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NIT Silchar signs MOU with University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign, USA

NIT Silchar has entered into a collaborative MOU with University Library & Mortenson Centre for International Library Programme of University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign, USA to create world class LIS facilities at NIT Silchar.

The MOU was signed by Prof. N. V. Deshpande, Director and Dr. Kishor Chandra Satpathy, Librarian on behalf of NIT Silchar and by Paula Kaufman, Interim Director; Susan Schnuer, Associate Director of Mortenson Centre for International Library Programs; and Walter K. Knorr, Comptroller on behalf of University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign on 6th June 2014.

The main purpose of this MOU is to facilitate the creation of a world-class, innovative, inviting and flexible library system to enhance campus learning, support research, and provide community outreach and service at NIT Silchar, through consultation and collaboration with the University Library of University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign, USA.

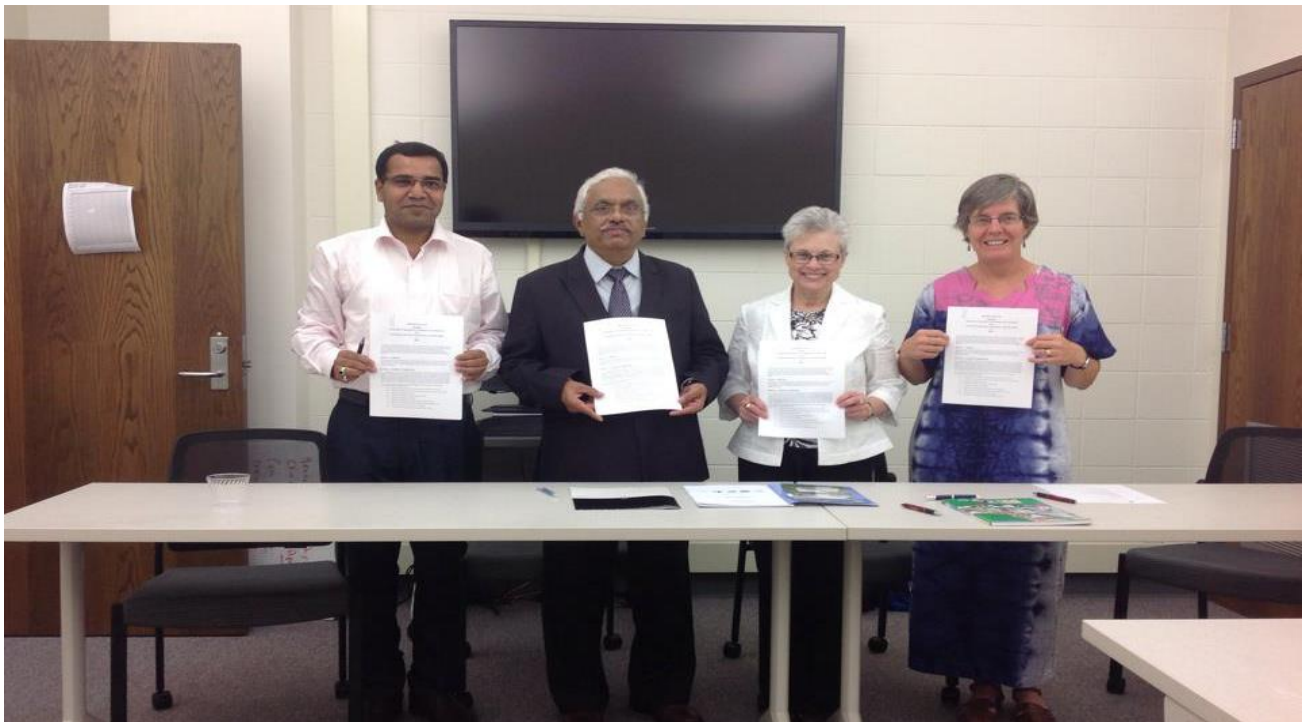


The PLANNED COLLABORATIONS of the MOU are:

Specific activities and programs envisioned as part of the ongoing collaboration between the libraries include:

- a. Development of a technology road map for the new library at NIT–Silchar.

- b. Assistance in planning library facilities that support research, services, and studying.
- c. Professional development for staff.
- d. Exploration of possible exchanges of academic staff.
- e. Assistance in collection development.
- f. Support in the development of a community outreach program.
- g. Other areas of collaboration identified during the initial assessment visit.
- h. Joint library projects involving research or training.
- i. Consultation on the design of an online Digital Library course.
- j. Consultation in developing new service model for the library.



Dr. Kishor Chandra Satpathy, Librarian & Prof. N. V. Deshpande, Director, NIT Silchar; Paula Kaufman, Interim Director; Susan Schnuer, Associate Director of Mortenson Centre for International Library Programs, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.



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Under the MOU, the first International Seminar on “What Next in Libraries” was organized.

