

## Department of Information Management at a Glance: February 2014 – December 2014

Compiled by Amara Malik

Lecturer, Department of Information Management, University of the Punjab, Lahore, Pakistan.

Email: amara.malik08@gmail.com

The year 2014 was a very significant for the department. We achieved a lot during 2014. Following is a summary:

### NAME CHANGE OF THE DEPARTMENT

The name of the Department got changed from Department of Library and Information Science (DLIS) to Department of Information Management (DoIM) on 18 August 20 14 (Notification no: D/3397/Acad.).

### GOT NEW BUILDING

The Vice Chancellor, Prof. Dr. Mujahid Kamran allocated to DoIM the whole building, vacated by College of Statistical & Actuarial Sciences on (Notification no: D/941/R dated: 19/12/2014).

### DISTINCTIVE RESEARCH OUTPUT

Five faculty members got published their articles in impact factor journals. Furthermore, five faculty members presented their papers in various international conferences.

### MPHIL DEGREES AWARDED

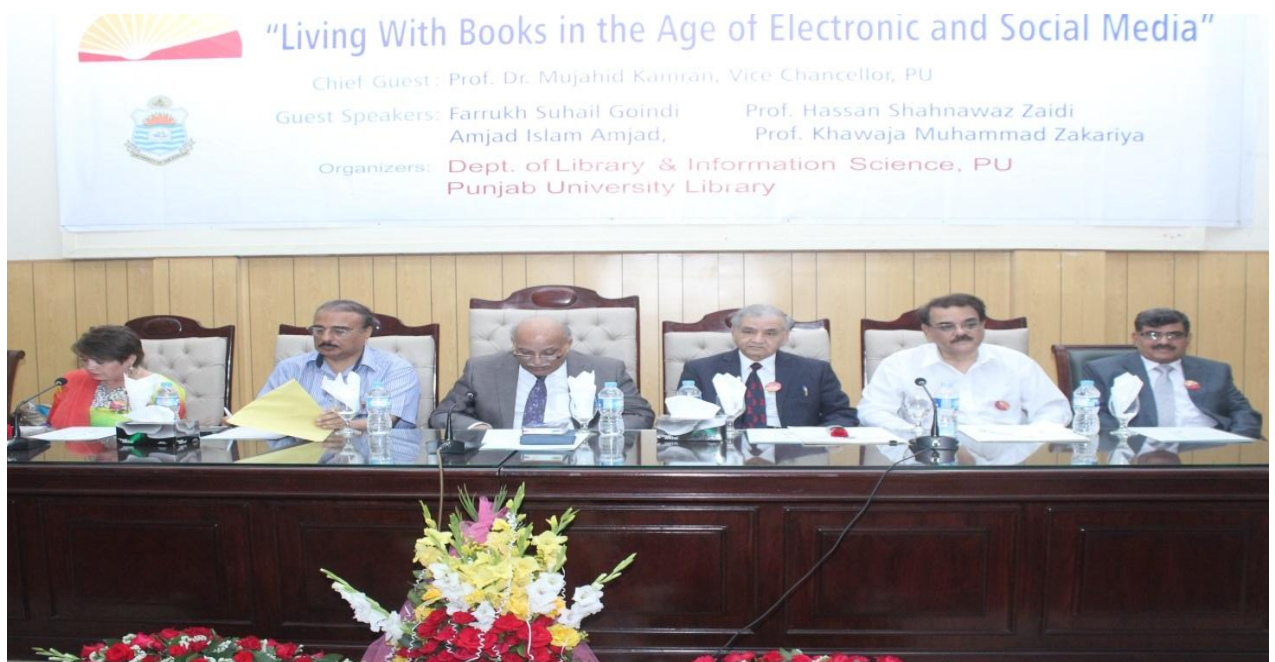
The following eight students (session 2012-2014) got MPhil degrees:

Name of Students	Supervisor	Title of Thesis
Uzma Anwar	Prof. Dr. Kanwal Ameen	College librarians as information literacy instructors: Training gap analysis
Ghulam Murtaza Rafique	Prof. Dr. Mumtaz Ali Anwar	Knowledge sharing behavior of medical students: A study of University College of Medicine, Lahore
Zulfiqar Ahmad	Prof. Dr. Kanwal Ameen Dr. Muhammad Rafiq	Assessing information literacy skills of researchers
Nazeer Hussain	Dr. Shafiq Ur Rehman Prof. Dr. Kanwal Ameen	Training needs assessment of postgraduate researchers
Memoona Iqbal	Dr. Muhammad Rafiq Prof. Dr. Kanwal Ameen	Factors affecting the students' selection and use of websites
Muhammad Suleman Bajwa	Dr. Muhammad Rafiq Prof. Dr. Kanwal Ameen	Evaluation of skills & training needs of paraprofessionals library staff working in University of the Punjab, Lahore
Sadaf Rafiq	Dr. Nosheen Fatima W. Prof. Dr. Kanwal Ameen	Medical students perceptions towards the use of electronic books

### WORLD BOOK & COPYRIGHT DAY 2014 CELEBRATIONS

The Department, in collaboration with the PU Library, celebrated the World Book & Copyright Day on 22nd April, 2014 under the theme "Living with books is living with world". A mega event was arranged and a number of scholars, teachers, columnists, book sellers, media persons and students participated in the awareness walk followed by a seminar. Vice Chancellor, PU Prof. Dr. Mujahid Kamran was the chief guest and renowned writers, poets,

scholars (Farruckh Sohail Goindi, Prof. Hassan Shahnawaz Zaidi and Prof. Dr. Khawaja Muhammad Zakariya) were the guest speakers at the seminar. The speakers talked about the importance of book reading and appreciated the efforts of Dr. Mujahid Kamran, Prof. Dr. Kanwal Ameen and Ch. M. Hanif for promoting reading culture on campus. At the end, PU Library acknowledged book lover students by rewarding books prize. DoIM, PU also arranged an essay competition among students on the “Role of reading in personality development”. The winner of this competition was announced in the ceremony and got books by the PU Library as award.





### NEW PULISAA BODY

PULISAA Executive Council took oath in a ceremony to commemorate Word Book and Copyright Day on 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2014 held at Quaid-i-Azam Library, Lahore. Rana Mashood Ahmad Khan, Provincial Minister for Education (Punjab) administered the oath. The detail of office bearers of PULISAA is as under:-

President- Muhammad Taufiq, Vice President- Muhammad Saleem Malik, Secretary- Muhammad Ayub Bhatti, Joint Secretary- Dr. Nosheen Fatima Warriach, Treasurer- Waris Ali Arslan

Executive Members: Akhtar Naseer Warraich, Alia Arshad, Amna Farzand Ali, Azhar Rashid, Hina Asif Khan, Muhammad Tariq, Qurat ul Ain Saleem, Sammiya Naz, Sidra Shan, Talib Hussain



### STUDY VISIT

A study visit of Quaid-e-Azam Library, Children Library Complex, Alif Laila and LUMS was arranged for the Master's students on 4<sup>th</sup> June 2014.

### ANNUAL DINNER 2014

The annual dinner was held on 28 November 2014 at Executive Club of the PU. The students of three sessions of morning/afternoon, i.e., outgoing class, third semester and newly admitted first semester attended the dinner along with the faculty members. The worthy Vice Chancellor of PU Prof. Dr. Mujhaid Kamran was the chief guest. Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ehsan Malik (Dean, Faculty of Economics and Management Sciences), Dr. Shazia Naureen Qureshi

(Dean Faculty of Law), Prof. Dr. Muhammad Zakria Zakar (Dean Faculty of Behavioral and Social Sciences), and Dr. Sajid Rasheed (Resident officer) of PU also graced the event. Before dinner the students presented different entertaining performances and shields were presented to the winners of departmental games and annual dinner organizers.



#### NEW MPhil & PHD ADMISSIONS

The following students got admission in 2014:

**PhD:** Abubaker Siddique, Ammara Yousaf, Azra Rafique, Rashid Maqbool, Sumaira Hussain, Waqar Ahmad Awan.

**MPhil:** Aasia Aslam, Faiza Tabassum, Farrukh Shahzad, Ghulam Mujtaba, Muhamma Jamil, Muhammad Taufiq, Murtaza Ashiq, Rabia Bashir, Saira Hassan, Shazia Yasmin, Sumaira Ali, Syed Saleem Abbas Zaidi, Tayyba Rasool

### INVITED TALKS, PRESENTATIONS AND LECTURES OUTSIDE THE DEPARTMENT

DoIM faculty members delivered various talks, presentations and lectures during the whole year. The details of these activities are as under:

#### January

1. Prof. Dr. Kanwal Ameen delivered a presentation entitled "Issues with thesis writing; supervisor management; and time management" on 18 January 2014 at an online workshop on "Managing academic thesis for MPhil/PhD" organized by Institute of Research Promotion (IRP).
2. Prof. Dr. Mumtaz Ali Anwar conducted a half-day workshop on 'Writing an effective research proposal' at the University of Management and Technology on January 9, 2014. About 55 faculty members and research students attended the workshop.

#### February

3. Dr. Shafiq Ur Rehman was resource person in a national workshop "Mixed methods research" on 18-19 February 2014 jointly organized by The University of Lahore and Institute of Research Promotion (IRP).
4. Dr. Shafiq Ur Rehman participated as resource person in an international online workshop on "Mixed methods research" 12-13 February 2014 organized by Institute of Research Promotion (IRP).

#### March

5. Prof. Dr. Kanwal Ameen gave a talk on "Challenges and problems of LIS research in Pakistan" at Department of Library and Information Science, University of Karachi in March 2014.
6. Dr. M. Rafiq participated as a resource person at workshop "Integrated library system - Koha & DSPACE", arranged by Higher Education Commission (HEC) of Pakistan on March 24-28, 2014 at HEC Regional Centre, Lahore.
7. Dr. Shafiq Ur Rehman participated as resource person in two days workshop on "Qualitative analysis using NVIVO" organized by Higher Education Commission (HEC) and University of Sargodha on 12 March 2014.

#### April

8. Dr. Shafiq Ur Rehman conducted a two days workshop (4-5 April 2014) on "Managing qualitative research" organized by Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI), Islamabad.
9. Dr. Shafiq Ur Rehman was a resource person in one day workshop on "Managing literature review and qualitative data with NVIVO10" organized by University of Management and Technology (UMT) on April 21, 2014.

#### May

10. Prof. Dr. Kanwal Ameen conducted a workshop organized by the Institute of Social and Cultural Studies for PU faculty members on the topic "How and where to publish" on 29 May 2014.

#### June

11. DoIM in collaboration with Institute of Applied Psychology and Center for Clinical Psychology PU organized one day workshop on "Managing qualitative research with NVIVO10" on 6 June 2014. The workshop was designed specifically for the MS/M.Phil and PhD scholars as well as faculty members to enable them to understand qualitative research and various applications of qualitative analysis software (NVIVO 10). Prof. Dr. Kanwal Ameen and Dr. Shafiq Ur Rehman were the resource persons.
12. Prof. Dr. Kanwal Ameen delivered a lecture on "Qualitative research and analyzing qualitative data" at a workshop on research methods at Institute of Administrative Sciences (IAS) PU, on 23 June 2014.
13. Dr. Shafiq Ur Rehman and Ms. Syeda Hina Batool were the resource persons in two days workshop "Computer assisted qualitative data analysis" organized by Institute of Administrative Sciences (IAS), PU on June 23-24, 2014.

14. Dr. Nosheen Fatima Warriach and Dr. Shafiq Ur Rehman were the resource persons on three days (26-28 June 2014) national workshop on “Applications of statistical methods in LIS research” at the University of Peshawar Bara Gali Campus and delivered lecture on “Use of Endnote and Turnitin to manage academic research” and “NVIVO 10 Software” respectively. Dr. Nosheen Fatima Warriach also chaired concluding session and distributed certificates to participants.
15. Dr. Nosheen Fatima Warriach and Ms. Amara Malik were the resource persons in a workshop “Managing citations using Endnote” on June 27, 2014 organized by Institute of Administrative Sciences (IAS), PU.

#### **August**

16. Prof. Dr. Kanwal Ameen and Dr. Muhammad Rafiq delivered lectures on “Research, publishing and information management” at the Faculty Development Program organized by IAS, PU on 22 August 2014.

#### **September**

17. DoIM and Technical Education and Vocational Training Authority (TEVTA) jointly organized one week training workshop from 29 September to 4 October 2014 for TEVTA Librarians on “Library automation and management”. Three faculty members of DoIM Prof. Dr. Kanwal Ameen, Dr. Shafiq Ur Rehman and Dr. Muhammad Rafiq were the resource persons.

#### **October**

18. Prof. Dr. Mumtaz Ali Anwar conducted a one-day seminar on ‘Writing an effective research proposal’ at Allama Iqbal Open University on 28 October 2014. Almost 120 faculty members and research students participated.

#### **November**

19. Dr. Shafiq Ur Rehman participated as a resource person in an international online workshop on “Getting started! Writing a research proposal” organized by Institute of Research Promotion, Lahore on 21<sup>st</sup> November 2014.

#### **December**

20. Prof. Dr. Kanwal Ameen delivered a lecture in a workshop titled “Information sharing” organized by Sheikh Zaid Islamic Centre on December 09, 2014.
21. Dr. Shafiq Ur Rehman delivered a lecture on “Understanding qualitative research” at Centre for South Asian Studies, PU on December 8, 2014.
22. Dr. Shafiq Ur Rehman conducted a workshop “Improving your literature review using NVIVO10 and Endnote” organized by the Sukkur Institute of Business Administration (Sukkur IBA) on December 15, 2014.

### **GUEST LECTURES AND CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL & RESEARCH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS**

1. Mr. Ashraf Shrief, system librarian at Aga Khan University Libraries gave a presentation on the topic “Service requirements of a special library’s clients” to the masters students of DoIM on 14 April 2014.
2. A seminar on “preparing LIS professionals for future/new job market” was organized on 29 April 2014. Prof. Dr. Sajjad ur Rehman, (Chairman, Department of Library and Information Science, College of Social Sciences, Kuwait University) threw light on the current trends and future prospects of LIS education and job market.
3. A guest lecture on “Self exploration and employability skills” was arranged for the students with the coordination of Career Counseling and Placement Centre of PU on 30 May 2014.
4. Mr. Muhammad Farooq, Director Information Services of Ripah International University delivered a lecture on “Need analysis and skill requirements in information management sector” on June 5, 2014.
5. The Department organized one day workshop on “Emerging challenges for information professionals at the PU & strategies to meet them” for the PU Librarians, sponsored by Institute of Business Administration, PU on May 15, 2014. Prof. Dr. Kanwal Ameen, Dr. Muhammad Rafiq and Dr. Shafiq Ur Rehman were the

resource persons for this extensive workshop comprised five sessions to sensitize the academic librarians regarding the future challenges.



6. The Department arranged a seminar on “Employment skills” for MLIS passing-out students, Session 2012-14 on October 13, 2014. Mr. Qasim Ali Shah, an HR Consultant, Mr. Shahzeb Khan, Assistant Professor, Department of English Language & Literature, PU and Ch. Muhammad Hanif, Chief Librarian, PU highlighted and discussed the various aspects of employment, interpersonal skill, communication skills and interview preparation.
7. The Department and PULISAA organized one day training workshop on KOHA on 14 October 2014 for professionals. Dr. Muhammad Rafiq, Assistant Professor and Tufail Khan, Librarian, GC University, Lahore were the resource persons.
8. Mr. Abdual Wajid, MTO, Bank AlHabib delivered a guest lecture on the topic “Basic terms and concepts of business and industry information” to the Masters’ students on November 12, 2014.
9. A lecture was arranged in the Department on the “Importance of information in business decision making” on December 5, 2014. Dr. Ahsan Ali Chaudhry was the speaker.

#### **FACULTY AND RESEARCH STUDENTS PARTICIPATION IN NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES**

##### **National:**

1. Dr. M. Rafiq and Prof. Dr. Kanwal Ameen presented a paper, “Standardization and sustainability of digitization projects in university libraries of Pakistan: A developing country perspective” at International Conference on Computation and Social Sciences, Abdul Wali Khan University, Mardan, Pakistan on January 20-21, 2014.

##### **International:**

2. M. Safdar and Dr. Shafiq Ur Rehman presented a paper “Users’ perception about the Pakistan Research Repository (PRR)” at the 6<sup>th</sup> Quantitative and Qualitative Methods in Libraries International Conference (QQML2014) on May 27- 30, 2014 held in Istanbul, Turkey.
3. Dr. Nosheen Fatima Warriach presented a paper titled “In search of new horizon: Agenda for LIS Schools in developing countries” in Training and Education Session of World Library and Information Congress, 80<sup>th</sup> IFLA General Conference and Assembly on 16-22 August 2014, Lyon-France.
4. Ms. Syeda Hina Batool presented her paper entitled "Early findings from a study of information literacy practices in primary schools of Pakistan" at European Conference on Information Literacy (ECIL), Croatia from 21 to 24 October 2014.
5. Midrar Ullah and Kanwal Ameen presented a paper, “Strategies for the effective implementation of information literacy instructions in medical libraries of Pakistan” at International European Conference of Information Literacy (ECIL), Croatia held from 21 to 24 October 2014.

6. Ms. Alia Arshad and Prof. Dr. Kanwal Ameen presented a paper entitled, "Use of scholarly E-Journals: A case of University of the Punjab" at International European Conference of Information Literacy (ECIL), Croatia held from 21 to 24 October 2014.
7. Dr. M. Rafiq and Prof. Dr. Kanwal Ameen presented a paper, "Going from analogue to digital: Barriers to change in Pakistani university libraries" in the 16<sup>th</sup> International Conference of Asia-Pacific Digital Libraries, Chiang Mai, Thailand on Nov. 5-7, 2014.
8. Khurshid Ahmad and Dr. M. Rafiq presented a paper "The methods for the practices of knowledge management in university libraries of Pakistan" at 2nd International Conference on Economics, Finance and Management Outlooks (ICEFMO), Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia on December 20-21, 2014.

#### AWARDS AND GRANTS

- Prof. Dr. Kanwal Ameen, Dr. Nosheen Fatima Warriach, Dr. M. Rafiq and Ms. Alia Arshad got PU travel grant to present their papers in conferences held in different countries in 2014.
- Higher Education Commission granted conference grant to Ms. Syeda Hina.
- Dr Shafiq Ur Rehman was appointed as official trainer of NVIVO and EndNote Software by QSR International Australia and ISI Thomson USA for the year 2014-15 for the second time.

#### FACULTY AND RESEARCH SCHOLARS PUBLISH RESEARCH PAPERS IN NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL JOURNALS

##### **Prof. Dr. Kanwal Ameen**

1. Ullah, Midrar, & Ameen, Kanwal. (2014). Current status of information literacy instruction practices in medical libraries of Pakistan. *Journal of Medical Library Association*. 102(4): 281–287. doi: 10.3163/1536-5050.102.4.009. Impact Factor.

##### **Prof. Dr. Mumtaz A. Anwar**

1. Anwar, Mumtaz Ali, & Ullah, Midrar. (2014). Health sciences information services in Pakistan in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. *Health Information and Libraries Journal*, 31(4): 320-322. Impact Factor.
2. Anwar, Mumtaz Ali. (2014). Late Dr. Muhammad Fasihuddin. *Pakistan Library and Information Science Journal*, 45 (1): 39-40.
3. Naveed, Muhammad Asif, & Anwar, Mumtaz Ali. (2014). Non-agricultural information needs of rural Pakistanis. *Pakistan Library and Information Science Journal*, 45 (2): 2-11.
4. Sajjad Ahmad, & Anwar, Mumtaz Ali. (2014). Sarhad Journal of Agriculture: A bibliometric analysis of the articles published from 1985 to 2009. *PUTAJ – Humanities and Social Sciences*, 20, 321-335.

##### **Dr. Muhammad Rafiq**

1. Jabeen, M., J., Yun, L., Rafiq, M., Jabeen, M., & Tahir, M. A. (Early Cite). Information literacy in academic and research libraries of Beijing, China: Practices, methods and problems. *Information Development*. (Impact Factor)
2. Ullah, A. & Rafiq, M. (2014). Pakistan research repository: A showcase of theses and dissertations. *Library Hi Tech News*, 31(4). 17-20.
3. Rafiq, M. & Ameen, Kanwal. (2014). Towards a digitization framework: Pakistani perspective. *Pakistan Journal of Information Management & Libraries*, 15(1). 22-29.
4. Khan, M. T., Zahid, A., & Rafiq, M. (2014). Usability evaluation of University of Management and Technology Library, Lahore Website. *Pakistan Library & Information Science Journal*, 45(4). 30-41.
5. Rafiq, M. & Ameen, Kanwal. (2014). Standardization and sustainability of digitization projects in university libraries of Pakistan. *VFAST Transactions on Education and Social Sciences*, 3(2). 15-23.



**Dr. Shafiq Ur Rehman**

1. Rehman, S. U., Kyrillidou, M., & Hameed, I. (2014). Reliability and validity of a modified LibQUAL+@Survey in Pakistan: An Urdu language experience. *Malaysian Journal of Library & Information Science*. 19(2). (Impact Factor).

**Alia Arshad**

1. Arshad, Alia., & Shafique, Farzana. (2014). What do users prefer, card catalog or OPAC? A study of Punjab University Library. *The Electronic Library*, 32(3). (Impact Factor)

**Amara Malik**

1. Malik, Amara. & Mahmood, Khalid. (2014). Readiness for digital reference service (DRS) in university libraries: A survey in the Punjab, Pakistan. *Information Development*, 30(2) (Impact Factor)

**BOOK CHAPTERS**

1. Ameen, Kanwal. (2014). Challenges of LIS education in South Asia: Pakistan, India, Sri Lanka, and Bangladesh. In Abdullahi, I. (Ed.) *The Future of LIS Education in Developing Countries: The Road Ahead*. Berlin/Munich: IFLA/De Gruyter.
2. Ameen, Kanwal & Warriach, N. F. (2014). Trends in LIS education and research in Pakistan. In Jia Tina Du, J., Zhu, Q. & Koronios, A. (Eds.). *Library and Information Science Research in Asia-Oceania: Theory and Practice*. Singapore: IGI Global.
3. Nosheen Fatima Warraich (2014). Perceptions of researchers about institutional repositories to archive indigenous scholarly literature: a case of Pakistan. In Samantha K. Hastings (Ed.) *Annual Review of Cultural Heritage Informatics*. Rowman & Littlefield.
4. Batool, S. Hina, & Webber, S. (2014). Early Findings from a Study of Information Literacy Practices in Primary Schools of Pakistan. S. Kurbanoglu et al. (Eds.): ECIL 2014, CCIS 492, pp. 282–290.

**WORKSHOPS ATTENDED**

- Prof. Dr. Kanwal Ameen participated in indigenous on- campus training on “Modern Governance Tools” organized for departmental heads by HEC in collaboration with University of the Punjab on October 27 – 31, 2014 at Institute of Administrative Sciences (IAS).
- Dr. Nosheen Fatima Warriach attended indigenous on-campus training program on “Modern Governance Tools” on 1-5 December 2014 conducted by University of the Punjab in collaboration with Higher Education Commission of Pakistan at Institute of Administrative Sciences (IAS) Seminar Hall.
- Dr. M. Rafiq attended a faculty development training program at IAS, PU on 21-23 August 2015.
- Dr. Shafiq Ur Rehman attended a faculty training workshop on “Academic writing skills” jointly organized by HEC and Institute of Microbiology and Molecular Genetics (MMG) PU on November 17-21, 2014.