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**ALL INDIA INSTITUTE OF MEDICAL SCIENCES (AIIMS),
KALYANI**



DR. A.P.J. ABDUL KALAM LIBRARY

**is
Organising**

**6th International Conference of
Central Government Library Association
(SLSN 2027)**

On

**"Smart Libraries for Smart Nation: Innovation and
Inclusive Knowledge for Viksit Bharat @2047"**

28-30 January, 2027

Kalyani, West Bengal

**Venue: Dr. B. C. Roy Auditorium,
All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), Kalyani**



Dear Colleague,

We are glad to inform you that the Central Government Library Association, Kolkata Branch will organize the 6th International Conference in collaboration with Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Library, at the All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), Kalyani during **January 28 to 30, 2027**. It is an indeed a great pleasure for us to organize this memorable International level professional event at AIIMS Kalyani and invite you to participate in the conference and make this conference a grand success.

About Kolkata

Kolkata is the capital of West Bengal and also is the cultural capital of Eastern India. Besides being an educational hub for Eastern India, Kolkata is the place of the largest library in Asia, National Library of India and many other renowned libraries like Asiatic Society Library, Indian Museum Library, Geological Survey of India library, Botanical Survey of India libraries etc. Kolkata is known as "City of Joy" and the city has several tourist attractions like the Indian Museum, Museum of Word at the campus of National Library, Victoria Memorial Hall, Science City, Kalighat and Dakhineswar Temple, Belur Math etc.

About Kalyani

Kalyani is a small town located in the Nadia district of the state of West Bengal in India. Reputed as one of the most planned, progressive and green cities within the state of West Bengal, Kalyani forms the administrative headquarters of the subdivision of Kalyani. Placed along the northern most part of the Kolkata metropolitan region on the Hooghly river bank, it is an important industrial and educational centre in the state. This beautiful town near to Kolkata, the capital of West Bengal has been the residential choice for many people who want to live in a pollution free, green environment and near to the metropolis. Kalyani was originally the location of an American military airbase during the Second World War. At that time, it was called the Roosevelt Nagar or Roosevelt Town. Even today, if the visitor casually walks around the township, he/she would chance upon some war remnant like military barracks, army hospital, air force station and tractor garages. The development of Kalyani as a planned city started during the early 1950s as a dream project of Dr. Bidhan Chandra Roy, the second honourable chief minister of post-independence West Bengal.

The town has transformed over the span of its existence and at present it can be easily counted among the developed towns of not only West Bengal but also of India. The town has also received the award of the "Cleanest Town of India" in the early 2000s. Recently, it has also gained the status of a "Smart City" and an "Educational Hub". The town is slowly moving towards cosmopolitanism embracing people from all over, due to the presence of number of educational institutions and medical facilities.

The town covers a geographical area of about 29.14 sq. kms. and is principally divided into two blocs- Kalyani Shilpanchat and Kalyani Shilpanchal. Kalyani Shilpanchal is conceived primarily as an industrial area and it has numerous large and small industrial units like Kalyani Breweries (UB Group), Andrew Yule and Company, International Ferrites Limited (IFL), K.R. Steel, Tele Linc Nicoo, Indian Oil Corporation, Dabur, West Bengal Filaments and Lamps and many others created in its different blocks.

Kalyani, including Kalyani Ghoshpara and Kalyani Simanta has four important centres of higher education including the **University of Kalyani**, **Bidhan Chandra Krishi Viswavidyalaya (BCKV)** (Agricultural University), **Maulana Abul Kalam Azad University of Technology (MAKAUT)**, **Netaji Subhas Open University (NSOU)**. Besides, Kalyani has numerous other centres of general, special and technical education which include Kalyani Mahavidyalaya, B.Ed. College, Govt. Engineering College, Telecom Training Centre W.B.N.V.F. Training Center Institute of Pharmacy, Health and Family Welfare Training Centre, B.S.F. Training Institute, State Institute of Panchayet & Rural Development (SIPRD) and numerous primary, secondary and higher secondary schools.

Kalyani hosts several prominent Central Government and National Institutes of Importance focusing on medical care, higher technical education, and advanced scientific research like **All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Kalyani (AIIMS Kalyani)**, **Indian Institute of Science Education and Research Kolkata (IISERK)**, **Indian Institute of Information Technology, Kalyani (IIIT Kalyani)**, **National Institute of Biomedical Genomics (NIBMG)** and **Netaji Subhash Regional Institute for Cooperative Management (NSRICM)**.

About Central Government Library Association

Central Government Library Association was established in May 2004 and was registered under the Societies Registration Act, 1961 in Nov 2004. This association has headquarter at Dehradun and has established its branch offices at Delhi, Nagpur and Kolkata. The Association started functioning with the aim of overall benefit of Library professionals. CGLA gives a suitable platform to the Library professionals for learning, deliberating and enhancing their professional skills by organising various workshops and conferences from time to time in different places of the country.

Due to association of individuals from Central Government Institutes, that are specialists in various fields, the association provides an ideal platform to deliberate on issues confronting us in our quest for sustainable development process.

The Association speaks with authority as the voice of Central Govt. Library Professionals and it aspires as it is the representative body of all Librarians & Information professionals from Central Govt. departments under the Govt. of India.

CGLA has consistently promoted professional development, knowledge exchange, and policy dialogue through Seven National and Five International Conferences.

Its earlier International Conferences include the 5th International Conference of CGLA held during 17–19 October 2024 on ***"Taking Pride in Legacy – Libraries and Archives for Viksit Bharat"*** at IGNC, New Delhi.

CGLA (Kolkata) Branch hosted the First International Conference held during 9th and 10th February, 2018 in collaboration with **The Institution of Engineers (India), Kolkata**, and IFLA Asia and Oceania Section and Government Libraries Section on the ***"Recent Trends, Challenges and Opportunities of Government and Public Libraries in India"*** and 6th National Conference on the ***"Emerging Challenges and opportunities of Central Government Libraries in the Digital Era"*** at the Indian Museum, Kolkata during 22-23 January, 2016.

About All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), Kalyani

All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) Kalyani was officially approved, under the Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojana (PMSSY), by the Union Cabinet on October 07, 2015. The Institute was approved to be established over a span of 179.82-acre land on National Highway – 34 around 50 km from Kolkata, in the village of Basantapur, near Kalyani, District Nadia, West Bengal.

The Institute was established by the Central Government in exercise of the powers conferred by the provision to sub-section (1) of Section 3 of the All India Institutes of Medical Sciences Act, 1956 (25 of 1956) as per Ministry of Health and Family Welfare notification dated 24th January, 2018.

AIIMS Kalyani is an Institute of National Importance set up with the aim to address imbalances at three levels – regional, specialties, and ratio of medical doctors to nurses and other healthcare professionals. It intends to develop patterns of teaching in undergraduate and postgraduate medical education in all its branches so as to demonstrate a high standard of medical education to all medical colleges and other allied institutions in India.

In phase-I, AIIMS Kalyani is proposed to be a 960 bedded hospital equipped with all modern facilities. To further enhance healthcare delivery, AIIMS Kalyani lays special emphasis on Alternate Systems of Medicine, AYUSH. In subsequent phases, AIIMS Kalyani is likely to widen the spectrum of services through the expansion of various super-specialty departments.

Dr. Chitra Sarkar, Professor, Department of Pathology, and Dean (Research), AIIMS, New Delhi, was nominated as the first President of AIIMS Kalyani, in 2018. Presently, Prof. (Dr.) Y K Gupta is the President and Prof. (Dr.) Arvind Sinha is the Executive Director, All India Institutes of Medical Sciences Kalyani.

AIIMS Kalyani started its first academic session from September 04, 2019, with a batch of 50 MBBS students.

Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Library

The **Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Library** was inaugurated on **8th March 2021** by **Prof. Dr. Ramji Singh, Former Executive Director of AIIMS Kalyani**. This library is a learning resource center, being an integral part of the academic and research work and continues to expand its collection in print and digital form. It also designs and delivers innovative services to support teaching, learning, research, and other scholarly activities.

The Central Library established an E-Library which manages knowledge, both in print and digital formats and ensures seamless discovery and access to the scholarly resources to the faculty, students, and staff with the professional support to find, evaluate, manage, and use such resources. It provides high-quality ambiance for both reflective and collaborative work and study. The library extensively uses social media for improved communication and interaction. This is the reflection of library's continuous engagement with its users as a valuable partner in their learning and research.



The Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Library is equipped with all modern facilities like FOLIO Automation Software, RFID based Kiosks, Security Gates. The Library ranks one of the top AIIMS in India with regard to adoption of Discovery Services and rich collection of information resources in online medical databases, e-journals, e-books, medical research and education research support tools, and printed material related to medical sciences and a varied range of services like reference and consultation, membership, and dissemination of user-centric needs.

The Library building consists of three floors (Ground, First & Second floors) with a carpet area of 2,608.596 square feet and seating capacity of approx. 250 persons. Presently, the library is open from 8AM-10PM, 7 days a week.

Accessibility

All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Kalyani is well connected to Kolkata via Rail and the distance by road is about 50 Km. The approx. travel time by road ranges from 45 mins from Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose International Airport (CCU) in Kolkata via the Belghoria Expressway and NH-12 or Kalyani Expressway,

About the Conference

The Central Government Library Association, Kolkata, is organising the 6th International Conference in collaboration with Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Central Library, All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), Kalyani, West Bengal from **28-30 January, 2027**.

Objectives

The theme of the conference "*Smart Libraries for Smart Nation: Innovation and Inclusive Knowledge for Viksit Bharat @2047*". The conference aims to examine the emerging role of government libraries, with a special reference to medical libraries as knowledge partners in healthcare education, clinical practice, research, and evidence-based decision-making. It seeks to deliberate on the professional, technological, and service-related challenges faced by medical and other librarians and to identify practical strategies for strengthening access to quality biomedical information, digital health resources, research support services, and user-centred information delivery.

The Conference will provide a focused platform for all the librarians, faculty members, researchers, policymakers, technology partners, students, and other stakeholders to exchange ideas, share best practices, and discuss innovations in library services. It will encourage collaboration for developing smart, inclusive, and technology-enabled libraries that can support teaching, learning, research productivity, and national information goals.

Subthemes

Medical Librarianship
Medical Information Systems & Services
Artificial Intelligence, IoT & Libraries
Innovation & Inclusive Knowledge, Smart Libraries
Cybersecurity & Ethical Dimensions
Current Government of India Policies, Decisions and Initiatives on Library & Information Services in Public, Academic and Special Libraries
Scenario of LIS Education in India
Categorization Formula and Cadre Structure of the Central Government Library Professionals
Innovation and Leadership in Libraries
Preventive, Restorative and Curative Conservation of Documents
Digitization of documents for future generation
Planning, Development and Management of Digital Libraries
New Technologies and its Adaptability in Libraries
Resource sharing and Networking: One Nation One Subscription (ONOS)
Content Organization and Knowledge Management
Information Storage and Retrieval for global access
IPR issues in Digital Era
Innovative services to attract Users
Indigenous Knowledge System of India
Grievances of Librarians of Govt. Libraries
Ethics in Information Science
Library Marketing and Outreach
Artificial Intelligence in Libraries
Institutional Repositories

The list is indicative and not exhaustive in coverage. The contributors can send their papers on any of the subthemes given besides any topic of their interest relevant to the themes and sub-themes. Original papers on the areas of interest are invited.

Multi-Disciplinary Open Category

Any Students, Faculty of any Medical Discipline, Professional Disciplines like Engineering & Technology, Agriculture or any other General Disciplines like Basic Sciences, Applied Sciences, Humanities, Social Sciences can submit papers, related with their subject areas in connection with **Vikshit Bharat @2047**

Commemoration of the 125th Birth Anniversary of Bharat Keshari Dr. Syama Prasad Mookerjee





Papers are also invited on the “**Life and Contribution of Syama Prasad Mookerjee in Politics, Industrialisation, Education and Culture**” and “**Formation of the State of West Bengal**” to commemorate the 125th Birth Anniversary of Bharat Keshari Dr. Syama Prasad Mookerjee

Award Category

CGLA proudly recognises the achievements of current and retired library professionals who have made significant contributions to the field of library and information science. Through our awards program, we celebrate their valuable impact on the development of Libraries and Library Professionals.

The dedicated Award Committee will evaluate the valuable contribution of the nominated group of selected Library Professionals who have played a significant role in advancing Libraries and Library Professionals in the field. Their exceptional contributions in Administration, Technology, Training, Pay and Allowances etc. has been instrumental in enhancing the quality of Libraries and Library Professionals.

Eligibility criteria for nominations for the Awards are given below:

1. The Library Professionals working/worked in the Central Government organisation / State Government organisation / Autonomous Institution under the Central Government / Libraries of Public Sector Undertaking, etc.
2. The candidate should have contributed in innovation/ leadership /research and scholarly excellence in the field of library and information services.

Note: - The member of the Award Committee will not be considered / eligible for the nomination.

Categories of Award

Best Library Leadership Award 2027

This Award is for the Library Professionals working in the Central Government Organisation / State Government organisation / Autonomous Institution under the Central Government / Libraries of Public Sector Undertaking, etc.

Library Professionals should have an overall Leadership quality in the Library and Information Science.

Life-Time Achievement Award 2027

This Award is for Retired Library Professionals who have worked in the Central Government Organisation / State Government organisation / Autonomous Institution under Central Government / Libraries of Public Sector Undertaking, etc.

Best Library Professional Award 2027 - General

This Award is for working in the Central Government Organisation / State Government organisation / Autonomous Institution under the Central Government / Libraries of Public Sector Undertaking/ Academic Libraries, etc.

The Library Professionals who have given their extraordinary input to develop the policy and planning for Libraries and Library Professionals.

Best Young Librarian Award-2027

This Award is for Library Professionals Working in the offices of Central Government organisations / State Government organisations / Autonomous Institutions / Academic Libraries under Central Government / Libraries of Public Sector Undertaking, etc., and who are below the age of 40 Years.

The Library Professional who has given his / her extraordinary input to develop the policy, planning and information technology for Libraries and Library Professionals.

Best Public Librarian Award-2027

This Award is for Library Professionals Working in the Public Libraries (Government, Govt. Sponsored or Non-Govt. Non-Sponsored) under the Ministry of Culture, Government of India or under any State Government or Union Territories in India.

The Library Professionals who have given their extraordinary input to develop the policy and planning for Public Libraries and Library Professionals.

Guidelines for Paper Submission

1. Full paper may be submitted with an abstract in approximately 2500 words, keywords and references on A4 size paper with margin 1cm on all side MS Word format in 12 points New Times Roman type single line spacing. Bibliographic references should be given at the end of the article under the heading Reference in APA style.
2. The papers should be based on research surveys; case studies or action plans rather than theoretical explanations. After acceptance, Registration Form and Copyright Declaration Form, downloaded from <http://cgla.org.in> should be submitted electronically at e-mail:- cglaconference@gmail.com.
3. Details such as the name of the author, designation, title of the article, abstract, name of affiliating institution, mailing address, telephone number and e-mail address are to be included. The contributors will get intimation regarding the acceptance of the paper by the Editorial Committee for Conference Presentation. All accepted papers will be published in a pre-conference volume with ISBN by a Reputed Publisher.
4. The Paper should be accompanied by an amount of Rs.1000/- (Rupees One thousand only) as per submission fee, which will be adjusted with Registration Fee.

Once a paper is submitted, no change/modification/addition in authorship will be allowed.

Who Should Attend?

Librarians; Library and Information Science (LIS) Professionals; Faculty in LIS; Educational Technology and Information Technology; Knowledge Seekers; Leaders in Knowledge Industry; Research Scholars; Content Management Experts; Information Management Experts; Professional Staff of IT Companies; Industrialists; Technology Managers; Media Experts; Knowledge Centre Managers and Knowledge Managers, etc

In the Multi-disciplinary Open category, any Students, Faculty of any Medical Discipline, Professional Disciplines like Engineering & Technology, Agriculture or any other General Disciplines like Basic Sciences, Applied Sciences, Humanities, Social Sciences can participate.

Registration

The registration fees include Conference kit, breakfast, lunch only
Registration Fees (Without accommodation):

Sl. No.	Registration Type	Reg. Fees for Conference
1.	International delegates (With kit)	\$ 90
2.	Individual (Deputed/Sponsored)	₹ 5000.00
3.	Individual (With kit)	₹ 3500/-
4.	Individual (Without kit)	₹ 3000/-
5.	Accompanying family members (without Kit)	₹ 1500/-
6.	Research Scholars/CGLA Members	₹ 1600/-
7.	Students (Recommended by the Head of Department of their Universities/Institute)-Without Kit	₹ 300.00/
8.	Pre-Conference Workshop	₹ 500.00





Payment may be made by Online/Cash/DD/Multi-City cheque may be made in favour of "CENTRAL GOVERNMENT LIBRARY ASSOCIATION" payable at Kolkata. No TA& DA will be paid by the organisers. Registration will also be available on the spot. Bank details for online remittance: -

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Climate & Clothing

The Climate and weather conditions of Kalyani during the month of January will be cold. The delegates are advised to bring light woolen clothes.

Accommodation

The accommodation will be available on payment basis with one month advance intimation. Accommodation will also be arranged in the Hotels/Guest Houses on payment basis with 10 days advance intimation. The approximate tariff rates per day in the average hotels are Rs 1000 to 1200 (on double occupancy basis) and Premium Category Rs.2000-3000 on (double occupancy basis).

Important Dates

*Submission of
Abstracts*

**30 SEPT
2026**

*Confirmation of
Acceptance*

**10 OCT
2026**

*Submission of
Full Paper*

**15 NOV
2026**

*Last Date of
Registration*

**31 DEC
2026**

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Exhibition of Library Resources and Technologies

There will be an **Exhibition of Library Resources and Technologies** as an integral part of the conference. The exhibition will showcase emerging products, services, and solutions relevant to smart libraries, including library automation systems, digital library platforms, institutional repositories, discovery services, e-resource management tools, RFID and smart access technologies, research support tools, plagiarism detection systems, AI-enabled knowledge services, and assistive technologies for inclusive access. Such an exhibition would provide participants with an opportunity to interact with technology providers, explore practical innovations, and identify suitable solutions for strengthening medical libraries and knowledge-resource centres in line with the needs of modern healthcare education and research

Pre-Conference Workshop

Date: 27-28 January, 2027

1. Workshop on Medical Librarianship

Medical librarians, also known as health information professionals, medical information specialists, or multiple variations thereof, find, analyse, provide access to and present critical information that improves patient care and supports health and medical education, research, and publication.

They work in many different settings, including academic medical libraries, hospitals, corporate libraries (such as those in pharmaceutical and device manufacturing companies), and insurance companies. Their patrons range from the general public to medical students, to doctors, and nurses and others in health-related fields.

The main objective of this Workshop is to orient the participants about the basics of Health Sciences librarianship and to make them aware about the various tools and techniques of Medical Librarianship.

Eligibility: Information Professionals working in Medical Colleges, Nursing Colleges Hospitals, Pharmaceutical Companies BLIS/MLIS Passouts

Registration Fees: Rs.500/- (including Kit Bag, Lunch, Tea Snacks)