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## EDITORIAL

Dear Readers!

### What maketh a Man?

Our Library had the good fortune of being enriched by the donation of more than a thousand books from the collection of the late Mr. Izeth Hussain, an eminent scholar, who was in the Foreign Service from 1953 to 1988, and served with distinction in our diplomatic missions in the UK, Pakistan, France, Egypt, the Philippines, and China, as Ambassador in the Philippines from 1982 to 1985, and then in Russia for 4 years, even after his retirement.

His collection witnesses his wide knowledge in Literature, on world history, the causes of wars and civil wars, how civilizations evolved, cultures, races and religions came into being, how these divisions among peoples erupted into violence, counterbalanced by settlements and treaties of peace, and the resulting social changes over the centuries.

A man with a passion for reading, he had a varied literary collection, from Literature to Philosophy, Politics to Economics, and Sociology to History & Travel.

He collected a large segment Penguin books to classics from Everyman's series and from award winning literature of books on reflections from the standpoints of varied religions, driven by a personal quest to know the truth and aid people to live in harmony.

He has published a large number of articles, seminar papers etc. on a wide variety of subjects including Islam, the Sri Lankan Muslims, International relations, Sri Lankan politics, and literature. His writings reflect his passion for living in harmony with all his fellow countrymen. Even at the age of 94 he wrote on social issues.

<https://www.colombotelegraph.com/index.php/13-a-the-indian-model-the-problem-of-interpellation/>

We are privileged to have his donation and trust our staff and students would benefit considerably from what he has left behind. Let us be sensitive to our duty to use the opportunities available to us, which many others lack, to acquire, and not misuse, the wealth of knowledge through reading, and thereby become mentors to others on spreading this message to the younger ones.

To us in the 21st century what the English Philosopher Francis Bacon said speaks even louder - indeed, 'Reading Maketh a Man'. Are we spreading this message? If not our society is doomed!

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Mr. Izeth Hussain



## In focus - Thai Pongal - 2018



Thai Pongal - one of the most important festivals of Tamil people celebrated by the Student's Union of the University of Jaffna on 15th January 2018.

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### Vision of our Library

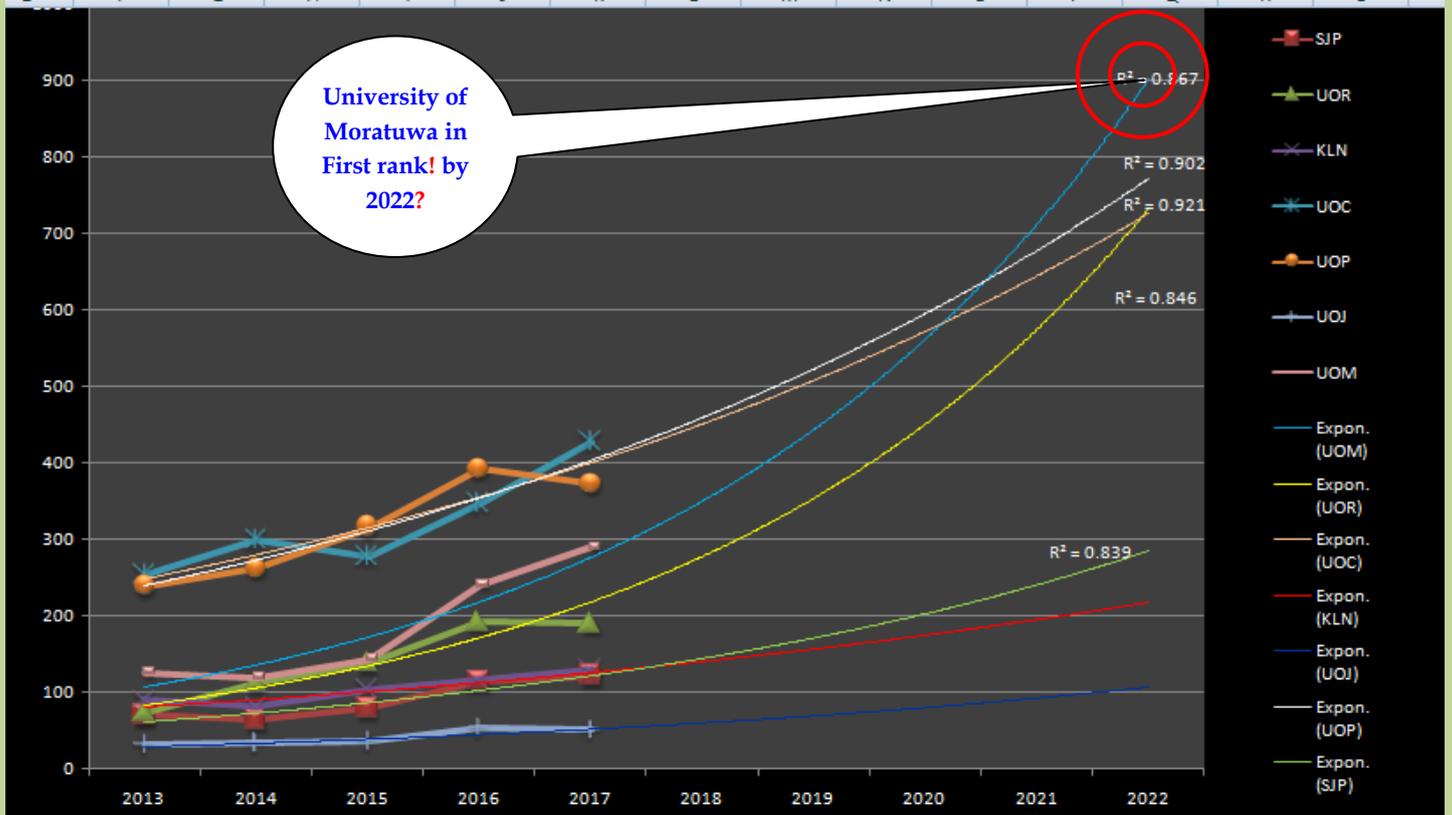
The Library functions as the guide to achieve the University's objectives, teaching, research and creation of new knowledge by organizing books, periodicals and other library materials in academic research and creative fields.

### Mission of our Library

The Library anticipates

1. Inculcating knowledge at student level
2. Assisting for professional development at staff level
3. Preserving the cultural heritage at society level

## Forecasting Trend of Research visibility of Leading Universities - through the of SCOPUS lens



YEAR	SJP	UOR	KLN	UOC	UOP	UOJ	UOM
2013	70	74	89	254	239	31	126
2014	64	113	81	299	263	33	120
2015	79	139	103	278	316	36	144
2016	115	193	115	347	393	53	241
2017	122	191	129	428	374	50	290

Source of data - <https://www.scopus.com>

## Orientation Programme - Allied Health Sciences Unit

Orientation programme for new Allied health science students was held on 23.01.2018. 173 new students participated in the programme. Mrs.K.Murugathas, Senior Assistant Librarian / in-charge of Medical library delivered library orientation lecture for the students. At the end they visited to the Faculty-library, Main-library and registered as readers of this library.



# Library Orientation programmes

## Orientation programme – Faculty of Agriculture

Inaugural Orientation programme for the new intakes of the Agricultur Faculty held on 03.01.2018 (Wednesday) at 10.30 am at the Faculty of Agriculture, Ariviyal Nagar, Kilinochchi. More than 80 new students visited to the Faculty-library and main-library. On their visit to the library, the students were trained on how to familiarize with different types of reading materials, and ways of using them and the means of locating the document with the help OPAC. Mrs.L.Umashankar, Senior Assistant Librarian, in-charge for Agriculture Library coordinated the programme.



## Orientation programme – Department of Law

Inaugural Orientation programme for the new students of the Department of Law held on 29.01.2018 at 8.30 am at Kailasapathy auditorium. More than 50 new students participated in this event. Following the inaugural address of the Librarian library orientation lecture delivered by Mr.S.Navaneethakrishnan for the students. Dr. (Mrs.)M.Viskaruban , Senior Assistant Librarian, coordinated the library visit.



## User awareness seminar – Gale Scholar



Representatives from Gale Scholar were visited to the Library and conducted User Awareness Programs for the benefit of the research communities of the University. Gale scholar is a database is established in the purpose of empowering the discovery of knowledge. The database covers the collections prominently in the subjects of Law, Arts, business & finance while covering few collections in Science, Technology, and Medicine

Trial access to gale scholar is now provided at <http://infotrac.galegroup.com/itweb/uoj> for the readers of the University. The access is IP authenticated; readers can access to the database by browsing the computers connected in the university network of Main campus, Vavuniya campus and Faculty of engineering.



Necessary navigation is provided in the library website, <http://www.lib.jfn.ac.lk/> for accessing the database.



## User awareness seminar – Oxford University Press



Regional Training Executive from Oxford University Press visited to the Library and conducted User Awareness Program on 02.02.2018 at Seminar Hall of Main Library, University of Jaffna for the benefit of the research communities of the University. Oxford University Press has continually grown with technology advances to ensure researchers can access the latest content in the most convenient format. With over 100 years of experience producing authoritative journals.

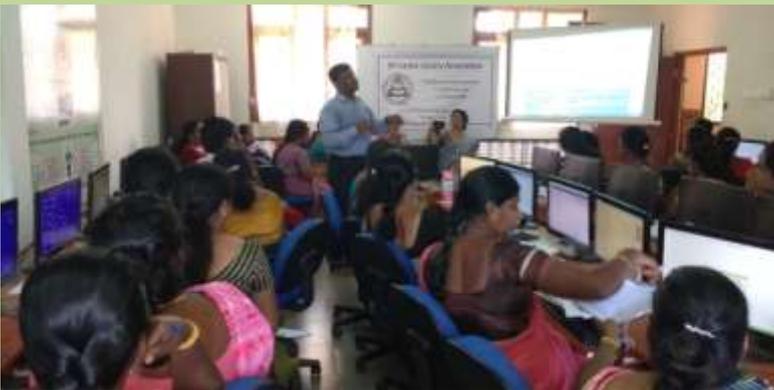


# Staff Achievements: Workshops

## Workshop on Library Automation for Teacher Librarians



Workshop on Library Automation for Teacher librarians organized by Sri Lanka Library Association held at the Mahindodaya Technological Laboratory, Jaffna/Kondavil Hindu College on 15th March, 2018 during 9.00 am to 4.30 pm.. The workshop has been sponsored by Provincial Department of Education, Northern Province and coordinated by Mr. S Ketheeswaren, Senior Assistant Librarian, University of Jaffna. Altogether 45 participants from the school libraries functioning under purview of Provincial Department of Education, Northern Province have participated to the programme.



Mr. K. Selvan, Assistant Director of Education, Department of Education, Northern Province, Ms S Arulanantham President / Sri Lanka Library Association were graced the event as guests. Introductory speech delivered by Ms. S Arulanantham, Librarian, University of Jaffna. Mr. S. Ketheeswaren Senior Assistant Librarian, University of Jaffna and Mr. R. Kupeshan and Mrs. T. Jenan Assistant Librarians of University of Jaffna were served as resource persons. The workshop covered many aspects of library automation including tools and computational environments required for automation of libraries using Koha Library system, Open source vs proprietary / commercial library soft wares, Machine Readable catalogue, Resource Description and Access (RDA).



## Study opportunity for LIS students

### Bachelor of Arts Honors in Library and Information Studies by Open University

Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences of Open University of Sri Lanka offers the Degree of BA Hons (LIS) for the three year LIS Diploma holders to develop managerial and administrative competencies and skills that are necessary to establish, maintain and run libraries.

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## Topic of the Quarter

### Koha: What? When? Why?

#### What?

Koha is an open source Integrated Library System (ILS), used world-wide by university, special, public, and school libraries. The name comes from a Maori term. The system development is based on a Community. The koha community released its first version in January 2000. The latest stable release is 17.11.05.000 as on March 23, 2018. It is written in Perl Programming Language. It supports to run on many operating systems such as Linux, window, and Mac. Its License is GNU-General Public License. Its official Website is koha-community.org.

Koha is web-based ILS, with backend SQL database with cataloguing data stored in MARC and which can accessible via Z39.50 or SRU. The user interface is friendly configurable, and has been translated and replaced with many languages. Koha has the facilities to enable most of the features that would be expected in the rays of ILS.

#### When?

Koha was created in 1999 by Katipo Communications for the Horowhenua Library Trust in New Zealand, and the first installation went live in January 2000. From 2000, companies started providing commercial support for Koha. In 2001, Paul Poulain (of Marseille, France) began adding many new features to Koha, most significantly support for multiple languages. By 2010, Koha has been translated from its original English into French, Chinese, Arabic and several other languages. Support for the cataloguing and search standards MARC and Z39.50 was added in 2002 and later sponsored by the Athens County Public Libraries.

In 2005, an Ohio-based company, Metavore, Inc., trading as LibLime, was established to support Koha and added many new features, including support for Zebra sponsored by the Crawford County Federated Library System. Zebra support increased the speed of searches as well as improving scalability to support tens of millions of bibliographic records. In 2007 a group of libraries in Vermont began testing the use of Koha for Vermont libraries. At first a separate implementation was created for each library. Then the Vermont Organization of Koha Automated Libraries (VOKAL) was organized to create one database to be used by libraries. This database was rolled out in 2011. Fifty-seven libraries have chosen to adopt Koha and moved to the shared production environment hosted and supported by ByWater Solutions. Another consortium of libraries in Vermont, the Catamount Library Network has also adopted Koha (also hosted by ByWater Solutions). Previously automated Vermont libraries used software from Follett, or other commercial software vendors.

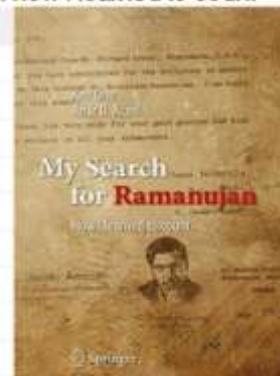
#### Why?

Why many libraries choose Koha include:

- Koha is Open Source and there are no License restrictions.
- Multiple Language Interfaces are available
- Koha complies with international standards like MARC21, ISO2709, Z39.50, etc
- Koha offers FREE SIP2 server for RFID integration
- Koha can be configured for any library's specific requirements
- Koha OPAC can also be customized with Library branding
- Koha can be integrated with email / SMS servers for alerts, notices, etc.
- Koha OPAC can be integrated with Google to display extensive information on the book

## Book for the Quarter

Title	My search for Ramanujan: how I learned to count
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### My search for Ramanujan: How I learned to count By Ken Ono & Amir D. Aczel

People of our generation grew up knowing a good deal about the Indian mathematical genius Srinivasa Ramanujan, whose mathematical analyses & predictions in number theory and related fields still influence many in Mathematics, Computer Science and Physics.

In this book, Ono, a Japanese Mathematician speaks of his initial struggle as a teenager and how he was able to overcome those difficulties, through coming to know about Ramanujan. His father, a Maths Professor, an ardent admirer of Ramanujan, had told him the remarkable story of Ramanujan's life upon receiving a letter from Ramanujan's wife, which brought tears on his unemotional father's eyes.

Eventually Ono too was inspired by coming to know more about the genius Ramanujan, which challenged him to look deep into his outstanding revelations on number theory, analysis & other related fields.

Ono writes about the struggles Ramanujan who showed exceptional talents underwent, before making contact with the Cambridge mathematician G.H. Hardy who first thought that Ramanujan wouldn't have written those formulae without proof as no one had the imagination to invent them. Through the contact with Hardy, Ramanujan was able to advance his work, which brought him worldwide recognition.

Springer who published this book has a journal in his honour - the Ramanujan Journal. It has become widely recognised today, that the remarkable discoveries made by Srinivasa Ramanujan have made a great impact on several branches of mathematics, revealing deep and fundamental connections.

Ono also thanked his other mentors who from his early youth helped him on the journey to his discoveries in Mathematics, but the most important was his discovery of his own humanity.

How many of us are inspired by great achievers and thinkers in our field and how many younger ones are we inspiring through our own example?

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# Improve your Information Literacy

Librarianship studies & information technology blog

<http://librarianshipstudies.blogspot.com/>



Librarianship Studies & Information Technology (LS&IT) is an ambitious blog that covers “studies, research, techniques, technology, best practices, and the latest news on librarianship, library and information science, and information technology.” The blog was created in 2014 by Salman Haider, a cataloging and metadata librarian, blogger, and online social media expert, who has a computer science, mathematics, and statistics background. As a proficient cataloger in

Resource Description & Access (RDA), Salman Haider is also the creator of RDA blog, RDA Bibliography, and RDA Special Topics & Materials blog. The layout of the LS&IT homepage is similar to its sister blogs.

The homepage is intuitive and easy to navigate. There is a search box at the top and bottom of the page. The posts are listed chronologically and can be browsed by month in the blog archive. They are also tagged by categories. Users can sample the quality of the posts by browsing a list of “Popular Posts” on the homepage. The frequency of the posts has been steady since 2014. The traffic is not too heavy, and the posts are visually friendly to browse at leisure. The LS&IT blog covers many subject areas in the library profession. There are numerous social media channels that users can use to follow news and updates about the blog. Users can subscribe to posts via RSS feed or email, Facebook, Twitter, Google+, Flipboard, or Pinterest.

## Thematic Photograph of the issue

View of Kankesanthurai  
**Cement Factory** in opening  
ceremony before 68 years

Cement Factory commenced operations in 1950 under the Department of Industries then converted to a Public Corporation in 1956, being named the Kankesan Cement Works.

Courtesy: “Sri Lanka” Magazine (1950)



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