver Jubilee of NACLIN Conference.

NACLIN 2022 was inaugurated online on December 14, 2022 by the Chief Guest Professor Saket Kushwaha, Vice-Chancellor, Rajiv Gandhi University, Itanagar, Arunachal Pradesh. The Guest of Honour address was delivered by Dr. Vinita S. Sahay, Director, Indian Institute of Management Bodh Gaya, Bihar. Shri K. Jayakumar, President, DELNET delivered the Presidential address.

The first tutorial on "Smart and Innovative Tools to Enhance Library Services" was conducted by Mr. Pralhad Jadhav, Associate Director (Library), Khaitan and Company, Mumbai. The Second Tutorial on "Intelligent Citation Based Tools for Research Discovery and Insights" was conducted by Prof. (Dr.) Rupak Chakravarty, Professor, DLISc, Panjab University, Chandigarh.

On the second day, the Technical Session I was devoted to "New Education Policy NEP 2020". The keynote presentation "NEP 2020: Implementation Strategies and Preparedness of Academics Institutions" was presented by Dr. G. Janardhanan, Professor of Civil and Environmental Engineering and Head I/c, Dept. of Curriculum Development, Planning and Coordination, National Institute of Technical Teachers Training and Research (NITTTR), Chennai, Tamil Nadu. The Technical Session II was devoted to "Reading Habits: Growing Concerns". The keynote presentation entitled "Reading Habits in the Digital Era: Growing Challenges and Concerns for Libraries" was delivered by Dr. Geeta Malhotra, Country, Director, READ India, Gurgaon. The Technical Session III was devoted to "Emerging Technologies for Libraries". The keynote presentation entitled "Data Analytics and Al for Libraries" was delivered by Dr. Surabhi Pandey, Associate Professor, IIPA, New Delhi. The Technical Session IV was devoted to "DELNET-Empowering Libraries Through Library Networking and Resource Sharing" which was delivered by Dr. Sangeeta Kaul, Director, DELNET.

On the last day, Technical Session V was held on "Cyber Security". The keynote presentation on "Emerging Cyber Security Trends: Issues and Challenges" was delivered by Major Vineet Kumar, Founder and President, Cyber Peace Foundation, Ranchi.

The last Technical Session VI was devoted to the "Upskilling and Reskilling of Professionals". The keynote presentation entitled "Upskilling and Reskilling the LIS Professionals for Engaging and Empowering the Information Seekers for Sustainable Development" was made by Dr. Jagtar Singh, Professor and Head, DLISc, Guru Kashi University, Bathinda, Punjab.

The panel discussion on the theme of the Conference "Redefining and Repositioning Libraries-Exploring, Engaging and Expanding for Next Gen Library Users" was organised. The panelists were Dr. Shantanu Ganguly, Professor, Corporate Communications and Director, NIMS School of Management and Communications,

NIMS University, Jaipur; Dr. Nabi Hasan, Librarian, IIT Delhi; Dr. V. N. Patkar, Mumbai and Dr. Sheetal Tank, University Librarian, Atmiya University, Rajkot. Dr. Sangeeta Kaul moderated the session.

In the Valedictory Session, as a special gesture on the occasion of the 25th NACLIN, some of the past NACLINs Organising Secretaries were invited for the 'Wonderful Reminiscences of NACLINs'. The Guests of Honour included Dr. M.D. Baby, Organising Secretary, 5th NACLIN (NACLIN 2002) and former University Librarian, Cochin University of Science and Technology (CUSAT), Kochi; Dr. B.B. Das, Organising Secretary, 6th NACLIN (NACLIN 2003) and former University Librarian, Jadavpur University, Kolkata; Dr. Mayank Trivedi, Organising Secretary, 15th NACLIN (NACLIN 2012) and University Librarian, The Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda, Vadodara and Mr. R.S. Deora, Coordinator, 22nd NACLIN (NACLIN 2019) and Chief Librarian, Pacific Medical College and Hospital, Udaipur.

The valedictory session was chaired by Dr. S.S. Murthy, Former Director, DESIDOC and Vice President, DELNET.

XV INTERNATIONAL INITIATIVES

IFLA MEMBERSHIP

I am glad to inform you that DELNET has enrolled as an IFLA member. It would help DELNET in being a part of the most prestigious library platform which is a global voice of libraries and information services. Also it will help in building collaborations with the global community of libraries and LIS professionals.

XVI WEBINARS

The following online programmes were organised by DELNET during 2022-23. DELNET uses the Goto Webinar platform for conducting online sessions which functions very well.

16.1 Dr. H. K. Kaul Memorial Lecture

July 1, 2022

DELNET organised online the Second Dr. H.K. Kaul Memorial Lecture. The lecture entitled "Enhancing User-Centred Services: Changing Perspectives for LIS Professionals" was delivered by Ms Padmaja Muralidharan, Senior Librarian, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore. It was attended by 644 participants.

16.2 Webinars on Special Professional Topics

April 30, 2022	DELNET Webinar Session on "Tools and Strategies for Countering Information Overload" by Dr. Sangeeta Kaul. It was attended by 627 participants.
May 11, 2022	DELNET Webinar Session on "Celebrating National Technology Day-Cyber Security, Usability and Privacy: Issues and Concerns" by Sanjana Rathi, CEO and Founding Partner of The Cyber Diplomat. It was attended by 832 participants.
May 26, 2022	DELNET Panel Discussion on "Citizen Empowerment Through Digital Transformation in Government". It was attended by 757 participants.
May 31, 2022	DELNET Webinar Session on "Research Data Management Landscape: What Librarians and Researchers Need to Know?" by Dr. R. K. Bhardwaj, Librarian, St. Stephen's College, University of Delhi. It was attended by 832 participants.
June 18, 2022	Webinar on DELNET-BIPL Launch of "DrillBit: Plagiarism Detection Software for Academic Integrity". It was attended by 697 participants.
June 30, 2022	Celebrating "DELNET@30-Forging Ahead in Empowering Libraries and Inspiring LIS Professionals". It was attended by 930 participants.
July 23, 2022	DELNET Webinar on "Role of Libraries in Research Information Management (RIM) in HEIs " by Dr. Sumeer Gul, Assoc. Professor, DLISc, University of Kashmir. It was attended by 745 participants.
August 31, 2022	DELNET and TERI School of Advanced Studies (TERI SAS), New Delhi, Webinar on "Best Practices for Building Green Campuses" by Dr. Aviruch Bhatia, Asstt. Professor, TERI SAS. It was attended by 479 participants.
September 24, 2022	DELNET Webinar on "Developing a 'Be of Service Attitude' for Serving the Library Users" by Dr. Sangeeta Kaul, Director, DELNET. It was attended by 698 participants.
September 30, 2022	DELNET and CEMCA (Commonwealth Educational Media Centre for Asia) Webinar on "Leveraging OERs to Enhance Higher Learning". It was attended by 701 participants.

October 29, 2022 DELNET Webinar session on "How to Make a Blog for Your Library? Learn Step by Step" by Dr. Rajesh Sharma, Librarian, Kendriya Vidyalaya, Bilaspur. It was attended by 543 participants.

November 30, 2022 DELNET Webinar on "Research and Publication Ethics: Role of Librarians" by Dr. Shubhada Nagarkar, DLISc, Savitribai Phule Pune University, Pune. It was attended by 701 participants.

December 29, 2022 DELNET Webinar on "Skill Development for New Millennium's LIS Professionals: An Overview" by Dr. P.R. Goswami, Former Director, Library and Information, IGNCA and Former Director, CSL. It was attended by 871 participants.

January 24, 2023 DELNET Webinar on "Enabling Innovation in 21st Century Institutions: The Tech Stack Strategies for Libraries" by Dr. M. G. Sreekumar, Director Libraries, Jio Institute. It was attended by 860 participants from India and abroad.

February 7, 2023 Celebrating Safer Internet Day 2023, organised by UNICEF, Cyber Peace Foundation, DELNET, NCERT and NBT at Dr. Ambedkar International Centre, New Delhi.

February 25, 2023 DELNET Webinar Session on "Fostering Research and Innovation in Institutions for Strengthening Tomorrow" by Dr. Krishna Venkatesh, Director, CIIRC, JIIT Bengaluru. It was attended by 500 participants from India and abroad.

March 16, 2023 DELNET Webinar on "ChatGPT: Its Impact on Higher Education and Academic Libraries" by Dr. Brady D. Lund, Assistant Professor of Information Science, University of North Texas, Denton, Texas, USA. It was attended by 835 participants from India and abroad.

March 24, 2023 Cyber Peace Dialogue on Fostering Trust and Safety in the Digital Age" organised by CyberPeace and C20 Working Group on Technology, Security & Transparency, supported by DELNET, ZOOM, Autobot Infosec held at DELNET, New Delhi.

16.3 Webinars on "DELNET Resource and Services" for Member-Institutions

April 6, 2022 DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and Services" was organised for Kalinga University, Raipur, Chhattisgarh. It was attended by 46 participants.

DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and April 7, 2022 Services" was organised for Central Sanskrit University, Kangra. It was attended by 506 participants. DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and April 11, 2022 Services" was organised for Shri Gopal Gaonkar Memorial Goa Multi-Faculty College, Goa. It was attended by 34 participants. April 13, 2022 DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and Services" was organised for Firebird Institute of Research in Management, Coimbatore. It was attended by 12 participants. DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and April 19, 2022 Services "was organised for Dhanwate National College, Nagpur. It was attended by 87 participants. April 20, 2022 DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and Services "was organised for NGSPM's College of Pharmacy, Nashik. It was attended by 65 participants. DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and April 21, 2022 Services" was organised for Nava Nalanda Mahavihara, Nalanda. It was attended by 68 participants. DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and April 28, 2022 Services" was organised for Nepal Engineering College, Bhaktapur, Nepal. It was attended by 27 participants. DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and May 6, 2022 Services" was organised for S.S.T. College of Arts and Commerce, Ulhasnagar, Maharashtra. It was attended by 284 participants. May 19, 2022 DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and Services" was organised for Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru Government College, Faridabad. It was attended by 60 participants. DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and May 20, 2022 Services" was organised for JCDAV College, Dasuya, Hoshiarpur, Punjab. It was attended by 179 participants. DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and May 25, 2022 Services" was organised for Jindal College for Women, Bangalore. It was attended by 51 participants.

May 27, 2022	DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and Services" was organised for Sree Saraswathi Thyagaraja College (Autonomous), Pollachi. It was attended by 134 participants.
May 30, 2022	DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and Services" was organised for A. S. Group of Institutions, Khanna, Punjab. It was attended by 34 participants.
June 1, 2022	DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and Services" was organised for Bhadrak Engineering School and Technology, Bhadrak, Odisha. It was attended by 97 participants.
June 2, 2022	DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and Services" was organised for Pt. Mohan Lal S.D. College for Women, Gurdaspur. It was attended by 69 participants.
June 8, 2022	DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and Services" was organised for Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh. It was attended by 258 participants.
June 10, 2022	DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and Services" was organised for National Institute of Disaster Management, New Delhi. It was attended by 59 participants.
June 20, 2022	DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and Services" was organised for Government College of Arts, Science and Commerce, Goa. It was attended by 49 participants.
June 23, 2022	DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and Services" was organised for Vellore Institute of Technology, Chennai. It was attended by 42 participants.
June 24, 2022	DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and Services" was organised for IILM Graduate School of Management, Greater Noida. It was attended by 53 participants.
July 13, 2022	DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and Services" was organised for Yashwantrao Chavan Maharashtra Open University, Nashik. It was attended by 123 participants.
July 20, 2022	DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and Services" was organised for Adamas University, Kolkata. It was attended by 24 participants.

July 21, 2022 DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and Services" was organised for Yashaswi Education Society's International Institute of Management Science, Chinchwad, Pune. It was attended by 167 participants. DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and June 22, 2022 Services " was organised for Annasaheb Dange College of Engineering and Technology, Ashta (Sangli), Maharashtra. It was attended by 86 participants. DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and July 27, 2022 Services" was organised for Ram Chameli Chadha Vishwas Girls College, Ghaziabad. It was attended by 47 participants. August 17, 2022 DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and Services" was organised for Father Muller Medical College, Mangalore. It was attended by 73 participants. August 24, 2022 DELNET and Nehru Memorial Museum & Library, New Delhi Session on "DELNET: Resources and Services". It was attended by 40 participants. August 25, 2022 DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and Services" was organised for Manipur Technical University Library, Manipur, Imphal. It was attended by 234 participants. DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and August 26, 2022 Services" was organised for MIT Academy of Engineering, Pune. It was attended by 94 participants. September 7, 2022 DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and Services" was organised for CMI Hospital, Bengaluru. It was attended by 19 participants. DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and September 12, 2022 Services" was organised for Dr. D. Y. Patil College of Architecture, Akurdi, Pune. It was attended by 52 participants. DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and September 17, 2022 Services" was organised for Salwan Public School, Gurgaon. It was attended by 86 participants. DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and September 21, 2022 Services" was organised for Guru Kashi University, Talwandi

Sabo, Bathinda. It was attended by 171 participants.

- DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and September 28, 2022 Services" was organised for Sunshine Group of Institutions, Rajkot. It was attended by 51 participants. DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and September 29, 2022 Services" was organised for College of Engineering, Pune. It was attended by 41 participants. DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and October 13, 2022 Services" was organised for RK University, Rajkot. It was attended by 96 participants. DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and October 15, 2022 Services" was organised for Yeshwant Mahavidyalaya, Wardha, Maharashtra. It was attended by 27 participants. DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and November 14, 2022 Services "was organised for MIT Academy of Engineering, Pune. It was attended by 235 participants. December 19, 2022 DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and Services" was organised for Govt. Science College, Jabalpur. It was attended by 23 participants. DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and December 22, 2022 Services" was organised for Rizvi College of Arts, Science and Commerce, Mumbai. It was attended by 63 participants. January 5, 2023 DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and Services" was organised for Dr. Vithalrao Vikhe Patil Foundation's College of Nursing, Ahmednagar. It was attended by 141 participants. January 9, 2023 DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and Services" was organised for Yadavindra Public School, Mohali. It was attended by 90 participants.
- February 15, 2023 DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and Services" was organised for Urumu Dhanalakshmi College, Trichy. It was attended by 140 participants.

attended by 68 participants.

January 19, 2023

DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and

Services" was organised for GSFC University, Vadodara. It was

16.4 Celebrating Library Networking Day: Commemorating the 81st Birth Anniversary of Dr. H. K. Kaul, Founder Director, DELNET

December 21, 2022 DELNET Online Session on "Celebrating Library Networking Day: Commemorating the 81stBirth Anniversary of Dr. H. K. Kaul" held on December 21, 2022. It was attended by 734 participants.

XVII DELNETANNUAL LECTURE 2022

I am pleased to inform you that the 25th DELNET Annual Lecture of 2022 was delivered online on "Connecting Libraries and Collections for Global Users" by Mr Peter Bae, Assistant University Librarian for Collection Access, Fulfilment and Resource Sharing, Princeton University Library, Princeton, NJ, USA on November 17, 2022. It was attended by 413 participants from various parts of India and outside. The entire lecture can be viewed at DELNET's Youtube channel of WEBVIEW. The transcript of the lecture is available at the DELNET website.

XVIII STAFF CONTRIBUTIONS

Membership Panels/Committee, etc.

Dr. Sangeeta Kaul, Director

Member, Editorial Committee, DESIDOC Journal of Library & Information Technology (DJLIT).

Special Invitee, Board of Studies, Library and Information Sciences, Guru Ghasidas Vishwavidyalaya, Bilaspur, Chhattisgarh

Member, Editorial Board, International Quarterly Journal, Department of Library and Information Science, Rajagiri College of Social Sciences, Kalamassery, Kerala.

18.1 Lectures Delivered

Dr. Sangeeta Kaul, Director

April 6, 2022	DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and
	Services", organised for Kalinga University, Raipur,
	Chhattisgarh.

April 7, 2022 DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and Services", organised for Central Sanskrit University, Kangra.

April 13, 2022	DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and Services", organised for Firebird Institute of Research in Management, Coimbatore.
April 21, 2022	DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and Services", organised for Nava Nalanda Mahavihara, Nalanda.
April 28, 2022	DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and Services", organised for Nepal Engineering College, Bhaktapur, Nepal.
May 6, 2022	DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and Services", organised for SST College of Arts and Commerce, Ulhasnagar, Maharashtra.
May 7, 2022	Invited Lecture delivered Online on "DELNET" during Jnana Chilume 2022, organised by Jain Deemed to be University, Bangalore.
May 19, 2022	DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and Services", organised for Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru Government College, Faridabad.
May 20, 2022	DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and Services", organised for JCDAV College, Dasuya, Hoshiarpur, Punjab.
May 25, 2022	DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and Services", organised for Jindal College for Women, Bangalore.
May 27, 2022	DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and Services", organised for SreeSaraswathiThyagaraja College (Autonomous), Pollachi.
May 30, 2022	DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and Services", organised for A. S. Group of Institutions, Khanna, Punjab.
June 1, 2022	DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and Services", organised for Bhadrak Engineering School and Technology, Bhadrak, Odisha.
June 8, 2022	DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and Services", organised for Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh.
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June 10, 2022	DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and Services", organised for National Institute of Disaster Management, New Delhi.
June 23, 2022	DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and Services", organised for Vellore Institute of Technology, Chennai.
June 24, 2022	DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and Services", organised for IILM Graduate School of Management, Greater Noida.
July 13, 2022	DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and Services", organised for Yashwantrao Chavan Maharashtra Open University, Nashik.
July 20, 2022	DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and Services", organised for Adamas University, Kolkata.
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August 17, 2022	DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and Services", organised for Father Muller Medical College, Mangalore.
August 18, 2022	Lecture on "Serving the Library Users with "Service Attitude" delivered online on National Librarians' Day Celebrations organised by Defence Science Library (DSL), DESIDOC.
August 24, 2022	DELNET and Nehru Memorial Museum and Library, New Delhi Session on "DELNET: Resources & Services".
August 25, 2022	DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and Services", organised for Manipur Technical University Library, Manipur, Imphal.
August 26, 2022	DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and Services", organised for MIT Academy of Engineering, Pune.

September 7, 2022 DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and Services", organised for CMI Hospital, Bengaluru. DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and September 12, 2022 Services", organised for Dr. D. Y. Patil College of Architecture, Akurdi, Pune. September 17, 2022 DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and Services", organised for Salwan Public School, Gurgaon. DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and September 21, 2022 Services", organised for Guru Kashi University, Talwandi Sabo, Bathinda. September 28, 2022 DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and Services", organised for Sunshine Group of Institutions, Rajkot. DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and September 29, 2022 Services", organised for College of Engineering, Pune. DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and October 13, 2022 Services", organised for RK University, Rajkot. DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and October 15, 2022 Services", organised for Yeshwant Mahavidyalaya, Wardha, Maharashtra. December 10, 2022 Address delivered Online at the Inaugural Session of "Online Workshop on Library Automation and Digitisation Using Koha, Dspace, Moodle and Library Android Application" organised by Poornima University, Jaipur. December 19, 2022 DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and Services", organised for Govt. Science College, Jabalpur. DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources & December 22, 2022 Services", organised for Rizvi College of Arts, Science and Commerce, Mumbai. DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and January 5, 2023 Services", organised for Dr. Vithalrao Vikhe Patil Foundation's

College of Nursing, Ahmednagar.

January 14, 2023	Chief Guest Address and Presentation on "DELNET" delivered
	in-person at "Best User Award" function organised by Kamla
	Nehru Institute of Physical and Social Sciences, Sultanpur, Uttar
	Pradesh.

- January 18, 2023 A lecture on "Netiquettes of Online Communication: The Golden Rules" delivered online at 88th Gurudakshta Faculty Induction Programme, organised by UGC-Human Resource Development Centre, University of Kashmir, Srinagar.
- January 19, 2023 DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and Services", organised for GSFC University, Vadodara.
- February 7, 2023 Moderated a Panel Discussion on "Creating Safer Cyberspace for Children" organised at "Safer INTERNET Day" organised by UNICEF, CPF, DELNET, NCERT and NBT held at Dr. Ambedkar International Centre, New Delhi.
- February 15, 2023 DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and Services", organised for Urumu Dhanalakshmi College, Trichy.
- February 16, 2023 Lecture on "DELNET-Networking Libraries, Sharing and Spreading Knowledge: A Boon for Researchers and Scholars" delivered online at the two-day International Workshop on "Innovations in Research Methodology and Quality Concerns in Pedagogical Studies-NEP 2020" organised by Government College of Education, Jammu.

18.2 Lectures Delivered

Dr. Neela J. Deshpande, Consultant, DELNETCoordination Unit, Pune

- April 11, 2022 DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and Services", organised for Shri Gopal Gaonkar Memorial Goa Multi-Faculty College, Goa.
- April 19, 2022 DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and Services", organised for Dhanwate National College, Nagpur.
- April 20, 2022 DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and Services", organised for NGSPM's College of Pharmacy, Nashik.

June 20, 2022 DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and

Services", organised for Government College of Arts, Science

and Commerce, Goa.

June 22, 2022 DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and

Services", organised for Annasaheb Dange College of

Engineering and Technology, Ashta (Sangli), Maharashtra.

November 14, 2022 DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and

Services", organised for MIT Academy of Engineering, Pune.

18.3 Lectures Delivered

Mrs. Ranjana, Network Assistant, DELNET, New Delhi

June 2, 2022 DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and

Services", organised for Pt. Mohan Lal S.D. College for Women,

Gurdaspur.

January 9, 2023 DELNET Webinar Session on "DELNET: Resources and

Services", organised for Yadavindra Public School, Mohali.

XIX AUDITING OF DELNET ACCOUNTS

The DELNET audit for the financial year 2021-2022 has been completed. The Income Tax Return for the AY 2022-23 has also been filed.

XX GSTANNUAL RETURN

The annual GST return for the financial 2021-22 has been filed.

XXI CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION TO DELNET FOR PROMPT FILING AND PAYMENT OF GST

I am pleased to inform our members that DELNET with GST registration number 07AAAAD2288G1ZV has received "Certificate of Appreciation" from Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs, Ministry of Finance, Government of India 'towards the prompt filing of returns and payment of Goods and Services Tax during the financial year 2022-23, thereby substantially contributing to building a strong and resilient nation".

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I would like to thank the expert speakers from India and outside of various Webinars of DELNET who have been very gracious in sharing their vast knowledge with professionals.

I would like to convey our sincere thanks and appreciation to the Heads, Librarians, library staff, faculty, students, researchers and scholars of member-institutions for their splendid support to DELNET. We would also like to thank them for using DELNET resources and services and also for their kind support for ILL and Document Delivery Services. For organising Webinars for the member-institutions, we had received support from Heads, Librarians, Library staff and other officials of various institutions, I would like to thank all of them for their support.

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We profusely thank everyone connected with DELNET to be a part of the wonderful journey of Library Networking, empowering libraries, inspiring professionals and spreading and sharing knowledge. We look forward to your continued support to DELNET to scale greater heights in the years to come. We remain committed to the vision and mission of DELNET and feel greatly obliged to you for being an integral networking collaborator for realising the goals of DELNET.

Dr. Sangeeta KaulDirector
DELNET, New Delhi

March 31, 2023

DELNET Members as on March 31, 2023 - 7950

Andaman and Nicobar Islands	2
Andhra Pradesh	526
Arunachal Pradesh	7
Assam	50
Bihar	48
Chandigarh	21
Chhattisgarh	104
Dadra & Nagar Haveli	1
Daman and Diu	2
Delhi	319
Goa	29
Gujarat	310
Haryana	388
Himachal Pradesh	67
Jammu & Kashmir	31
Jharkhand	49
Karnataka	341
Kerala	319
Madhya Pradesh	520
Maharashtra	1075
Manipur	8
Meghalaya	9
Mizoram	3
Nagaland	3
Odisha	161
Puducherry	31
Punjab	269
Rajasthan	358
Sikkim	9
Tamil Nadu	1036
Telangana	662
Tripura	7
Uttar Pradesh	930
Uttarakhand	97
West Bengal	134
Outside India	24