INTRODUCTION

A Bibliography is a key to literature in any field, as a tool it facilites. The access to bibliographical items on particular topics or in specific areas of knowledge and for specific individual purposes of seekers or users of knowledge. Here the analytical bibliography is prepared for the holdings of Edward Coronation Reading Room and Saraswathi Nilayam Library, Dharmavaram. It is the oldest library which was established before independence. For this oldest library collection, an analytical bibliography is prepared to show and extend the use of this library collection widely. It is helpful for the both library authorities and readers.

The Edward Coronation Reading Room was started in 1910 by E.N. Venkata Perumal Naidu, the then Tahsildar of Dharmavaram. The Saraswathi Nilayam was a separate reading room. It was started by two well educated families at Dharmavaram in 1893. These two reading rooms clubbed in 1926 and was named as “Edward Coronation Reading Room and Saraswathi Nilayam.” This was one of the oldest libraries which were run by the Kalajyothi Institution. Now this library is a private aided public library.

The ECRR & Saraswathi Nilayam and an open air theatre were brought under the care of Kalajyothi institution and were also registered by the name of Kalajyothi. These two are called KALAJYOTHI AND ECRR & SARASWATHI NILAYAM.”
Kalajyothi Activities

1. Kalajyothi conducts programmes like Dramas, plays. On the occasion of local, national festivals and presents prizes to the artists. It helps to encourage the artists in their field.

2. It encourages the artists to exhibit their Dramas in Dharmavaram.

3. It conducts the Kalajyothi and ECRR & Saraswathi Nilayam annual function every year and also presents the annual awards to the outstanding persons of their repeated fields.

4. It collects rent from Vilasavipani Shopping Complex.

5. It helps to purchase Games/sports equipments.

6. It purchases new books for ECRR & Saraswathi Nilayam library.

7. It conducts state level lawn Tennis, Chess, and other games to encourage them and presents prizes.

8. It acts as a mediator for readers/members and staff.

Scope

This private library being a store house of good collection of books, could not get identified to be used by the educational men. This type of old and well accessed library must be focussed to the Society through certain activities or publication. The main scope of this study is to highlight the quality of the library collection which is more useful to the literary world. It helps to achieve the wide publicity for holdings of this library.
Objectives

1. To put the collection in a systematic manner.
2. To sort out useful and worth books to the readers of this library and also the users of outside the library.
3. To identify the books which are rare and out of print from the collection of this library.
4. To list out the books which are more relevant and useful for purpose of research in literature.
5. To show the holdings of this library by literaturewise, formwise.
6. To identify periodwise published collection developed in this library.

Limitations

This study is only related to the holdings of Edward Coronation Reading Room & Saraswathi Nilayam maintained by Kalajyothi at Dharmavaram.

Methodology

The analytical bibliography is prepared by the personal verification of books in the shelves which are available in ECRR & Saraswathi Nilayam. The analytical bibliography description prepared on the basis of AACR2 physical description. Each title is given physical description of the book and provided its own library accession
number. The description contains Author, title, imprint, physical description, price and accession number of the book.

Chapterisation

The total study is divided into five chapters. The first chapter describes the concept of Bibliography, types and purposes of Bibliography. The second chapter highlights the growth and development of Edward Coronation Reading Room and Saraswathi Nilayam (ECRR & Saraswathi Nilayam) at Kalajyothi Dharmavaram.

The third chapter provides the actual analytical bibliography for the important holdings of this library.

The fourth chapter gives analysis and interpretation of the study.

The final chapter i.e., the fifth chapter carries the findings and summary.

In addition to the above chapters the annexure containing the format design for collecting of books for preparing analytical entry, bibliography.