

National Workshop on Developing Digital
Library Using GNU EPrints

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The Mahatma Gandhi University Library

The Library established in 1989, was the first University Library in South India started the Online Information Retrieval Services through STN. At present the Library is having a very good IT infrastructure. The Library also has access to 4000+ online journals and databases under the UGC Infonet Digital Library Consortium. The University Library has fully automated all its house-keeping operations using the library software package SOUL developed by the INFLIBNET Centre.

INFLIBNET Centre

INFLIBNET Centre is an autonomous Inter-University Centre of the University Grants Commission. It is involved in creating infrastructure for sharing information among academic and research community of the country. Its major activities include training of LIS professionals, creation of national databases, software development etc. Presently it is involved in two major projects viz. UGC Infonet (interconnecting about 150 universities in a wide area network) and Digital Library Consortium. (<http://www.inflibnet.ac.in>).

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About the Workshop

With the advent of Information and Communication Technology, content creation and content management are crucial components for the proper development of modern libraries. Capturing, storing, indexing, preserving and redistributing digital content is a challenge of any Digital Library with ease-of-use and a web-based user interface. There are many softwares which have been developed for creating digital libraries. GNU EPrints is currently being opted by many libraries for digitizing their collection and building Institutional Repositories (IRs). Hence Mahatma Gandhi University Library is organizing a National Workshop on **Developing Digital Library Using GNU EPrints**, in association with the INFLIBNET Centre.

The workshop is being conducted to encourage research institutes, universities, colleges and R&D organizations to setup their interoperable IRs. The institutions may depute appropriate persons who will be in a position to take advantage of the training to set up and operate Institutional Repositories in their respective institutions.

GNU E Prints

GNU EPrints is a free open source software developed by the University of Southampton, UK. It is one of the most flexible platforms for building high quality, high value repositories, recognised as the easiest and fastest way to set up repositories of research literature, scientific data, student theses, project reports, multimedia artifacts, teaching materials, scholarly collections, digitised records, exhibitions and performances. It enables research to be accessible to all, and provides the foundation for all academic institutions to create their own research repositories. EPrints is quick to install, easy to configure, and needs minimal maintenance. Once installed, it simply works without fuss.

Objectives

This workshop will train participants in Building Digital Libraries/ Institutional Repositories (IR) using

GNU EPrints. Hands on training will be given to install Linux operating system, install the latest version of EPrints software on Linux and Windows platform, configuration, customization, backup/restore of EPrints system. The Programme is also aimed to encourage the participants in developing their own Institutional Digital Libraries.

Workshop content

The workshop sessions will cover the following topics:

- ▶ Overview of Digital Libraries, Institutional Repositories, Open Source Software for Developing Digital Libraries, their features and functionality.
- ▶ Installation of latest version of Red Hat supported Fedora Core operating system
- ▶ Configuring and managing Linux server
- ▶ Installation of EPrints software on Linux and Windows
- ▶ Overview of OAI framework and introduction to OAI-PMH
- ▶ Configuration of EPrints software, including OAI-compliance
- ▶ EPrints configuration for multilingual support
- ▶ Customization of EPrints software
- ▶ Backup and Restore

Methodology

Lectures, demonstrations, discussions and extensive practicals. The lab facility will be available for practice to the participants during extended hours.

Venue

Mahatma Gandhi University Library, Priyadarshini Hills, Kottayam, Kerala

Resource Persons

From INFLIBNET Centre, Ahmedabad and other organizations.

Target Participants

Librarians, Information Scientists, Teachers and Scientists from Universities, Colleges, and other R&D institutions from all over India. Working knowledge on ICT related applications are essential. The workshop will admit only 20 participants and admission is on first come by first served basis.

Registration

The filled in Application form along with the Demand Draft may please be sent to the Workshop Coordinator on or before 10-09-2008. Registration may close early at any time, if the number reaches twenty. Registration fee is Rs.2500/- per participant. Payment by Cash/Demand Draft payable in favour of the University Librarian, Mahatma Gandhi University Library, payable at State Bank of Travancore, M G University Campus Branch. Registration fee is non-refundable. However substitution from the same institution is permissible. The Registration fee includes workshop kit (workshop volume, EPrint software), working lunch and tea.

Accommodation

The participants may make their own arrangements for accommodation. However limited accommodation is available at the University guest house on extra payment. We would help the participants in arranging accommodation at nominal rates on advance request.

How to Reach

Mahatma Gandhi University Library is situated in the main campus of the University at Priyadarshini Hills, Athirampuzha. It is 14 km away from Kottayam Railway Station and 70 km from Cochin International Airport. From Kottayam town there are frequent private bus services to the University.