

Report on Librarians' Day Celebrations – 2025

On **12th August 2025**, a team of **40 NSS volunteers** from the B.A,BBA B.Com streams, along with NSS Programme Officer **Ms. K. Sai Deepika**, attended the **134th Librarians' Day Celebrations** at the University College of Science, Osmania University, Hyderabad. The occasion marked the birth anniversary of **Padma Shri Dr. S.R. Ranganathan**, widely recognized as the *Father of Library Science in India*.

The celebrations were hosted at the Conference Hall of the University College of Science and jointly organized by the **Bharat Ratna Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Memorial Library** (formerly Osmania University Library) and the **University College of Science, OU**. The program brought together esteemed dignitaries, faculty members, students, and library science professionals to pay tribute to Dr. Ranganathan's invaluable contributions to the field.

The event commenced with a warm welcome to the dignitaries, followed by a floral tribute to Dr. S.R. Ranganathan. The **Chief Guest, Prof. Kumar Molugaram**, Vice-Chancellor, Osmania University, delivered the inaugural address. He highlighted how the field of library sciences is evolving in the era of rapid technological advancement. Stressing on the influence of emerging tools such as **Artificial Intelligence and ChatGPT**, he noted that these technologies are revolutionizing information access, cataloguing, and academic research. He further announced and inaugurated the **Osmania University Digital Library**, a landmark initiative offering free access to over **45,000 digitized books and journals**, ensuring greater accessibility and preservation of academic resources.

Prof. S. Sudhakar Rao, Tagore Research Fellow and Retired Professor of LIS, OU, delivered a keynote lecture on the **emergence of open access** in the field of library sciences. He elaborated on how open access has transformed scholarly communication and empowered researchers with free and immediate access to knowledge. He also advised students on effective library usage, ethical research practices, and strategies to overcome modern challenges like plagiarism in the digital age.

The session also included an address by **Prof. A. R. D. Prasad**, Former Professor and Head, DRTC (Indian Statistical Institute, Bangalore), who reflected on the enduring relevance of Dr. Ranganathan's Five Laws of Library Science in today's knowledge-driven society. He connected these principles to contemporary trends in information management and technology adoption in libraries.

The event concluded with an interactive session, where students posed questions to the dignitaries, gaining clarity on the intersection of technology and traditional library practices. This exchange of ideas provided a unique opportunity for the NSS volunteers to understand how they can adapt to the changing dynamics of learning and research.

Overall, the Librarians' Day Celebrations proved to be a highly enriching experience. The participants not only honoured the legacy of Dr. S.R. Ranganathan but also acquired a deeper understanding of the evolving landscape of library sciences. They returned with renewed appreciation for libraries as dynamic centres of knowledge, as well as an awareness of how technology can be harmoniously integrated to enhance learning and research in the 21st century.



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Bharat Ratna Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Memorial Library
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University College of Science, OU

Cordially invite you to the



LIBRARIANS' DAY CELEBRATIONS, 2025

(On the occasion of 134th Birthday of
Padma Shri **Dr. S.R. Ranganathan**, Father of Library Science in India)

on Tuesday, the 12th August, 2025 at 10:30 a.m.
at Conference Hall, Univ. College of Science, O.U., Hyderabad.

Chief Guest

Prof. KUMAR MOLUGARAM

Vice-Chancellor, Osmania University, Hyderabad

Guests of Honour

Prof. S. Sudarshan Rao

Tagore Research Fellow & Retd. Prof. of LIS, OU

&

Prof. A. R. D. Prasad

(Former Professor & Head, DRTC (Indian Statistical Institute, ISI), Bangalore)

President of the Function

Prof. G. Prabhakar

Principal, University College of Science, OU

Conveners

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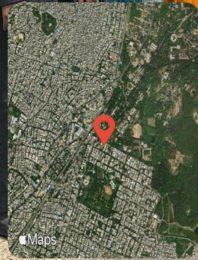
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