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Rebooting Public Libraries for the 21st Century to Recreate the Future

Department of Library & Information Science
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Objectives of the Seminar



List of Sub-Themes

Category I: Design for people

Romanticism Vs Reality
 User or Patron
 Fantasy Vs Need
 Touching All Layers of the Society
 People's University an Exaggerated Connotation
 Unfamiliarity Vs Librarian
 Paper Vs Pixels
 Reconnect the People

Category II: Unified Vision

Changing Stakeholders Expectation and Need in
 Changing Time
 Refocusing the Vision for the 21st century
 Reinventing and Reframing the Mission

Category III: Envisioning the Future

Embedded with Academic and Special Library
 Recreate the Future
 Transformation and Leadership to Herald a
 Better Tomorrow
 Future Long Overdue
 Innovation and Searching for Socially Relevant
 Future
 Brand New Ideation to Reweave the Future
 Investigate to Explore a sustainable future

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Public libraries are called people's university. It's a metaphoric and idealistic attribution attached to public libraries. Growth of public libraries from the Pre-British India to modern India has been a fragmented one. Need of life-long learning was felt by our socio-cultural ancestors and their dream of an independent India was in fact first weaved in public libraries. It would not be exaggerating if we say today's modern India is the resultant of that vision. After a long struggle we have got our precious Independence. But unfortunately after independence, what our great leaders envisioned public libraries as a platform for the holistic development of the society has been gradually eroded and reduced as a vestigial organ to the society. It is the hard truth we all know it. Sometimes too much romanticizing proves to be detrimental. Public libraries are not exception. With the inception of computers and internet the whole arena of learning and reading has been changed forever and the organic connection between public libraries and the society has been damaged severely. They have lost societal relevance. With all these in the backdrop, we want to debate and seek to investigate the reasons for present shambles and the path to recreate our future. We strongly believe that fully updated public libraries are still socially relevant and have the power to drive a sustainable social change.