

**USE OF INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY (ICT)  
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**LIBRARIES OF TAMIL NADU: A STUDY**

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**ABSTRACT**

Information and Communication Technology (ICT) infrastructure is an important resource of a present library. It covers an array of hardware, software, services and networks that enable access to digital information. This study investigates the current state-of-the-art information and communication technology infrastructure and the extent of use of electronic information resources in university libraries of Tamil Nadu. The following methods were used to collect data for the investigation: (a) questionnaire surveys of Librarians, (b) semi-structured interviews with librarians and (c) observational visits in the libraries. All the libraries of Tamil Nadu that were using information and communication technologies were selected for the study. The data collected were analysed on standard statistical methods. The investigation provides useful information about the current state-of-the-art ICT infrastructure and use of electronic resources in university libraries of Tamil Nadu.

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