

KNOWLEDGE QUEST

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June 2026

**5 DAYS OFFLINE WORKSHOP FOR
LIBRARIANS OF ERNAKULAM REGION**

15 June 2026 - 19 June 2026



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DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE



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Dear Participants,

It is a matter of great pleasure to present 'Knowledge Quest', the newsletter of the Librarians' 5 day Offline Training Programme held at KVS ZIET Mysuru from 15 to 19 June 2026. This workshop has provided a valuable platform for librarians to explore role of librarians in implementing NEP 2020, innovative best practices, digital technologies, and Artificial Intelligence tools that can transform libraries into vibrant centres of learning. I am confident that the knowledge and skills gained during this programme will inspire meaningful changes in school libraries and strengthen reading culture among students. I congratulate the editorial team for documenting the workshop journey through this newsletter and extend my best wishes to all participants in their future endeavours.



THE CATALYST LOUNGE



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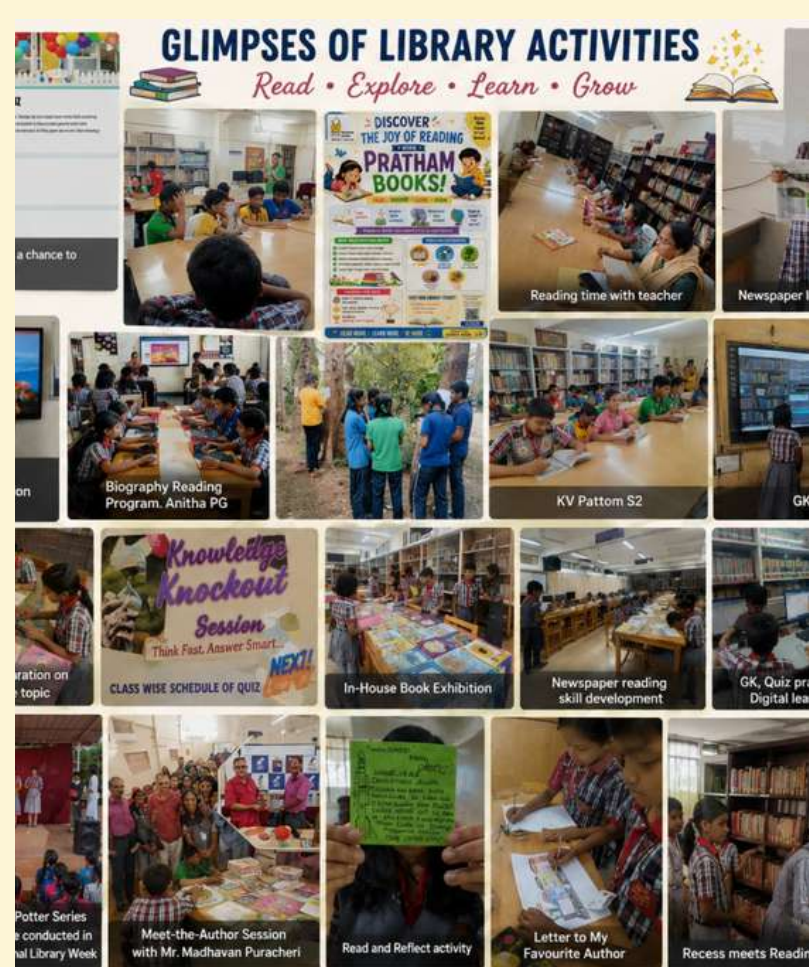
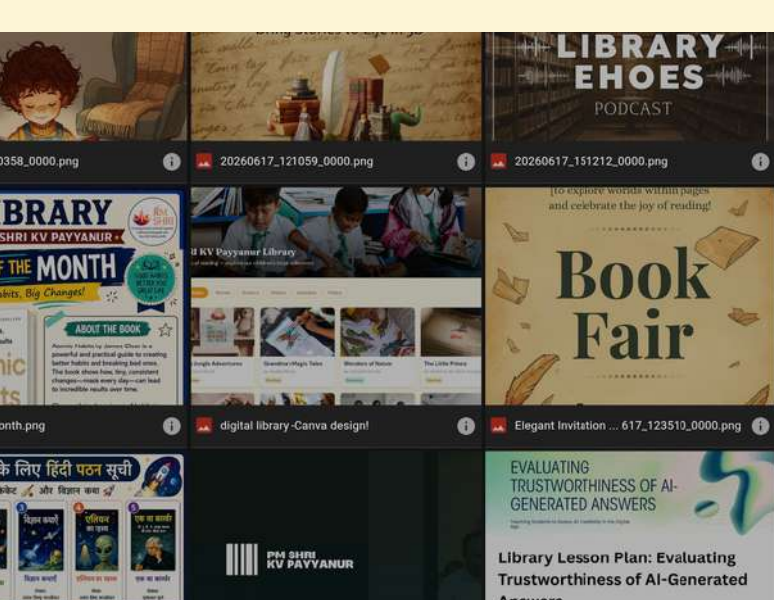


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WORKSHOP HIGHLIGHTS

The workshop provided librarians with hands-on experience in digital technologies and AI tools, enhancing their skills to create innovative and learner-centered library services.

INAUGURATION 15.06.2026





DAY 1

JUNE 15, 2026

Day 1 of the Librarians' Workshop focused on innovative strategies to promote reading culture and student engagement. Sessions on the modernization of readership programmes introduced contemporary approaches to reading promotion using digital tools and interactive methods. The segment on readership programmes through classroom activities highlighted curriculum-integrated reading practices that encourage active participation and critical thinking among students. The art-integrated readership programme demonstrated creative ways of connecting literature with visual and performing arts to enhance reading experiences. The workshop also explored career guidance in libraries, presenting practical ideas such as career corners, interest surveys, storytelling, skill-development activities, career resources, and guidance tools to support students' future aspirations. The sessions were enriching and provided librarians with actionable strategies to strengthen reading habits and career awareness among learners.

5 DAYS OFFLINE WORKSHOP-ENHANCING LIBRARY SERVICES THROUGH AI , E-GRANTHALAYA AND READERSHIP PROGRAMMES



Participants were introduced to contemporary readership promotion programmes integrating AI-powered tools, digital reading platforms, book trailers, online quizzes, interactive reading experiences, and innovative engagement strategies designed to foster reading habits, enhance literacy skills, and cultivate a lifelong love for reading among students



READERSHIP PROGRAMMES THROUGH CLASSROOM ACTIVITIES

The session showcased "The Living Library" model, highlighting innovative readership programmes such as SEED, SPROUT, SAPLING, and TREE that cultivate reading habits, critical thinking, creativity, and lifelong learning among students through engaging library activities.

ART INTEGRATED READERSHIP PROGRAMME

The Art-Integrated Readership Programme promotes reading through storytelling, creative arts, drama, book trailers, and digital activities, enhancing literacy, creativity, confidence, communication, and lifelong learning among students.

CAREER GUIDANCE IN LIBRARIES IDEAS & STRATEGIES

The session highlighted career awareness through storytelling, career costumes, book fairs, interest surveys, skill development, career corners, magazines, resume writing, assessments, and guidance resources.





DAY 2

JUNE 16, 2026

Day 2 of the Librarians' Workshop focused on the integration of Artificial Intelligence in school libraries. Sessions on AI-empowered school libraries highlighted the transformative role of AI in library services, while prompt engineering introduced participants to effective techniques for interacting with AI tools. The workshop also covered AI-assisted cataloguing methods and demonstrated the use of Google NLM for efficient information retrieval and library management. The sessions were highly informative and provided practical insights into leveraging technology to modernize school libraries.



AI EMPOWERED SCHOOL LIBRARIES



The session on AI-Empowered School Libraries by Mr. Faisal highlighted how Artificial Intelligence can transform libraries into smart learning hubs. Key areas discussed included the use of AI for personalized reading recommendations, automation of library services, efficient information retrieval, and supporting teaching-learning activities through digital tools.



PROMPT ENGINEERING FOR LIBRARIES

The session on Searching, Prompting, and Prompt Engineering focused on using AI tools effectively by framing clear and specific prompts. Participants learned techniques for refining searches, providing context and constraints, and generating accurate, relevant outputs for library and educational tasks.

DIGITAL COLLECTION MANAGEMENT AND CURATION USING AI

The session on Digital Collection Management and Curation using AI Cataloguing introduced librarians to AI-powered methods for organizing, cataloguing, and managing digital resources efficiently. It emphasized metadata generation, automated classification, and improved accessibility of digital collections.

GOOGLE NOTEBOOK LM

The session on Google NotebookLM highlighted innovative AI-powered tools for education and libraries, including poster creation, book trailers, podcasts, and content summarization, enabling creative learning, engagement, and effective knowledge dissemination.





YOGA AND MEDITATION

The session on Yoga and Meditation emphasized the importance of physical well-being, mental calmness, and stress management for librarians. Participants were introduced to simple yoga practices and mindfulness techniques that can enhance focus, productivity, and overall well-being.

CANVA AI

The Canva AI Tools session introduced Magic Write for quick content creation, Social Media tools for engaging posts, Invitation Card design features, and Digital Library resources for easy access and organization of learning materials.

AI -POWERED PODCASTING

This session introduced librarians to AI-powered podcasting tools and platforms such as Audacity, YouTube Studio, Spotify for Creators, Audiolab, and Descript for creating and sharing engaging audio content. Participants learned how these tools can be used to record, edit, enhance, and publish podcasts, enabling libraries to promote books, storytelling, reading programmes, and information services in innovative ways.

CLASS LIBRARY MANAGEMENT

This session focused on effective management of class libraries in primary classes to foster reading habits from an early age. Librarians explored simple strategies for organizing books, maintaining issue records, creating attractive reading corners, and engaging young learners through regular reading activities and storytelling sessions.

DAY 3

JUNE 17, 2026

Day 3 of the Librarians' Workshop offered a balanced blend of wellness and technology-focused learning. The sessions covered Yoga and Meditation for personal well-being, Canva AI for creating engaging library resources, AI-powered podcasting for promoting reading and library activities, and effective strategies for Class Library Management. The day provided practical insights to enhance both professional efficiency and student engagement in school libraries.





DAY 4

JUNE 18, 2026

The sessions focused on the evolving role of school libraries in alignment with NEP 2020, highlighting community engagement, mental well-being, multilingualism, inclusive education, and digital tools such as Google Sites. The workshop encouraged librarians to create inclusive, learner-centric library spaces that promote holistic development, strengthen community participation, and effectively integrate technology into library services.



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT IN NEP 2020

This session highlighted the role of school libraries in fostering community engagement in line with NEP 2020. Librarians explored activities such as storytelling sessions, parent participation, read-aloud programmes, and community-based reading initiatives to create a vibrant reading culture and strengthen school-community partnerships.



MENTAL WELLBEING

This session emphasised the importance of promoting mental wellbeing among primary students through a supportive and nurturing library environment. Librarians discussed strategies such as storytelling, mindfulness activities, bibliotherapy, and creating safe, inclusive spaces that help children express emotions, manage stress, and develop positive reading habits.

MULTILINGUALISM & INCLUSIVE EDUCATION

This session focused on promoting multilingualism and inclusive practices in KV libraries as envisaged in NEP 2020. Librarians explored ways to develop diverse, multilingual library resources and reading activities that respect linguistic diversity, cater to varied learning needs, and ensure equitable access to reading opportunities for all children.



GOOGLE SITE

This session introduced librarians to the use of Google Sites for creating simple and interactive digital libraries, particularly. Participants learned to organize e-books, stories, educational videos, and reading resources in an easily accessible online platform, enabling young learners to explore library resources anytime and anywhere.



DAY 5

JUNE 19, 2026

Following Group 4's creative assembly using Flippity, the workshop featured four comprehensive, expert-led sessions. First, Mr. Faizal explored NEP 2020 and NCF 2023, utilizing a Padlet activity and a 20-activity calendar to outline transforming libraries into community-driven *Samajik Chetna Kendras*. Next, Mr. Prakashan Mavila conducted an interactive session on adolescent mental health, emphasizing student equality and stress reduction. Mr. Krishnan then addressed multilingualism and inclusivity, focusing on CBSE's new R3 language implementation and regional collection development. Finally, Mr. Mujib Rahiman concluded with a practical, hands-on workshop guiding participants through building and maintaining digital library websites using Google Sites.



PROBLEMS IN LIBRARIANSHIP



A valuable discussion was conducted on the challenges facing the library profession in the digital age. Participants shared their experiences, exchanged ideas, and explored practical solutions to strengthen library services and professional growth.

MASTERING E-GRANTHALAYA

The session on Mastering e-Granthalaya provided participants with practical insights into effectively managing library operations using the e-Granthalaya platform. Through hands-on demonstrations and expert guidance, librarians enhanced their skills in cataloguing, circulation, and digital library management.



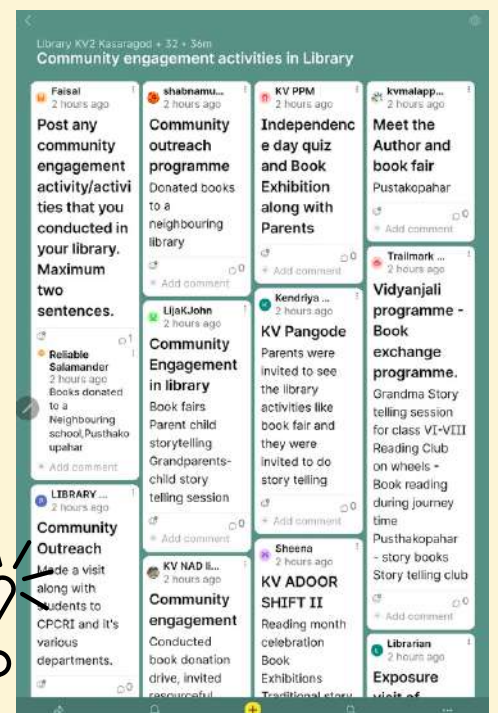
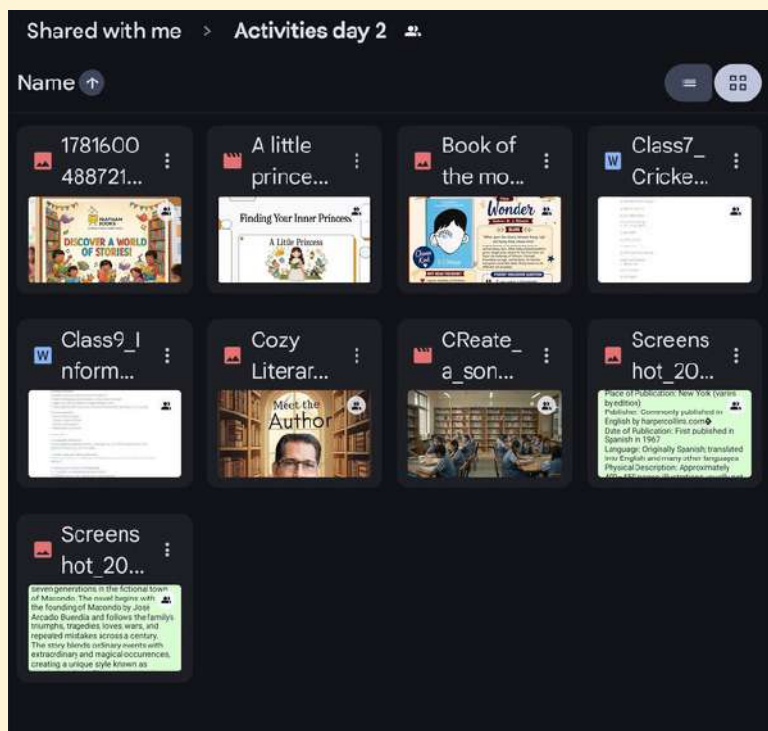
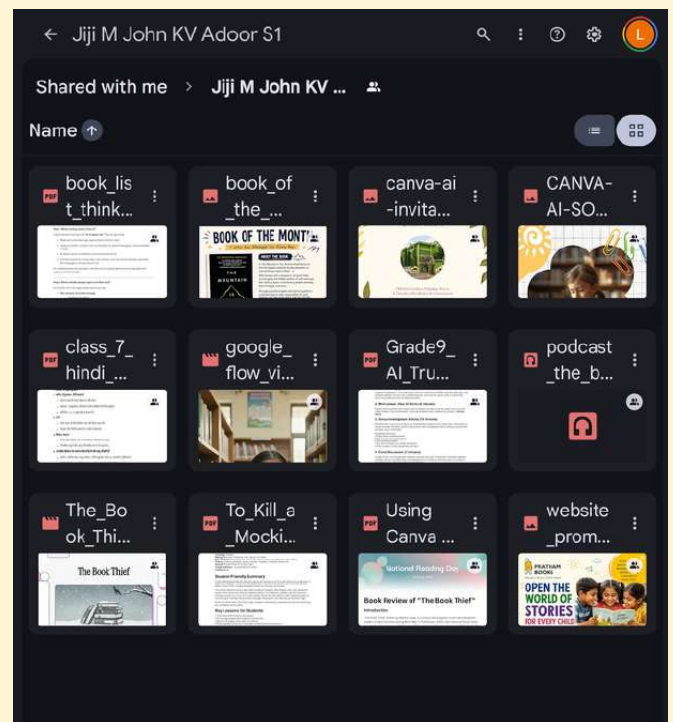
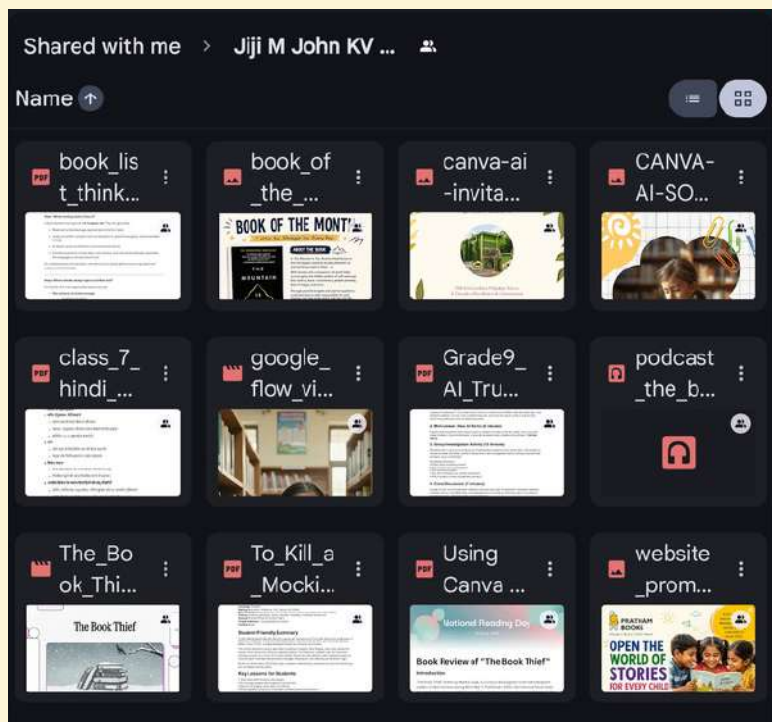
UNVEILING THE WORKSHOP MANUAL



The release of the workshop manual marked a significant milestone, providing participants with a valuable resource to guide and support the implementation of innovative library practices.

HANDS ON ACTIVITIES

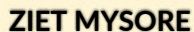
Participants engaged in practical exercises and collaborative tasks to apply AI tools and digital techniques for enhancing library services and reading promotion programmes.



A collection of memorable moments showcasing collaborative learning, innovative ideas, hands-on activities, and the effective integration of AI and e-Granthalaya in library services

GLIMPSES OF WORKSHOP





Participants Voices



READING DAY CELEBRATIONS

The Reading Day celebration honoured P. N. Panicker's enduring legacy and featured a vibrant book exchange programme, encouraging participants to share knowledge, build friendships, and promote a culture of reading.

HONOURING P. N. PANICKER: THE FATHER OF THE LIBRARY MOVEMENT IN KERALA



READING DAY CELEBRATIONS: "GIFT A BOOK, MAKE A FRIEND"



READING DAY PLEDGE

VALEDICTORY FUNCTION - A MEMORABLE CONCLUSION

The Closing Ceremony marked the successful culmination of the workshop, featuring the celebration of National Reading Day and the inspiring “Gift a Book, Make a Friend” programme, which highlighted the importance of reading, sharing knowledge, and fostering meaningful connections through books.

