ICT Awareness and Skills among Library Professionals in South Tamil Nadu's Higher Educational Institutions

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ABSTRACT

This paper is duchesses about the Awareness/ Skill for the Use of ICT Applications in Academic Libraries among the Library Professionals in higher educational institutions on Tamil Nadu. The relevant data collected from 600 questionnaires were distributed among the library professionals in the higher educational institutions in Southern Tamil Nadu which covers ten districts like Dindigul, Kanyakumari, Madurai, Ramanathapuram, Sivagangai, Tenkasi, Theni, Tutucorin, Tirunelvaeli and Virudhunagar   Totally 109 'Engineering & Technology' and 243 'Arts & Science' institutions. The 600 questionnaires were distributed among the library professionals are working all the higher educational institutions in Tamil Nadu. . Among the 600, 92.67% were responded which consists of 35.00% in 'Engineering & Technology' and 57.67% in 'Arts & Science' institutions. the respondents preferred 'Effective search of online/electronic resources' as the first priority to Extent of Formal Library Education Has Assisted to Obtaining the Skills. 'Familiarity with automated acquisition and serial control' and 'Installation of software, antivirus tools and hardware troubleshooting' are the second and third preferences

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