



CENTRAL LIBRARY

REPORT ON THREE DAYS TRAINING ON SHODHGANGA/ SHODHGANGOTRI

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Venue: INFLIBNET Centre

Attendee: Dr. Mahesh K. Solanki (Librarian) and
Mr. Chintan Vasava (Assistant Librarian)

Introduction:

Dr. Mahesh K. Solanki and Mr. Chintan Vasava from Gujarat Technological University (GTU) Central Library recently participated in a three-day training program at the Information and Library Network (INFLIBNET) Centre in Gandhinagar. This comprehensive training, titled Three Days Training on Shodh Policies and Guidelines for the University Coordinators of Shodhganga, Shodh Shuddhi/PDS, was designed to enhance the quality of research and repository management within Higher Education Institutions (HEIs).

Overview and Scope:

The training program provided an in-depth understanding of the latest policies and technical advancements in research archiving and plagiarism detection. Over the three days, participants explored detailed guidelines and updated policies for Shodhganga and ShodhShuddhi, along with the new features and functionalities of Shodhganga 2.0. Crucially, the program covered procedures for signing amendments to the existing Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) in light of new guidelines. Practical sessions included mandatory submission protocols for one-page plagiarism reports for each thesis, the integration of Researcher IDs (such as ORCID) for accurate author identification, and comprehensive guidance on Plagiarism Detection Software (PDS), including quota allocation policies and hands-on training with the new Drillbit-Extreme software. Additionally, an overview of Shodh-Chakra was presented.

Training Outcomes:

Participants gained comprehensive knowledge of the latest policies and technological advancements in research archiving and plagiarism detection. They became well-versed in updated guidelines for Shodhganga and ShodhShuddhi, and developed proficiency in utilizing the enhanced features of Shodhganga 2.0. The training enabled participants to understand and implement the revised procedures for amending existing MoUs. Through practical sessions, they acquired hands-on experience with mandatory plagiarism reporting protocols, effective use of Researcher IDs (e.g., ORCID), and operational skills in the Drillbit-Extreme Plagiarism Detection Software, including an understanding of quota allocation policies. Furthermore, participants were introduced to the functionalities of Shodh-Chakra, enhancing their ability to support research workflows.

The training combined theoretical sessions with practical demonstrations, ensuring a robust learning experience. A significant highlight was the interactive quiz session, in which Mr. Chintan Vasava from GTU emerged as the winner, scoring an impressive 13,270 points, showcasing his strong grasp of the topics. All participants received certificates of participation, acknowledging their commitment to enhancing academic library systems.

Glimpse of the Training Programme



Conclusion:

The training program successfully equipped Dr. Mahesh K. Solanki and Mr. Chintan Vasava with essential knowledge regarding INFLIBNET's revised guidelines for standardizing academic archiving practices. These insights are vital for GTU's continued compliance and effective management of its research output. The next steps for GTU include the review the implementation of mandatory requirements such as one-page plagiarism reports, Researcher ID integration, and adherence to new PDS policies, ensuring GTU's alignment with national standards for academic integrity.