

## EDITORIAL

I feel immense pleasure to publish the Special Issue on Library and Information Science (LIS) of Vol. X of '**RAY: International Journal of Multidisciplinary Studies**', (E-ISSN: 2456-3064) on behalf of Chakdaha College, Nadia, West Bengal, India. This issue explores the evolving role of libraries and information professionals in an increasingly digital and interconnected world. As the information landscape transforms at an unprecedented pace, this issue reflects on the challenges, opportunities, and responsibilities that define this field today.

The rapid integration of artificial intelligence, open access frameworks, and data-driven decision-making has reshaped how libraries serve their communities. From reimagining digital archives to fostering equitable access to information, library and information science professionals are at the forefront of ensuring knowledge remains accessible, inclusive, and trustworthy. This issue brings together cutting-edge research, innovative practices, and critical perspectives to address these dynamic shifts.

Each article offers insights into how the field can navigate technological advancements while staying true to its core mission of serving the public good. Their work underscores the importance of collaboration across disciplines and borders to address shared challenges, such as digital equity and the preservation of cultural heritage in an era of rapid technological change.

I avail myself of this opportunity with great pleasure in acknowledging my deepest sense of gratitude to all concerned with and related to this endeavour, particularly Editorial Board Members, Advisory Board Members and Reviewers who tendered their painstaking efforts throughout the period of preparation of this journal.

No doubt, I am personally indebted to the authors who have contributed their valuable contributions to this journal. In the present issue we are publishing Ten research articles. I convey my heartfelt gratitude to all respected authors.

Utmost care has been taken to prepare the present issue of the journal, in spite of that we are always liable to apology for any unwanted mistakes. Any comment, any suggestion for improvement of the journal is always appreciable.

I wish its every success in all respect.



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