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ANNALS OF LIBRARY AND INFORMATION STUDIES

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The founder editor of the journal was S.R. Rangnathan (father of library science in India). The publication very quickly rose to become Indian’s premier library science journal

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