

A Note from the Editor

This is the 2nd issue of the journal under its new title. Libraries and information institutions have been at the forefront of employing and adapting new and emerging technologies for enhancing the quality of information services and more efficient management of information systems. There are many technology products, tools, standards, and protocols that libraries have implemented in India and elsewhere. As most of you must be aware M/s Informatics (India) have been organizing an annual event known as Library Technology Conclave (LTC) in collaboration with some institution. LTC 2023 was held at Ashoka University (Sonepat, Haryana) between the 15th and 17th of February 2023. A novel feature of LTC 2023 is the introduction of an **Experiential Session** to provide an opportunity for LIS professionals to showcase and share their hands-on experience in using an array of technologies for enhancing the quality of existing library and information services or for introducing new and innovative library services. The idea of the sessions is to share information about practical experience in terms of issues and challenges faced, and value addition made in implementing the technology tools/ products/ services in their institutions.

With a view to widely disseminate the information based on practical experience in implementing new technologies in libraries, the *Journal of Information and Knowledge* requested the practitioners making the presentations to convert their presentations into papers for publication in the journal. In this issue, we are publishing seven papers based on presentations made at the Experiential Sessions of LTC 2023. Each one of the papers is based on practical experience gained by the author(s) in the actual implementation of the concerned technology in their institutions. The papers cover a range of areas including subject analysis and knowledge organization, OPACs, library management, and literature review, to mention a few.

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