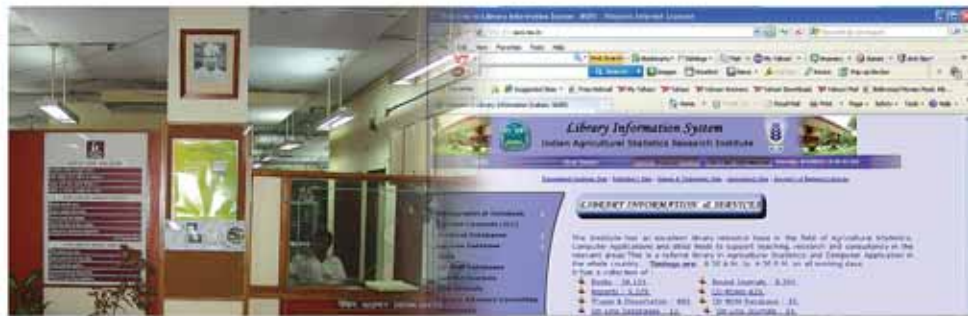# Library and Documentation

The Library of IASRI is one of the Regional Libraries of NARS (National Agricultural Research System) of the country. The Library has an excellent print and electronic resource base in the fields of Agricultural Statistics, Computer Applications, Agricultural Economics and allied sciences to support teaching, research and consultancy in the relevant areas. This is a sole referral library in Agricultural Statistics and Computer Applications in India. It caters to the information needs of students, faculty, researchers, scientists and trainees etc. not only of IASRI but also from different Institutes of ICAR and State Agricultural Universities under NARS both in conventional as well as electronic format.

The Library Advisory Committee plays an important role in Management of the Library and it clears proposals relating to enrichment of Resources of the library such as books, journals, On-line bibliographical, Statistical, Abstract cal and CD-ROM databases as well as Infrastructural development etc. The Library Advisory Committee for the year 2008-09 was as under:

Dr. S.D. Sharma	Chairman (up to August 2008)
Dr. V.K. Bhatia	Chairman (from13 August 2008)
Dr. V.K. Gupta	Member
Dr. H.V.L. Bathla	Member
Dr. P.K. Batra	Member
Dr. P.K. Malhotra	Member
Dr. Ranjana Agrawal	Member
Dr. Prajneshu	Member
Dr. Amit Kumar Vasisht	Member
Sh. A.K. Chaturvedi	Member
Capt. Mehar Singh	Member
Sh. Krishan Kumar	Member
Ms. Yogita Gharade	Student Representative
Dr. (Mrs.) P. Visakhi	Member Secretary

The internal administration and organization of the Library & Information System is supervised by Dr. (Mrs.) P. Visakhi, Librarian under the guidance of Dr. P.K. Malhotra as Scientist-in-Charge, Library.

Library Information System of the Institute is automated, barcoded and partially digitized. The Full text of M.Sc. and Ph.D. Thesis are available online in digital format. Library has its well featured website at *http://lib.iasri.res.in* which is accessible across the world in all 365 days.

Home page of Library Information System

During the year, the library provided following services to its users.

Reprographic Service (Manuals)

Periodicals

● Indian Journals - 41 (Print)
● Foreign Journals - 61 (Print)
● Computerized Services
  - Computerized Circulation
  - Bibliographical Database
  - On-line Catalogue
  - Archival Database (Digitized Thesis and old & Fragile Journals-) - 2
  - On-line Journals - 55
  - On-line Bibliographical Database - 7
  - CD-ROM Database (on-line and off-line) - 25
  - Current Content Service (JCC) - 1
  - Internet Search
  - On-line Enquiry (OPAC)
  - Current Awareness Service (New Arrivals)
  - On-line Reservation of Documentation
  - On-line User Profile Service
  - Consortium for e-Resources in Agriculture (CeRA) (http://www.cera.jccc.in) more than 2,000 Journals through NAIP

The following Computer Activities were undertaken:

● All resources added in the library have been bar-

coded and updated in the Library Bibliographical Database using "Alice for Windows" Library Management software.

● Library users were given Hands-on training whenever necessary on the use of library computerized services/resources

● All trainees of the short term training programmes held in the Institute were given lectures and Hands-on training on "On-line Library Information Services.

● Library subscribed/renewed the following Bibliographical, Statistical and Abstracting on-line portals during the period:
  – MathSciNet (http://www.ams.orgmathscinet.com)
  – Ingenta (http://gateway.ingenta.com)
  – Indiastat.com(http://indiastat.com)
  – Economic Intelligence Services (http://cmie.com)
  – State Analysis Services (http://172.16.1.239/sas/)
  – Indian Harvest (http://lib.iasri.res.in/cmie.asp)
  – Developing Library Network (http://delnet.nic.in)
  – Sciencedirect (http://www.sciencedirect.com)
  – Consortium for e-resources in Agriculture (CeRA) (http://www.cera.jccc.in)

Statistics Relating to the Library

Item	Number
Number of books added (English)	110
Number of books added (Hindi)	74
Number of grey literature added	152
Number of Indian journals subscribed	41
Number of Foreign journals subscribed	61
Number of On-line journals subscribed (Indian and Foreign)	55
Number of electronic and printed thesis added	17
Number of publications issued from the library	13,763
Number of users visited library website	35,000
Number of articles (E+P) received from DELNET	40
Number of books received on Inter-library loan through DELNET	10
Number of outside users accessed e-services in library premises (NARS)	563
Number of publication lent out on inter-library loan	122
Number of readers visited and consulted the library	14,500
Number of scientific and technical papers reprographed (pages)	17,543
Number of CD-ROM added	108
Number of articles sent under Document Delivery Services including digital format	274
Internet/databases access searches	60,000