Report on Librarian's Day Celebration on 09.08.2024

On the occasion of National Librarian's Day-2024 National Law University Delhi organised a **Book Exhibition** inaugurated by Hon'ble Vice Chancellor: Prof. Dr. G S Bajpai and Registrar: Prof. Ruhi Paul in the presence of faculty members, students and staff members. The renowned national and international publishers Oxford University Press, Cambridge University press, Taylor and France, Brill Publications, LexisNexis, Eastern Book House, Springer, Taxman participated in the Exhibition. The Book-Exhibition was appreciated by the faculty members, researchers and students are benefitted with exposure on latest publications in their respective fields.

The exhibition was followed by Round-Table discussion on "**Revamping Libraries in the New Digital Regime: Integrating Ranganathan's Principles in Modern Library Practices**".

In the Round -table discussion, two sessions on the topic **"Integrating Ranganathan's Principles in Modern Library Practices"** and **"Revamping Libraries in the New Digital Regime"** were held. The panel discussions were Chaired by Dr. Priya Rai, University Librarian NLUD. This event brought together eminent Librarians and library professionals to discuss on how to align traditional library practices with modern digital advancements while preserving the foundational principles set by Dr. S.R. Ranganathan. The panellists in the first session are Dr. Sanjiv Saraf, Deputy Librarian, Dr Harisingh Gour Vishwavidyalaya, Dr. Akash Singh, Head & Librarian, LLD, NCERT, Dr. Pooran Mal Gupta, University Librarian, CSU and Dr. R K Verma, Former Chief Scientist, CSIR. The panellists in the second session are Dr. Sanjeev Kumar, University Librarian, Dr. B R Ambedkar University, Ms. Pooja Jain, Assistant Librarian, NCERT and Dr. Samar I. Bakhshi, Assistant Librarian, NLUD. The program was coordinated by Ms. Reena Khatri and Ms. Sangita Singh.

The panellists discussed how these principles can be integrated with contemporary trends such as digital libraries, open access, and remote access to resources to ensure that libraries continue to serve as vibrant knowledge hubs in the digital age while maintaining their core values of user-centred service, adaptability, and continuous improvement.

Ranganathan's philosophy of library science continues to provide a foundational framework for understanding and managing information in the digital era. His principles advocate for accessibility, personalization, discoverability, efficiency, and growth—all of which are essential in the design and operation of modern digital platforms and AI technologies. By applying Ranganathan's timeless wisdom to the challenges of today, we can ensure that the core mission of libraries—facilitating knowledge and learning—remains relevant and effective in an increasingly digital and AI-driven world. Ranganathan's Five Laws of Library Science, established in 1931, remain profoundly relevant in the digital age, where information is increasingly accessed through digital platforms and AI technologies like ChatGPT. These principles, originally intended to guide the management of physical libraries, have evolved to offer valuable insights into the management and dissemination of digital information.