



Bharati Vidyapeeth's,
Matoshri Bayabai Shripatrao Kadam Kanya Mahavidyalaya, Kadegaon, Dist-Sangli.

Celebration of Dr.S. R. Ranganathan Jayanti

Organizer

Library Committee

Day and Date – Saturday 12 Aug.2023

Venue

Main Building B.V.M.B.S.K. Kanya Mahavidyalaya, Kadegaon, Dist-Sangli.

Dr. S. R. Ranganathan's birth anniversary holds a special place in our college's events. It unites our Principal, faculty, and students, as the Principal adorns Dr. S. R. Ranganathan's photo with a garland, symbolizing respect and legacy. The Librarian Mrs. Ulka Patil words shed light on Dr. S. R. Ranganathan's life and ideals, fostering appreciation for his contributions. This event sparks curiosity and honors his impact, making it more than a celebration; it's a transformative experience that imparts values and knowledge, strengthening our college community.



Ranganathan was born on 9 August 1892 in Siyali, Thanjavur, Tamil Nadu in an orthodox Hindu Brahmin family. His birth date is also written 12 August 1892 but he himself wrote his birth date 9 August 1892 in his book, *The Five Laws of Library Science*.

Shiyali Ramamrita Ranganathan was a librarian and mathematician from India. His most notable contributions to the field were his five laws of library science and the development of the first major faceted classification system, the colon classification. He is considered to be the father of library science, documentation, and information science in India and is widely known

throughout the rest of the world for his fundamental thinking in the field. His birthday is observed every year as the National Librarian Day in India. He was a university librarian and professor of library science at Banaras Hindu University (1945–47) and professor of library science at the University of Delhi (1947–55). The last appointment made him director of the first Indian school of librarianship to offer higher degrees. He was president of the Indian Library Association from 1944 to 1953. In 1957 he was elected an honorary member of the International Federation for Information and Documentation (FID) and was made a vice-president for life of the Library Association of Great Britain.



At first, Ranganathan found the solitude of the position was intolerable. In a matter of weeks, complaining of total boredom, he went back to the university administration to beg for his teaching position back. A deal was struck that Ranganathan would travel to London to study contemporary Western practices in librarianship, and that, if he returned and still rejected librarianship as a career, the mathematics lectureship would be his again. Ranganathan travelled to University College London, which at that time housed the only graduate degree program in library science in Britain. At University College, he earned marks only slightly above average, but his mathematical genius latched onto the problem of classification, a subject typically taught by rote in library programs of the time. As an outsider, he focused on what he perceived to be flaws with the popular decimal classification, and began to explore new possibilities on his own.

Participant - Faculty & Students



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