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USE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AMONG POSTGRADUATE PROFESSIONAL COURSE STUDENTS IN RAYALASEEMA AREA, ANDHRAPRADESH A STUDY

Dear Sir/Madam,

I have undertaken the Ph.D Programme entitled ‘USE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AMONG POSTGRADUATE PROFESSIONAL COURSE STUDENTS IN RAYALASEEMA AREA, ANDHRAPRADESH: A STUDY’ under the guidance of Prof. I. Chandraiah, Department of Library and Information Science, Tirupati. I request you to kindly fill up the questionnaire given below at your earliest convenience. The information provided by you will be kept strictly confidential and used for research purposes only.

B. OBI REDDY

QUESTIONNAIRE FOR USERS

PLEASE TICK ( ) MORE THAN ONE OPTION IF IT IS NECESSARY

PERSONAL DATA

1. Name : 

2. Sex : 
   a. Male( )  b. Female ( )

3. Name of the Institution : 

4. Course studying : 
   a. M.Tech ( )  b. MBA ( )  c. MCA ( )

5. How Frequently of visit to the library?
   a. Daily ( )  b. once in a Weekly ( )
   c. twice in a week ( )  d. once in month ( )

6. How much time do you spend in the library per day?
   a. Less than one hour ( )  b. 1 to 2 hours ( )
   c. 2 to 3 hours ( )  d. more than 3 hours ( )

7. Which of the following services of information technology you are using in the library?
   a. Computers ( )  b. Photocopying ( )  c. Printers ( )
   d. CD-ROMs ( )  e. Scanners ( )  f. Internet ( )
   g. Web OPAC ( )  h. Any other specify

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8. How frequently do you use the following?

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<td>d. Internet Café</td>
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<td>e. College Hostel</td>
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<td>e. Any other specify</td>
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10. Which of the following facilities and services of Internet are you using and its frequency?

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<td>b. E-mail</td>
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<td>c. Online reference sources</td>
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11. For what purpose, do you use Internet?
   a. For Academic
   b. For E-Mail
   c. For Research
   d. Searching jobs
   e. Chatting
   f. Any other (Please specify): ________________________________

12. Which of the following search engines do you use generally?
   a. AltaVista
   b. 9MSN
   c. Google
   d. Yahoo
   e. Any other (Please specify): __________________________________

13. Which of the following do you use for meeting your academic information needs?
   a. Google
   b. Classmates/Friends through Social Networking
   c. Professional Societies
   d. Databases
   e. Other websites

14. Which of the following sources of information do you use from the library for your academic work? Please choose more than one option
   a. Books/Monographs
   b. Periodicals
   c. Reference Sources
   d. Patents/Reports
   e. Online Journals/Database/Archive
   f. Internet/Intranet Sources
   g. Library Catalogue (OPAC)
   h. Any other

15. Does your library possess digital library facilities?  
    a. Yes ( )  
    b. No ( )

16. Are you aware of electronic information sources in your field or study?  
    a. Yes ( )  
    b. No ( )
17. Do you use Electronic Information Resources as part of your Study /Research.
   a. Yes ( )  b. No ( )  c. Can't say ( )

18. If yes, which of the following do you use?
   a. E-Journals ( )  b. E-Books ( )
   c. Web Pages ( )  d. Online databases ( )
   e. Digital repositories ( )  f. Any other, (Please specify) …………………

19. If you are using e-journals, which of the following you are using?
   a. Open access journals ( )  b. Subscribed e-journals ( )
   c. Consortium e-journals ( )  d. Any other, (Please specify) …………………

20. How often do you search Electronic Resources?
   a. Daily ( )  b. Weekly ( )
   c. Monthly ( )  d. Rarely ( )

21. Do you have sufficient Internet and network infrastructure to use web based e-resources in your library?
   a. Yes ( )  b. No ( )

22. Does your library provide NPTEL (National Programme on Technology Enhanced Learning) materials?
   a. Yes ( )  b. No ( )

23. If yes, are you using these materials for your course work?
   a. Yes ( )  b. No ( )

24. Do you know about INDEST (Indian National Digital Library in Engineering Science and Technology)?
   a. Yes ( )  b. No ( )

25. Does your library subscrib e-journals and database, through INDEST?
   a. Yes ( )  b. No ( )

26. Are you using e-journals and databases obtained through INDEST?
   a. Yes ( )  b. No ( )

27. How much are you satisfied with obtaining journal articles electronically through the Digital Library?
   a. Very Satisfied ( )  b. Satisfied ( )
   c. Somewhat Satisfied ( )  d. Not Satisfied ( )
   e. Never used it ( )
28. Does the library staff has help you to utilize the Information Technology products in your library?  a. Yes (   )    b. No (   )

29. Which of the following methods do you prefer for getting training in using IT in Library?
   a. Training or Orientation Classes (   )
   b. One-on-one consultation (   )
   c. Information Booklets (   )
   d. Any other specify:……………………………………………………………………………..

30. What are the problems encountered in the use of Information Technology in the Library?
   a. Insufficient availability of IT resources (   )
   b. Inadequate training in the use of IT (   )
   c. Non-cooperative attitude of library staff (   )
   d. Time constraint (   )
   e. Cost of utilization of IT resources (   )
   f. Obsolete equipment (   )
   g. Inadequate systems/terminals (   )
   h. Space constraint (   )
   i. Systems’ failure (   )
   j. Slow downloading (   )
   k. Any other (Please specify):……………………………………………………………………..

31. What is your opinion about the following statements?

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<th>Strongly Disagree</th>
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<td>a. I get more actively involved in courses that use IT.</td>
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activities more convenient. 

d. By the time I become post graduate, the IT I have used in my courses will have adequately helped at for the workplace. 

e. My institution’s IT services are always available when I need them for my coursework. 

f. I will procure when materials from course lectures are available online. 

32. Have you ever received any formal training or orientation in related to search for scientific/technical information? a. Yes  

b. No 

33. How much are you satisfied about the availability of information technology sources and services in you academic requirements?  
a. Satisfied  
b. Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied  
c. Dissatisfied  

34. Please give your valuable suggestions for overall improvement in use of information Technology in the library and information centres.


3. “National conference on EMERGING TRENDS IN USER EXPECTATIONS FOR NEXT GENERATION LIBRARIES”, Organised by Central Library, Dravidian University, Kuppam, Andhra Pradesh, 24-26 February 2012.


5. 2nd International Conference on applied Science Engineering and Technology organized by Swetha Institute of Technology and Science, Tirupati and Institute for Engineering Research & Publication on 18th-19th October 2016. (Participated).


7. National seminar on “social change and Inclusive Development: Capacity Building through NGO’s” organized by department of Sociology, Sri Venkateswara University, Tirupati, 6th-7th March 2014.