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Digital library services at RKMM library : An overview

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Abstract:-

Digital library service is the bringing prestige of traditional library concepts. It is an important tool for research students and teachers. The paper highlights a digital library services and focus on various forms of electronic resources.

Key words: Digital library, RKMM Library.

Introduction:-

Digital library play an important role in providing so many services in college libraries which makes more effective and having more quality. Digital library including to digital information collection, graphical data, scan images and graphics audio and video recordings. Digital library is library in which collection are stored in digital formats, which use through the computers. The information stored in the library should have a topic common to all the data. Digital library will be at the heart of every type of library in the future.

What is digital library:

A digital library is a collection of information that is stored and accesses electronically. The information stored in the library should have a topic common to all the data. A digital library must keep topics separate; otherwise it would be totally useless. Digital library is support users in dealing with information objects.

Digital library is organized collection of different types of resources. Digital library is not a single entity.

Definition:

In online dictionary of library and information science digital library has been defined as "A library in which a significant proportion of the resources are available in machine readable format, as opposed to print or microform". (1)

"Digital library could be referred to as computerized network system where all the information is stored in electronic format which can be accessed and transmitted through networks enabling retrieval of desired information by a large number of users". (2)

Need of digital library:

E-documents are available for downloading in personal computers of the users. A very large amount of information can be stored in e-documents in comparison to printed document. The trend of globalization and free marketing increase global competition in all fields.

Requirements:

Some of the requirements for a digital library:

1. Computer: server, UPS, P. C. with multimedia etc.
2. Printer: Digital graphic printer, Barcode reader/Printer, Dot matrix printer etc.
3. Network: LAN, MAN, WAN, Wi-Fi, Internet etc.
4. Software: Any suitable software, which is interconnected and suitable for LAN and WAN connection.

5. Scanner: H.P. Scan jet, Flatbed, Digital camera etc.

Digital library services:

Followings are digital library services: OPAC, circulation, acquisition, serial control, Current Awareness Service (CAS), E-Books, Electronic Thesis and Dissertations.

OPAC:

OPAC means Online Public Access Catalogue. The OPAC is a catalogue of holding list of RKMM library which includes books, proceedings and thesis etc. The bibliographic details and availability status of any of the documents can be retrieved through simple search using word or phrase from title, author etc. The search facility also tells availability of each item for circulation.

Circulation:

Generates overdue reminders and before the due date, online printing, inter-library loan, stock verification, online queries regarding circulation and generation of various reports.

Acquisition:

RKMM library is using LIBRERIA library automation software for acquisition of books. LIBRERIA is a group of multi-user library management system. Acquisition system, cataloguing system, circulation system are the key features. Acquisition basically deals with selection and ordering of books and other library materials such as reprint articles etc.

Serial control:

Various function include like subscription renewal, extension, invoice processing, registration, claims monitoring, online queries and online report generation.

CAS (Current Awareness Services):

RKMM library provide to user CAS service such as list of recent arrivals, special bibliographic and other facility. List may either be alphabetical under author or title under subjects.

E-Books: E-Books are books are available in digital format. Library has 19 E titles in different subject. E-Books are ordered online and delivered electronically to your computer.

Electronic Thesis and Dissertation:

Electronic Thesis and Dissertation is one of the services of RKMM library RKMM library firstly all student thesis and dissertation scan in pdf Format and than upload to library website.

Conclusion:

Libraries are not going to replace the physical existence of document completely but no doubt to meet the present demand to satisfy the non local user digitization must be introduced so that at least libraries becomes of hybrid nature. The future of library and digital library information services is closely connected to the digital age.

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