AU Library: A Treasure of Knowledge

In the digital age, where information flows rapidly, Dr. V.S. Krishna Central Library at Andhra University serves as a treasure trove of ancient knowledge. It is a source of wisdom for scholars, students, and research enthusiasts. The journals receive special attention at the V.S. Krishna Library: The V.S. Krishna Library at Andhra University places a special emphasis on certain journals within its collection. These journals, renowned worldwide, are made accessible to university students and researchers based on their research needs. Dr. Sanjeevarao, a dedicated library professional, has introduced these services through a dedicated section in the library. Students can access these journals remotely through various portals, including GATE, J-STORE, DELNET, and more. The university's servers provide access to 31 portals for students, enabling them to conveniently access journals from reputable sources around the globe. Dr. Sanjeevarao facilitates access to these e-journals for both domestic and international students and also offers valuable information on various subject areas. As a Dr. V. S. Krishna Library gets ISO Certification

Dr. V. S. Krishna Library has been awarded ISO 9001:2015 certification. The ISO certification indicates that the library has met internationally recognized quality management standards. This recognition reflects the dedication and commitment of the library staff and administration in providing high-quality services and resources to the university community. It's commendable that Dr. Alapati Sivahaa and Dr. Gudipati Srinivasa Rao from HYM International Certification Pvt. Ltd. played a role in examining and awarding the ISO certificate, ensuring that the library's quality standards are in line with the requirements of ISO 9001:2015. Andhra University Vice Chancellor Prof. P.V.G.D. Prasad Reddy expressed his satisfaction and congratulated Prof. P. Venkateswara Reddy, the Chief Librarian for the importance of this achievement within the university. Rector, Prof. K. Samatha, Registrar, V. Krishnamohan congratulated Prof. Venkateswara.

AU and Radenta to Establish Animal House

AU News, September: The signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between Rodenta Bio Service and Andhra University is indeed a valuable arrangement for researchers. Such collaborations between academic institutions and private companies like Rodenta Bio Service can bring several benefits to researchers at Andhra University. AU and Radenta Bio Service can be used for analysis and research. These resources can be crucial for conducting advanced research in various fields. The partnership can facilitate joint research projects between Andhra University and Rodenta Bioservice. Collaborative research can lead to innovative solutions and discoveries. Rodenta Bioservice deals with data relevant to animal biology. Such collaborations between academic institutions and private companies like Rodenta Bio Service can bring several benefits to researchers at Andhra University.

AU Alumnus appreciates VC

AU News, September: Sri K. Venkateswara Reddy, Senior Manager at Apple Company in America, recently expressed his positive views on the development of Andhra University. During his visit to AU, he had a courtesy meeting with Prof. P.V.G.D Prasad Reddy, Vice-Chancellor, and Prof. K. Venkateswara Reddy, who holds the position of senior manager at Apple Company in America, held discussions with University officials on various developmental initiatives. Prof. Prasad Reddy explained Sri K. Venkateswara Reddy about various development programs and new projects underway at Andhra University. He explained the progress of the newly established startup hub and incubation center. This center appears to be focused on fostering innovation and nurturing entrepreneurial talent among youth. K. Venkateswara Reddy's visit and the discussions with university officials were welcomed by university community.
Andhra University, in collaboration with the Shodhganga portal, has successfully completed the digitization process, ensuring digital access to these manuscripts. Within just two years, Andhra University has digitized 15,000 historically significant documents that were deteriorating rapidly. These documents were obscured earlier due to improper maintenance of these journals and were disabled, after which the management recognized the value of these journals and started digitizing these manuscripts. These documents are now available on a cloud server, preserving invaluable manuscripts. Researchers and students from Andhra University have consistently uploaded these to this portal, with a total of 9,283 theses from Andhra University currently available. These theses play a crucial role in advancing global scientific research, and the university actively contributes to this endeavor. A significant initiative is the digitization of historical manuscripts. Andhra University’s V.S. Krishna Library houses 2.62 lakh ancient manuscripts dating back 120 to 150 years. These manuscripts are being digitized for preservation and are gradually becoming accessible through a cloud server.

Recognizing the historical importance and research potential of these treasures, Andhra University has embarked on this extensive digitization project. Acharya Vice Chancellor Prasad Reddy has initiated this program; the inauguration of this ambitious program took place in January, with former Governor Biswa Bhushan Harichandan officiating the ceremony. In addition to Telugu, Sanskrit, Tamil, Malayalam, Kannada, Bengali, Oriya, and Pali languages, a total of 2.50 lakh manuscripts are being digitized. According to library records, approximately 1,100 writers contributed these manuscripts to the university. Andhra University has successfully completed the digitization process, ensuring digital access to these manuscripts. Within just two years, Andhra University has digitized 15,000 historically significant documents that were deteriorating rapidly. These documents were obscured earlier due to improper maintenance of these journals and were disabled, after which the management recognized the value of these journals and started digitizing these manuscripts. These documents are now available on a cloud server, preserving invaluable manuscripts.

Andhra University will have access to improved academic and career opportunities. He encouraged students to enhance their classroom education by acquiring additional skills. Vice Chancellor Prof. Prasad Reddy emphasized that students who complete their education in the Geo-Engineering Department. Prof. Prasad Reddy expressed confidence in the innovative ideas of today’s generation of students, believing that they will pave the way for better opportunities in the future. He urged students to move forward with strong commitment and a clear goal in mind. Emphasizing the importance of dedication and determination. Prof. Reddy noted the increasing demand for core branches in various sectors and assured that those with the necessary abilities would find immense opportunities. The Head of the Department, Prof. Vazir Mohammed said that the department would be developed as a centre of excellence. He alsocompletion of two skill training programs for the benefit of students. The event was attended by the Principal of Engineering College, Prof. G. SaiSasibhushan Rao and others. Prof. Prasad Reddy underscored the importance of a all round education, skill development, and the pursuit of innovative ideas for students to excel in their academic and professional pursuits.
AUNews, September: A job fair was organized in Andhra University under the auspices of University Employment Information and guidance Bureau. A large number of unemployed people attended. Out of them 68 people were shortlisted. This job mela evokes good response and eligible candidates were selected for various posts in leading companies like WNS Global Services(P) Limited and Deccan Fine Chemicals India Private Limited. Mr. K. Dorababu Deputy Chief, University Employment Information & Guidance Bureau, Andhra University, conducted the Job Fair.

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AUNews, September: Hindi Department of Andhra University celebrated Hindi Diwas on September 14. Hindi Diwas is observed every year on this date to promote and celebrate the Hindi language, which is one of the most widely spoken languages in India. Prof. A. Narasimha Rao, Principal of the AU College of Arts and Commerce, inaugurated the event by lighting the lamp. In his address, he highlighted the significance of Hindi as the most spoken language in India, particularly in North India. He also emphasized that Hindi holds the status of the official language of India and is one of the 22 scheduled languages in the country. He said that central government’s efforts to promote the official language across the country was commendable. He underscores the importance of Hindi in national communication and administration. Among others Bank of Baroda Hindi Officer Suguna, K. Shanthi, Prof. N. Satyanarayana, Prof. Vijayabharathi, researchers, and students participated in the programme.

AUNews, September: Prof. Kolakaluri Enoch, former Vice-Chancellor, Sri Venkateswara University and recipient of Honorary Doctorate from Andhra University, visited Andhra University Dr.V.S.Krishna Library. His visit was a sentimental journey, as he revisited his alma mater and shared his fond memories and experiences from his time at Andhra University in the late 1950s. His words of praise and gratitude for Andhra University, referring to it as a “mother” who provided sustenance and a “goddess” who supported his development. Prof. Enoch appreciated the staff of Dr. V.S.Krishna Library for their contributions to growth of Library. He underscored the importance of expanding and improving educational resources and facilities for the benefit of the students. He said the Library was to play a significant role in this direction.

AUNews, September: Government of Andhra Pradesh organized an awareness program on “Personality Development and Career Guidance” for the students of Andhra University High School. Such programs can be immensely valuable for students as their transition from high school to further education and career choices. The specialists in Personality Development provided insights and guidance to help students develop their personalities and make informed decisions about their future education and career paths. This can be a crucial time in a student’s life, and having access to resources and information can greatly benefit them. The program was attended by the School Principal, K. Santhi, high school staff, and various officials, including B. S. Prakasa Rao, Sanyasi Rao, S. Venkatesh and others participated.

AUNews, September: The higher education department of the state has recently announced the new Executive Council for Andhra University. The newly appointed members of the Executive Council include: Prof. P. Suneetha, Professor of Meteorology and Oceanography, Prof. G. Sasibhushan Rao, Principal of AU College of Engineering, Prof. K. Durga Rani, Department of Civil Engineering, Dr. P.Anil Kumar, Principal, MR Government Sanskrit College Dr. P. Jaya, Zoology Lecturer at VS Krishna Degree College, Experts in various fields: Dr. R. Rekha, Yoga Practitioner and Academic Counsellor, Prof. B. Sambireddy, Professor of Chemical Engineering (Retired) and Sri Dasari Satyanandam, Secretary and Correspondent, Smt. Dasari Aravalamma Educational Society, Smt. Sheikh Sydoon Masuma Begum. The members of the Executive Council will be actively involved in the development and policy decisions of Andhra University. AU Vice-Chancellor Prof. PVGD Prasad Reddy, along with Rector Prof. K. Kamata, Registrar Prof. V. Krishnanmohan, Principals, and other officers congratulated the new members of the Executive Council.
**Research Projects in AU Dr. Durgabai Deshmukh Centre**

AU News, September: Various project reports for the year 2022-23 and outlines of proposed research projects for 2023-24 of Dr. Durgabai Deshmukh Centre for Women's Studies (UGC) at Andhra University were released.

The research projects include Action Research Project on Prevention of Sexual Harassment conducted by Dr. P. Usha, Director of the Centre. This project assesses and creates awareness about the prevention of sexual harassment of women in the workplace, particularly in the industrial hub. It critically analyses the Women Workforce Participation in industries. Dr. P. Usha’s study focuses on analyzing factors conducive to women’s workforce participation in the pharmaceutical industry in Parvada. Work-life Balance of Women Employees in Retail Sector: This project examines the work-life balance of women employees in selected retail stores in Visakhapatnam. Another study on the health issues faced by women in selected urban slum areas of Visakhapatnam city is taken up by the Centre. Gender Audit Report of Andhra University: (Research Assistant) worked on a project titled “Successful Indian Women - Making Mark Globally.” Proposed Action Research Projects (2023-24): Assessing and Creating Awareness on “ArogyaSree” “Asara” Health Schemes. This project aims to assess and create awareness about the health schemes “ArogyaSree” and “Asara” implemented by the Andhra Pradesh State Government in urban slum areas. Assessing and Creating Awareness on Prevention of Sexual Harassment: Another project focuses on assessing and creating awareness about the prevention of sexual harassment of women in AU-affiliated colleges is also under completion.
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AU News, September: Bolla Subrahmanyan received his doctorate in applied mathematics from the Department of Engineering Mathematics, Andhra University under the Supervision of Prof. Shanti Sundar Raju. He was Awarded PhD On the topic "Fuzzy Ideals and Filters of Semilattices." AU VC Prof. P.V.GD Prasad Reddy presented Ph.D. proceedings to B. Subrahmanyan in his chamber. Prof. Ch Shanti Sundar Raju, and research students congratulated B. Subrahmanyan for his contribution.

Rector inaugurates life Sciences Entrepreneurship program

AU News, September: The Visakha Life Sciences-Entrepreneurship-2023 program was inaugurated by AU Rector Prof. K. Samatha Prof. K. Samatha stressed the importance of students developing entrepreneurial and innovative skills. She emphasized the need for students to explore opportunities in entrepreneurship and innovation. New opportunities are emerging in the field of biology, indicating the growing potential for students and professionals in this area. Startup Incubation Systems: AU Registrar Prof. V. Krishna Mohan mentioned the establishment of startup incubation systems within Andhra University. These systems are designed to provide essential support to young individuals working on innovative ideas. The program was attended by IPR Chair IPR Chair Professor Dr. H. Purushottam, Dr. K. Anand, and Dr. Ravi kiran and faculty numbers of Life Science Departments.

Pre-Republic Day Parade Selections in AU

AU News, September: Andhra University Registrar Prof. V. Krishna Mohan said the significance of the National Service Scheme (NSS) in fostering complete personality development and its crucial role in the new education system He was speaking at the selections of Pre-Republic Day Parade to select volunteers who would participate in the Republic Day Celebrations in New Delhi. Selection Process: The selection process is being conducted in different parts of the country to choose the participants who will represent AU. This year, the West Zone Republic Camp is scheduled to be held at KL University in Guntur. Students from Andhra University will participate in the Republic Day celebrations on behalf of AU on this occasion. The event was attended by several officials, including State National Service Scheme Officers, AU NSS Coordinator Dr. N. Haranadh, Visakha District NSS Coordinator Dr. P. N. Bhagyalakshmi, and Program Officers Sheikh Meera, Dr. Lakshmi Narayana, Anita, and P. Bhaskara Rao.
AU News, September: Andhra University celebrated Engineer’s Day with great enthusiasm and reverence to Sir Mokshagundam Visvesvaraya. The celebration began with AU Vice-Chancellor Prof. P.V.G.D. Prasad Reddy garlanding the statue of Sir Mokshagundam Visvesvaraya at the office of AU Engineers. Vice Chancellor Prof. Prasad Reddy emphasized the crucial role that engineers in the economic development of the country. India’s strong technical education system has enabled Indian students to secure better employment opportunities globally, with many Indians holding prominent positions as CEOs in influential organizations worldwide. Prof. Prasad Reddy expressed his confidence in Andhra University’s role as a leading educational institution in the country, particularly in providing engineering education. The Vice Chancellor noted the significance of the engineering department at Andhra University and its vital contribution to the creation of new infrastructure for the benefit of students over the past four years. Engineers were praised for their hard work and dedication to completing projects on time, even during challenging times such as the COVID-19 pandemic. Rector Prof. K. Samatha, Registrar Prof. V. Krishna Mohan, Dean of the University Engineers Office Prof. Vazir Mohammed, University Engineer Sri R. Shankar Rao, and office staff and engineers participated in the celebrations.

AU News, September: The general body of the Andhra University Staff Cooperative Society recently took place at the AU TLN Sabha Hall. The meeting was presided over by the President of the Society, Prof. A. Pallavi. She paid homage to the founder of the society, Prof. Mullapudi. Subba Rao, and offered floral tributes to the statue of the Founder. Membership and Welfare Programs: Prof. Pallavi mentioned that the society currently has 1200 members and has implemented several welfare programs for them. The society reported a turnover of Rs. 102 crores. Additionally, there are deposits totaling Rs. 59 crores. Dividend Increase: It was decided to increase the dividend from 10 percent to 15 percent for the members. Non-teaching staff, with the amount increasing from Rs. 15 lakh to Rs. 18 lakh. For teaching staff, loans were increased from Rs. 24 lakh to Rs. 29 lakh. Loans for time-scale employees were increased from Rs. 2 lakh to Rs. 3 lakh. A total of Rs. 1 lakh will be given to 28 days employees this year. Interest Rate: The interest rate for the society’s financial transactions was reduced from 9.75 percent to 9.5 percent. Talent Awards: Members of the society awarded talent awards to 28 children who excelled in the 10th and 12th grades. The society will provide immediate assistance of Rs. 5,000 to the families of deceased members. Prof. A. Pallavi became the first female president of the society in its 65-year history. Prof. A. Pallavi said Andhra University Vice-Chancellor Prof. P.V.G.D. Prasad Reddy, Rector Prof. K. Samatha, and Registrar Prof. V. Krishna Mohan had made contributions to the growth of the society. The members of the Mahajana abha congratulated the officers and expressed their congratulations on Prof. Pallavi’s historic election as the first female president. Treasurer Dr. Siddaiah, Vice President Khadhar Baba, Joint Secretary Lakshmana Babu, and directors attended the function.