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## IR - Intellectual capital of our University

Dear Readers!

Happy New Year Wishes!

Welcome to our LibJOIN 2(4) - an Online Informative Newsletter of the Library, University of Jaffna.

May this New Year bring a lot of happiness and excitement into your life and may you fulfilling all your New Year's goals and resolutions this time.

Intellectual capital is very valuable asset to an Institution. University of Jaffna maintains its standard through very capable and talented human resource.

Library, University of Jaffna, maintain its Institutional Repository (IR) to showcase the intellectual outputs to the Digital world. Institutional Repository will improve long term preservation of the institution's digital assets and centralizing content in known, standardized formats. It will be a much more effective way of highlighting an institution's total academic outputs. IR is marketed scholarly communications to the academic community at the national and international level through the open access. The main reason for establishing institutional repositories is to increase the visibility of the institution's research output by making it Open Access.

IR is the prominent source to contribute for the web metric ranking of an Institution.

This is high time for us to support for the Institution by updating IR frequently and increase our individual visibility to the academic and research community.

Library opens its doors to capture the intellectual capital of our University.

Shall we get together to achieve the goal?

01.01.2019

Editorial Committee

## In focus: We have to improve our visibility to gain more



HOME ABOUT MINISTRY SCHOLARSHIPS UNIVERSITIES & INSTITUTES LAPTOP LOAN SCHEME STUDENT

University Name	Position	World Rank	Presence	Impact	Openness	Excellence
University of Colombo	1,946	2,653	3,965	1,594	2,254	
University of Moratuwa	2,415	2,116	3,487	2,163	3,480	
University of Peradeniya	2,158	4,501	6,091	1,349	2,005	
University of Sri Jayewardenepura	3,045	1,625	6,582	2,282	3,821	
University of Kelaniya	2,559	1,593	6,696	1,524	3,008	
University of Ruhuna	2,634	314	8,064	1,167	3,173	
University of Jaffna	4,004	4,547	9,910	2,367	4,361	
The Open University of Sri Lanka	4,479	1,241	9,492	2,729	5,269	
Rajarata University of Sri Lanka	6,137	1,782	13,898	4,121	3,642	



Happy New Year & Happy Christmas!

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## Vision of our Library

The Library functions as the guide to achieve the University's objectives, teaching, research and creation of new knowledge by organizing books, periodicals and other library materials in academic research and creative fields.

## Mission of our Library

The Library anticipates

1. Inculcating knowledge at student level
2. Assisting for professional development at staff level
3. Preserving the cultural heritage at society level

## EDITORIAL COMMITTEE

Mrs.T.Jenan  
AL/Engineering Library

Mr.S.Ketheeswaran  
SAL Gr II/E-Resources

Dr. (Mrs).M.Visakaruban  
SAL Gr II/Readers Services

# Infographics of the Library Performance -2018

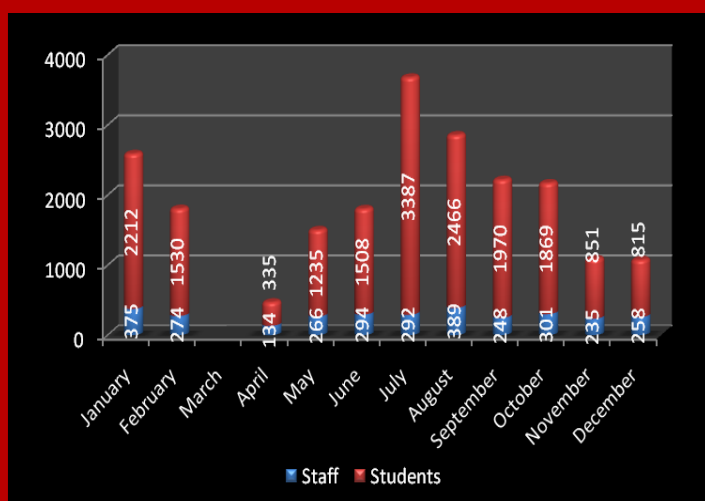
## Collection Profile as at Dec.2018

Materials	Quantity of Collections
Books Collection	265000
Thesis and Dissertations	770
Government Documents	8650
Pamphlets	8900
CDs	1300
Ola leaves	333
Micro films	38
Video cassettes	51
Serials	2500
Online Journals	>3000

## Readership Profile as at Dec 2018

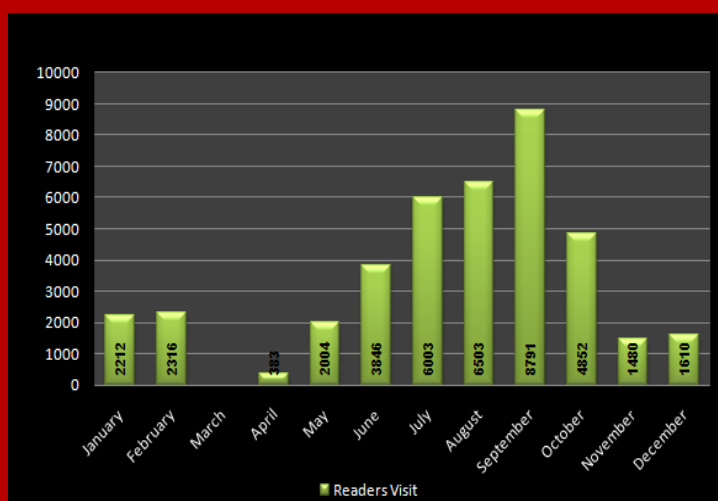
Name of the category	Registered Members
Members of Academics	397
Members of Temporary Academics	86
Members of Administrative	37
Members of Non academics	503
Members of Post Graduates	80
Members of Under graduates	7303
<b>Total</b>	<b>8406</b>

## Peak month in Circulation



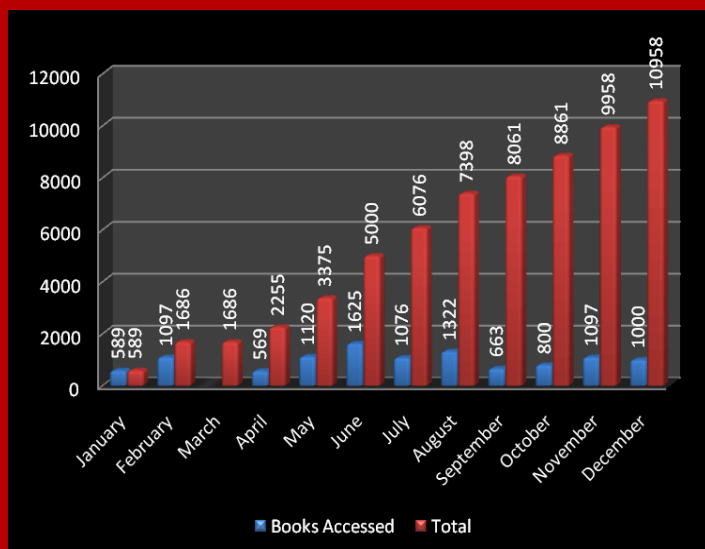
Highest number of books borrowed by readers in July

## Peak month in Readers Visits



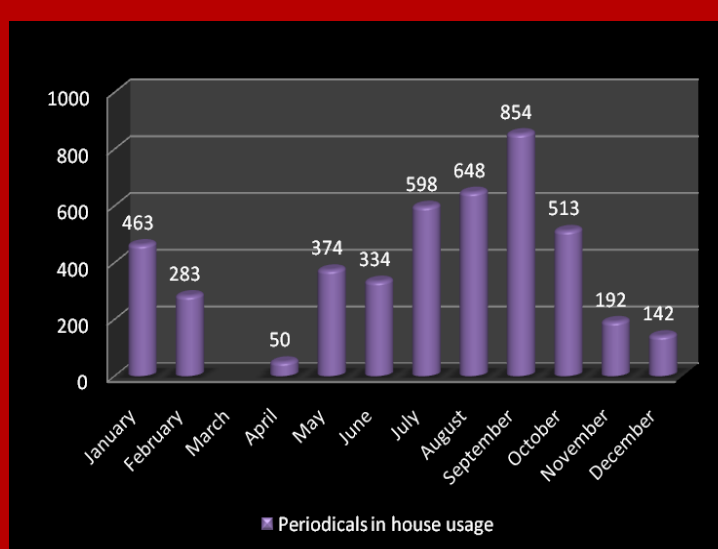
Highest number of readers visit observed in September

## Increase in Collection -2018



Totally, 10,958 materials accessed during the year 2018

## In house usage periodicals - 2018



Usage of periodicals were high during September

## Library Orientation Programmes

### Orientation Programme - Faculty of Engineering

Inaugural Orientation programme for fifth batch of students of the Faculty of Engineering held on 25.10.2018 at Engineering library. Librarian addressed to participants. 150 students participated in the programme. On their visit to the library, students were trained on how to familiarize with different types of reading materials, and ways of using them and the means of locating the document with the help OPAC. Mrs.T.Jenan, Assistant Librarian, coordinated the programme.



### Library Orientation Programme – Department of Law, Faculty of Arts



Orientation programme for Law students of the Faculty of Arts held on 19.12.2018 at Kailasapathy Auditorium. Librarian delivered her inaugural address to the new readers from the department of Law. More than 75 new intake students participated in the programme. Following day Mr.S.Navaneethakrishnan, Senior Assistant Librarian, delivered library orientation lecture for the students to familiarize with different types of reading materials, arrangement, and ways of using them and the means of locating the document with the help OPAC.



## Library Orientation Programme – Ramanathan Academy of Fine Arts

Orientation programme for students of the Ramanathan Academy of Fine Arts held on 25.10.2018 at RAFA library. Librarian delivered inaugural addressed to the new students participated in the programme. Dr.(Mrs.) M.Visakaruban, Senior Assistant Librarian, delivered orientation lecture with the introduction to library to familiarize with different types of reading materials, and ways of using them and the means of locating the document with the help OPAC.



## Workshop on E-resources and Reference manager

A workshop on " e-resources and reference manager " jointly organized by Library University of Jaffna and Jaffna Science Association section B, with the objectives of create awareness among final year research students on different e-resources, subscribed databases and searching techniques. Also it covered how to use reference manager Mendeley, and facilitate them for their theses writing. Nearly 80 students were participated in this workshop.



## Workshop on Prevention of Gender Based violence in Higher Educational Institutions

Four of our Library Information Assistants Mr.V.Nisanth, Mrs.S.Sakthivel, Mrs.P.Sinthuja, Mr.K.Ahilan and one of our binder Mr.S.Sivasarman participated in the Workshop on Prevention of Gender Based violence in Higher Educational Institutions held on 19.12.2018 in the University of Jaffna organized under the Water and Society Project funded by NORHED Programme of Government of Norway.



## Staff Achievements: Research Conference - ICDA 2018



The fourth International Conference on Dry Zone Agriculture (ICDA 2018) organized by Faculty of Agriculture, University of Jaffna on 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2018. Senior Assistant Librarian Mrs. Latha Umachankar presented a paper titled "To Influence of Media Exposure in relation to capital access among peninsula female headed households pursuing Agriculture" and Assistant Librarian Mrs.Thivya Janen presented on "Mapping of Research Publications on Food Security: A Scientometric Analysis".



## Rank of our University in "unirank"

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# Institutional Review team visit to our Library

Quality Accreditation Council from UGC made their Institutional review visit to University of Jaffna from 8th to 13th October 2018. The team visited main library and its branch libraries at Medical faculty, Engineering Faculty and Agriculture Faculty to observe the facilities.

UGC appointed 8 members team including Senior Professors and Professors from various universities in Sri Lanka and one international member from Russia. Review team elevated the university under 10 criteria. Library has been evaluated based on available learning resources, facilities available to students and qualitative progression.



After the meeting with librarian and all other staff members of the library, they visited various sections of the library to observe the availability of resources and interviewed some readers for their feedback.

Considering the increase of student enrollment, they advice to increase the seating capacity by utilizing all three stories of the current building and need of conducting series of orientation programme for new students were recommended and also appreciated existing e-library system for the university.



At Engineering and Agriculture Faculties



At Medical Library



They recommended maintaining conducive environment to stakeholders even with the available minimum physical resources during the visit.

## Topic of the Quarter: Documentation Services in our Library

We should value our heritage and history. Numbers of historical societies, libraries, archives, museums and other organizations in Sri Lanka have endeavored to preserve this heritage. Yet many serious issues remain to be addressed. There are significant gaps in our historical documentation, leaving important industries, events, people, culture and organizations virtually undocumented, and therefore unknowable for the future.

Sri Lanka's historical, and religious records can and should become an enduring resource for generation to come. Library University of Jaffna took its responsibility to give hand to preserve its own archival collections through documentation and digitization services. This service was started with our Librarian's guidance and support.

### 01 Select the document.



### 02 Scanning methods.



### 03 preservation type



Now it reached up to good number of digitized materials.

- Books- 136
- Thesis- 296
- Manuscripts - 251
- Ola leaves- 02
- Images - 2556
- Newspapers - 04
- Pamphlets- 102
- Souvenir - 22

All above digitized materials were available on DVD at the e-resources unit.

**இறாக்கையிலிருந்து எண்மியப்படுத்தப்பட வேண்டிய நூல்கள் மற்றும் ஆவணங்களை தெரிவு செய்தல்**

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**இந்துசாதனம்**

## Staff Achievements: Appointments and Retirements



**Mrs.S.Selvakumar Senior Staff Assistant has retired from the services on 03.11.2018. Library organized a farewell celebration for her on 26.10.2018.**

**Library, University of Jaffna; gratefully acknowledge her sincere and dedicated service to the library.**



**Library warmly welcomes and congratulates newly promoted Library Information Assistants and expects sincere dedicated service from them.**



**Mr.J.Mayavan**



**Mr.M.Sasikaran**



**Mr.S.Kantharuban**

# Library celebrated "Saraswathi Pooja" during Navaratri



Saraswathi Pooja celebration was observed by the Library Community on 19.10.2018 at the Library lobby. Staff and students actively participated in this event. The celebrations took place at the Medical, Agriculture and Engineering libraries too.

Navaratri is a historic and religious tradition of Hindus, focusing on goddesses Durga, Lakshmi, and Saraswati. It is further a cultural and social festival that marks celebration of various performing arts. In Knowledge and educational approach, the term Navaratri implies the celebration of Hindu goddess in her more peaceful form such as Saraswati – the Hindu goddess of knowledge.



## THEMATIC PHOTOGRAPH OF THE ISSUE



Front view of an ancient Tamil News paper: "Elanadu"

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