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APPENDIX

List of Free on-Line Journals which are available and searched with their given URL address, but their links can not be opened.

1. ACQNET

2. Action for Libraries

3. Chinese Librarianship: an International Electronic Journal

4. Electronic Library

5. MLS Marketing Library Services

6. Library Journal Digital

7. Progressive Librarian

8. Virginia Libraries

9. Current Cites

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SYNOPSIS AND INTRODUCTION

The traditional source of information in any branch of knowledge are the written words and, therefore, information sources in a given discipline were(and even now) referred to as "literature" that included all definitive sources of information including journals, encyclopedias, handbooks, textbooks, monographs in series, progress reports, annual reviews, conference proceedings, dissertations and databooks. However, with the growth of other forms of dissemination of information specially on electronic media, the term "information sources" was increasingly used in preference to "literature"

Internet information resource can be defined as resources (including documents and non-documents) in electronic format that provide information or an indicator to the information and are accessible over the internet.

There are so many on-line information available Internet with the help of which the user gets his/her relevant information related to his/her fields of specialization. The user may be an individual or group of organizations. With the help of on-line information available on the web, the individual/organization should me more acquainted with latest development taking place in their respected fields.

Journals are publications, which appear periodically. Electronic journals are defined as any journal, magazines , e-zine, newsletter or types of electronic serial publication which is available at the internet and can be accessed using different technologies such as WWW technology, Gopher, Ftp, Telnet, E-mail or listserv. Several traditional journals are now being publishes both on the web and in print . Current issues or content lists for most of journals are available on the web or distributed to subscribers as e-mail text message.

Internet- based electronic journals started to appear in the beginning of 1990. These journals were mostly delivered as an attachment to e-mail while their back issues were mounted on anonymous ftp sites and users were required to download them from these ftp sites. The libraries and

information centers made them accessible through their gopher sites .

With the advent of www technology in 1993, electronic publishing became more than a novelty. The web as a means of delivery of electronic information has grown steadily since then. As publishers experiment with different publication modes and models. New journals have evolved based on the graphic capabilities of the Internet that are available only in electronic form. Online subscription of journals is becoming very popular now a days.. Many of the libraries are going in for such subscription.. On the Internet many of the journals are freely available. In online subscription we can get access to the issue of journals as well as back volumes.

HOW TO EVALUATE WEB DOCUMENTS/ JOURNALS

Search engines generate results in millions in which only a few are relevant. In such an environment it is highly recommended that page must be evaluated. Louis Shores has given a checklist for evaluation of web documents. Librarians can use these checkpoints for evaluation of web documents, which they keep in digital library or subject gateway collections. Commonly these points are known as ASTAFS.

1. **Authority:-** The very first step is to identify the author and publisher of the web document . On Internet it is very difficult to find the author and publisher of a website, but one can easily find out the organization , which has hosted the site and is responsible for content generation.

2. **Scope:-** What is the subject covered by the website? Which authors have contributed to the website in case there are many contributors? What is the recent level of the website ? whether the links to other sites are given.; if so whether they are working or not? For example, the Berkeley Sunsite Digtal Library, at

California has an exclusive collection of images in different subject areas.

3. **Treatment:-** How accurately is the subject covered? Is the the matter information provided recent?

4. **Arrangement:-** How the information arranged on the website. Besides Arrangement the most common feature is the style of rendering information. The style must be eye catching.

5. **Format :-** What is the format of a document? Here format means basically audio, video, text and image format.

6. **Special Feature:-** If there is any specific feature associated with the document? Specially, has indexing been done? Download given etc.

OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT

The project had been undertaken with the objective to provide a list of free on-line journals to enable the librarian and information science professionals to access the latest researches in their fields so that they can modify and improve the services of their libraries for the benefit of their users. The free on-line journal list will also helps in updating their individual knowledge so that they can fulfill the demands of their profession. The list will be prepared and will be presented as a web page along with the hard copy.

METHODOLOGY

Various search engines like Google, Excite, Northern Light, Altavista, Lycos etc. will be used for searching the free on-line journals in the field of Library and Information Science. After finding out the titles of Journals they will be verify from the actual sites and their details like publishers, editors, periodicity and medium of availability (Print / Online / CD-ROM) will be ascertained.

INPUT TO THE PROJECT

By using suitable hardware and software and with the help of different search engines free on-line available Journals can be searched. A complete details of respective websites will be made available to enable the users to open the sites and consult the Journals.

OUT PUT TO THE PROJECT

The project will provide a comprehensive lists of free on-line journals. These journals contain a very high degree of intellectual material and nascent information and keep library and information professional more acquainted with the latest advancement taking place in their fields to keep users more abreast the latest developments taking place in their related subjects. These journals open the doors for the recent research and development taking place in in the field of library and information science.

PROCESS LOGIC

As the use of different search engines, these search engines produced different results. The use of logic and actual verification of the sites and their contents is required in every case.

LIMITATION OF THE PROJECT

The use of search terms and various indexing techniques by the different search engines. The comprehension lists of all free on-line journals could not be extensively prepared because if it prepared extensively, the project will be so lengthy.

TOOLS/PLATFORMS LANGUAGES TO BE USED

Intel Pentium-IV, 2.4 GHZ PC

Window XP based Internet Explorer

A high speed of Internet connection with a speed of 144kb/s

Different search engines.

HTML Language.

LIST OF FREE ON-LINE JOURNALS

Journals in Library and

Information Science

1. Ariadne

2. ARL: A Biomonthly News Letters for Library Issues and Acton

3. Australian Academic Research Libraries

4. Australian Library Journal

5. Biblio Tech Review

6. Bulletin of the American Society for Information Science and

   Technology

7. CIT Infobits

8. CONCER Line

9. Data Science Journal

10. D-Lib Magazine

11. DigiCULT.info: a news letter on digital culture

12. Electronic Journal of Academic & Special Librarianship

13. Electronic Journal on Information Systems in Developing

    Countries

14. IFLA Journal

15. Information Technology and Disabilities

16. Journal of Artificial Intelligence Research

17. Journal of Digital Information

18. Journal of Electronic Publishing

19. Journal of Information, Law & Technology

20. Library and Information Commission Research Bulletin

21. Library Philosophy and Practice

22. LIBRES

23. Link-Up

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ARIADNE

Ariadne is published every three months by UKLON. UKLON is funded by the Museum Libraries and Archives Council (MLA), the Joint Information System Committee(JISC) of the Higher Education Funding Councils, as well by project funding from the JISC and the European Union. UKLON also receives support from the University of Bath where it is based.

Ariadne magazine is targeted principally at information science professionals in academia and also to interested lay people both in and beyond the Higher Education community. Its main geographic focus is the UK, but it is widely used in the US worldwide.

The magazine has its principle goal:- To report on information service developments and information networking issues worldwide, keeping the busy practitioner abreast of current digital library initiatives. It has reported in depth to the information community at large on progress and developments within the UK Electronic Libraries Programme since its

inception, and now additionally reports on newer JISC-funded programme and services, including the DNER,The JISC Information Environment, and the RDN.

<u>For more details visit ariadne website:-</u>

http://www.ariadne.ac.uk/

<u>ARL</u>

A Bimonthly Report on Research Library Issues and Actions

ARL is the bio-monthly report on research library issues and activities from ARL(Association of Research Libraries, CNI(Coalition of Networked Information) & SPARC(Scholarly Publishing&Academic Resource Coalition). ARL reports on current issues of interest to academic and research library administrators staff and users;higher education administrators and faculty, information technologists and those who depend upon networked information; as well as anyone concerned

with the future of scholarly communication or information policy developments.

Each issue explores a broad range of edition topics of particular importance to research institutions and academic librarians. This publication underwent a review during 1999.

ARL members receive ARL as a benefit of membership. Additional print subscriptions are available to members for $25 per year, and non-members subscription are available for $50 per year.

For further information about this journal visit website:-

http://www.arl.org/newsltr/ci.html

AARL

Australian Academic & Research Libraries is a quarterly journal devoted to all aspects of librarianship in university and college libraries, including the Technical and Further Education sector, and in research libraries of all types. It publishes original, refereed contributions on all aspects of librarianship past and present, pure and applied bibliography, publishing, information science and related subjects.

AARL is abstracted or indexed in Australian education index, Australian library and information science abstracts, APAIS: Australian public affairs information service, Information science abstracts, Library and information science abstracts, and Library literature. All articles appearing in AARL are fully peer-refereed.

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For further information about this journal visit website:-

http://www.alia.org.au/

AUSTRALIAN LIBRARY JOURNAL

Australian Library Journal has been reaching discerning and influential since 1951. Published quarterly in the month of March, August & November. It contains wide coverage of Australian library issues ranging from ongoing research to day-to-day news from the workplace

It is the acknowledged flagship publication of the Australian Library & Information Association(ALIA). ALIA is the professional organization for the Australian Library and information services sector. It seeks to empower the profession in the development ,promotion and delivery of quality library & information services to the nation through leadership, advocacy and mutual support.

ALA journal is an appropriate vehicle for publishers, suppliers and services wishing to reach the decisions- makers. The journal is available through subscription articles are fully peer-referred in accordance with DETYA"s requirements.

ALIA publishing:-

The Association has an extensive involvement in publishing, both in print and on the web. ALIA National Office produces a number of flyers, brochures, briefs, slide-shows, press releases, information booklets, annual reports, submissions to government inquiries, papers, speeches and newsletters for members and the wider library sector.

ALIA is directly responsible for the publication of several journals, including *ALJ (the Australian Library Journal)*, and *inCite*, our regular newsmagazine to members. Online versions of many of the Association's publications exist on this site.

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The latest Journal subscription order form gives details of prices, availability, ISSN, ISBN and postal charges. The order form can be printed, completed and faxed to ALIA National Office for processing. From time to time, the Association produces periodicals and books (and other material), some of which are listed here. Many of these are

available for sale from ALIA National Office, whilst others are

reproduced online through links from the publishing pages.

For further information about this journal visit website:-

http://alia.org.au/publishing/alj/index.html

BIBLIO-TECH REVIEW

Biblio- Tech-Review journal is a key resource for information industry news & technology. It is an exclusive journal for the librarians and guides librarians how to use information Technology for the libraries. Its latest issue came out in July 224. Its has technical briefing, these are designed to give the librarian enough details of the current key technologies to be able to understand the importance of them when accessing a system. They give relevant examples of how the technology will a library system and try to avoid unexplained technical jargon.

The Biblio Tech Review is published by Biblio Tech Limited in the UK. The publisher/editor is Peter Evans - an industry consultant involved with library automation for the past 25 years.

BTR is currently provided at no cost to the industry as an information resource. Additional costed services may be added to the base product in the future - but the intention is for the main service to remain free to librarians and suppliers alike. Advertising will provide commercial sourcing for the service but BTR

will remain an independent source for comment on industry products and issues.

The Biblio Tech Review aims to inform and educate all those who wish to keep abreast of the developments within the global library automation industry. Vital to the function of the Review will be the product reviews, comparisons and stories - designed to help the librarian and information worker keep aware of the key issues when automating their libraries.

Technology issues have become a flood over the last few years and sorting the relevant from the hype can take the closest industry watcher all the time available. Here at BTR we will monitor trends and issues and arm you with the information you need.

Regular sections on emerging technologies and standards with updated information on suppliers and exhibitions and where to contact them will provide a new resource for the in the library automation industry is global. Although originating in the UK, BTR aims to become a resource for all the world's librarians.

For further information about this journal visit website:-
http://www.biblio-tech.com/index.html

Bulletin

of the American Society for Information Science and

Technology

American Society for Information Science and Technology Bulletin is ASIST' primary means of maintaining regular contact with its membership regarding ASIST activities; a vehicle for sharing news and information regarding developments in the fields of information science and technology, including policy and political developments; and an avenue for publishing opinions and quality, brief articles on timely, controversial, or non-research developments in the information science field.

Generally, content breaks down as indicated below. However, not all categories will be represented in each issue. Usually, each issue of the Bulletin deals with a theme or topic, e.g., hypertext, telecommunications, laws related to storage technology, etc. Such issues will have a guest editor who solicits, selects, and edits the articles.

Articles are feature length articles which are not necessarily on the theme of the issue and are not solicited by the guest editor.

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CIT Infobits

CIT Infobits is an electronic service of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill ITS Center for Instructional Technology. Each month the CIT's Information Resources Consultant monitors and selects from a

number of information and instructional technology sources that co me to her attention and provides brief notes for electronic dissemination to educators.

The mission of the Center for Instructional Technology is to assist UNC-Chapel Hill faculty, staff, and graduate assistants in achieving their instructional, research, and other professional objectives by providing support for commonly used and emerging technologies.

For further information about this journal visit website:-

http://www.unc.edu/cit/infobits/index.html

CONSER LINE

CONSERLine is an International Cooperative Serials Cataloging programme. This online journal published semiannually by the Library of Congress, Serial Records Division, and is a continuation of CONSER, a newsletter issued only in paper format CONSER line is a cooperative efforts with contributions from program members consisting of news of the CONSER program and information of interest to the serials cataloguing community.

CONSER line is available in electronic form only and is free of charge. Notification of new issues is sent to standard discussion lists. There is also a discussion list for CONSER line; to have your name added to it, send a request with your name and e-mail address to Les Hawkins lhaw@loc.gov. Issues for 1994&1995 are in ASCII format only; starting in 1996 issues are in HTML format only.

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CONSER Editing Guide. Part I. Background, Policies, and Procedures. Washington, DC, Distributed by the Cataloging Distribution Service, Library of Congress, 1986. ISBN 0-8444-0527-2.

For further information about this journal visit website:-

http://www.loc.gov/acq/conser/conserline.html

DATA SCIENCE JOURNAL

CODATA, the committee on Data for Science publishing a new online journal devoted to scientific and engineering data. The focus will be on data management and delivery issues rather than contents of specific databases. The scope of the journal includes descriptions of data systems, their publication on the internet application and legal issues. All of the sciences are covered including the Physical Sciences, Engineering, the Geo- Sciences and the Bioscience along with Agriculture and Medical Science.

The journal publishes papers about data and the data systems; it does not publish data or data compilation. However it may publish papers about methods data compilation or analysis.

The journal is a peer-reviewed electronic publication with papers appearing throughout the year. An international editorials board has been appointed. The first issue was published on-line at the end of April 2002. UNESCO provides financial contributions to this journal.

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D-Lib Magazine

The D-Lib Magazine is produced by the Corporation for National Research Initatives(CNRI) and has been sponsored by DARPA on the behalf of the Digital Libraries Initiative under Grant No. N66001-98-8908. D-Lib Magazine is currently being funded by the National Science Foundation(NSF) under grant No. 11S-0243042.

The Corporation for National Initiatives(CNRI) undertakes, foster research in the public interest. Activities center around strategic development of network based information technologies providing leadership & funding for research and development of the National Information Structure.

CNRI engages in system and technology demonstration projects in order to further the design and implementation of selected infrastructure components for new computing- and communications-based applications. Current projects include the Handle System for assigning, managing, and resolving persistent identifiers for digital objects and other resources on the Internet, MEMS Exchange,

research in spoken dialogue systems, and other activities that support

research in digital libraries and networked information technologies

For further information about this journal visit website:-

http://www.dlib.org/back.html

DIGI-CULT

DigiCULT will produce seven Thematic Issues which build on the results

of an expert round table on a selected topic, and provide additional

information and opinions in the form of invited articles, interviews, and

case studies. Other elements may include short descriptions of related

projects, a selection of relevant resources.

For further information about this journal visit website:-

http://www.digicult.info/pages/themiss.php

E-JASL: The Electronic Journal of Academic and Special Librarianship

E-JASL is an independent, professional, refereed electronic journal dedicated first and foremost to advancing knowledge and research in the areas of academic and special librarianship. This journal covers all aspects of academic and special librarianship without regard to region or country.This journal is published and distributed by the International Consortium for the Advancement of Academic Publication (ICAAP), Athabasca, Canada and Permanently archived in the National Library of Canada's Electronic Publications Collection. E-JASL indexed in LISA (Library and Information Science Abstracts).

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ELECTRONIC JOURNAL ON INFORMATION

SYSTEMS

IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES(EJISDC)

The Electronic Journal of Information System in Developing Countries(EJISDC) is a joint publication by City University of Hong Kong, Erasmus University of Rotterdam and University of Nebraska at Omaha. EJISDC strives to become the foremost international forum for practitioners, teachers, researchers, and policy makers to share their knowledge and experience in the design, development, implementation, management and evaluation of information system and technologies in developing countries.

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formulate their goals, exert their influence as a group, protect their interests, and find solutions to global problems.

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The Journal of Digital Information

JoDI is supported by the British Computer Society and Oxford University Press. JoDI published its first papers in April 1997, when it was one of very few electronic-only journals. It continues as an electronic-only journal today. Not all papers can be printed.

The principal editorial offices are at Loughborough University and Southampton University in the UK. JoDI has introduced a unique theme-based editorial structure as a means of managing and integrating papers within its broad scope. Each theme has a theme editor. Themes could evolve to become journals within a journal, but will act cooperatively rather than competitively, and papers are interlinked and cross-indexed

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JOURNAL OF ELECTRONIC PUBLISHING

The Journal of Electronic Publishing is for the thoughtful forward-thinking publisher, librarian, scholar, or author -- in fact, anyone in this new business -- facing those challenges. We aim to *range widely* in our coverage, but the emphasis will be on the broader issues that should shape policy, and on professional, scientific or academic publishing, both books and journals.

JEP faces the same problems as any electronic publication, and we intend to make a virtue of that by using the Journal as a testbed to try ideas and to show to you, our readers, what happens when we do. We hope for successes, of course, but we will report on our failures, too.

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thinking interestingly about electronic publishing. That is the journal. And from time to time we are adding regular columns.

So join us, read JEP and let us know what you think -- and above all, share your ideas with us. We want JEP to be truly useful for the publishing community.

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JOURNAL OF INFORMATION, LAW & TECHNOLOGY

JILT (The Journal of Information, Law & Technology) is an established but innovative electronic law journal covering a range of topics relating to IT law and applications. It contains a diversity of materials including peer reviewed and non-refereed articles, commentaries, work in progress articles, book and IT reviews, and conference reports and papers, as well as information papers, news and UK and global conferences.

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JILT is available online at: http://elj.warwick.ac.uk/jilt/

LIBRARY AND INFORMATION COMMISSION

RESEARCH BULLETIN

Library and Information Commission Research Bulletin is now renamed as Museums, Libraries and Archives Council(MLA). The Museums, Libraries and Archives Council (MLA) is the national development agency working for and on behalf of museums, libraries and archives and advising government on policy and priorities for the sector.

MLA's roles are to provide strategic leadership, to act as a powerful advocate, to develop capacity and to promote innovation and change.

Museums, libraries and archives connect people to knowledge and information, creativity and inspiration. MLA is leading the drive to unlock this MLA was launched in April 2000 as the strategic body working with and for museums, archives and libraries, tapping the potential for collaboration between them. The new organisation replaces the Museums and Galleries Commission (MGC) and the Library and Information Commission (LIC), and now includes archives within its

portfolio *wealth, for everyone. Museums, libraries and archives connect people to knowledge and information, creativity and inspiration. MLA is leading the drive to unlock this wealth, for everyone.*

MLA is a Non-Departmental Public Body, sponsored by the Department for Culture, Media and Sport. We were established in April 2000 through a merger of the Museums & Galleries Commission and the Library and Information Commission.

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http://www.mla.gov.uk/index.asp

LIBRARY PHILOSOPHY AND PRACTICE

Library Philosophy and Practice (*LPP*) is a peer-reviewed electronic journal that publishes articles exploring the connection between library practice and the philosophy and theory behind it. These include explorations of current, past, and emerging theories of librarianship and library practice, as well as reports of successful, innovative, or experimental library procedures, methods, or projects in all areas of librarianship, set in the context of applied research

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LIBRES

LIBRES is presently a bi-annual, peer-reviewed electronic journal with an Editorial Board of library and information science scholars.

LIBRES communicates scholarly thought on library and information science.

Since 1990, LIBRES has published non-refereed articles, reports, and drafts as well as news and discussion of library and information science research, applications, and events. The first regular, quarterly issue which includes the peer- reviewed sections was published on Oct. 15, 1993. When warranted by the volume and flow of scholarship, special and/or supplementary issues on emergent themes will be distributed.

LIBRES will be distributed through an ftp site, and a WWW site. Subscribers will be made aware of the available issue by distribution of a quarterly table of contents to LIBRES, LIBREF-L, and other e-conferences that request the service. LIBRES is indexed in ISA, LISA and Singapore Periodicals Index (SPI).

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Deadlines for the submissions of manuscripts for the reviewed section will be two months before the next issue; i.e., the end of January (for the March issue), and the end of July (for the September issue). All manuscripts will be given at least two blind reviews by a jury of referees.

Authors will be notified within 45 days of submission of acceptance, revisions, or rejection.

Deadlines for the submission of articles for the three non- reviewed sections will be one month before the next issue; the end of February (for the March issue), and the end of August (for the September issue). Authors will usually be notified within 14 days of submission of acceptance, revisions, or rejection.

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LINK-UP

Link-Up Digital is a new, biweekly updated, Web-only section featuring articles, reviews,and more for for savvy users and producers of electronic information products and services.

Link-Up Archives:-

Effective October 2002, *Link-Up* magazine was incorporated into ITI's flagship publication, *Information Today*, as *Link-Up: At Home*, a new special section of *IT* packed with news, articles, and reviews designed to help you get the most out of your personal computer, modem, & CD-ROMs.

Link-Up: At Home and *Link-Up Digital*, both edited by long-time Link-Up editor Loraine Page, are devoted exclusively to the users of online services, CD-ROM products, & the Internet, providing the latest information on online services, the Internet and World Wide Web, CD-ROM and multimedia, software & hardware, and much more you can use both at home and in your downtime.

For further information about this journal visit website:-

http://www.infotoday.com/lu/lunew.htm

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S.N.	Name of the Journal	Publisher/Editor	Periodicity	Regular	Irregular
1	Ariadne	UKLON	Quarterly	Yes	NA
2	Association of Research Libraries (ARL)	CNI	Bi-monthly	Yes	NA
3	AARL	Australian Library&Information Association(ALIA)	Quarterly	Yes	NA
4	Australian Library Journal	ALIA	Quarterly	Yes	NA
5	Biblio-Tech Review	Biblio Tech Ltd.	Monthly	Yes	NA
6	Bulletin of American Society for Information Sc.&Technology	American Society for Information Science and Technology	Six Issues in a Year	Yes	NA
7	CIT Infobits	University of North Carolina	Monthly	Yes	NA
8	ConserLine	Library of Congress	Semi-annually	Yes	NA
9	Data Science Journal	International Council for Science	Monthly	Yes	NA
10	D-Lib Magazine	Corporation for National Research Initiatives(CNRI)	Monthly	Yes	NA
11	Digi-Cult	-------	Semi-annually	Yes	NA
12	Electronic Journal of Academic& Special Librarianship	International Consortium for the Advancement of Academic Publication(ICAAP)	Annually	Yes	NA
13	Electronic Journal of Information Systems In Developing Countries	City University of Hong-Kong, University of Nebraska	Five Times in a Year	Yes	NA
14	IFLA Journal	International Federation of Library Association &Institutions	Four Times in a Year	Yes	NA

S.N	Name of the Journal	Publisher/Editor	Periodicity	Regular	Irregular
15	Information Technology and Disabilities	Equal Access to Software Information	Annually	Yes	NA
16	Information Today	Information Today Inc.	Monthly	Yes	NA
17	Journal of Artificial Intelligence Research	Artificial Intelligence Access Foundations	Semi-annually	Yes	NA
18	Journal of Digital Information	IAM Research Group,University of outhampton,UK	Monthly	Yes	NA
19	Journal of Information Law & Technology	University of Warwick,UK	Three times in a Year	Yes	NA
20	Journal of Electronic Publishing	University of Michigan Pres	Three times in a Year	NA	Yes
21	Library &Information Commission Research Bulletin	Michigan Library Association	Monthly	Yes	NA
22	Library Philosophy and Practice	Lincoln Library, Western Australia	Semi-annually	Yes	NA
23	Library Information Science Research Journal (LIBRES)	University of Nebraska	Semi-annually	Yes	NA

CONCLUSIONS:-

Almost all the journals are regular in their periodicity and their articles are properly edited and published by the concerned authority with regular editors and publishers. While going through the text of these journals articles, it is noticed that highly useful information is available in these journal articles which is very highly useful for the library and information professional in providing/delivering the latest researches and developments taking place in the field of Library and Information Science. So this highly useful information is very useful to the students, teachers, researchers, scholars, philosophers and all other user community and fulfill their information needs to their concerned subject areas.

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       IGNOU

(5)   Internet Resources - (MLI - 005) – written by IGNOU

(6)   Content Development (MLI - 006) – written by IGNOU