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LIBRARY AND SOCIETY

Diploma in Library and Information Science

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COURSE INTRODUCTION

This Diploma Programme in Library and Information Science has been developed keeping in view of the requirements of lower category of professionals in the library. It will meet the need of the Library Attendant, Library Clerk, and Library Assistant in the college, university, public and special libraries. It will also help the library-in-charges of school, NGO, Community Information Centre and rural libraries. Besides, this preliminary programme will also help you to go and prepare for higher studies in Library and Information Science.

The library is an essential component of any educational system. This programme will introduce you to this integral and essential part of the educational system, the library resources and services. It will also help you to explore the different sources of information, different library tools and so on.

The Diploma in Library and Information Science shall consist of six courses and are of one year duration. The one year duration of the programme will help you to get insight into all the major areas of library operation.

This is the first course of the Diploma in Library and Information Science (DLIS). This course includes six self-learning units.

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