



STUDY FOR BETTER LIBRARY SERVICE IN RURAL AREAS OF BORSAD TALUKA

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ABSTRACT

The aim of Library is achieved only when sound reading habit among the teachers, public & students. Rural areas of Borsad taluka of Anand district of Gujarat state has very less facility of libraries in comparison of urban area. It is the main focusing question that how the people of rural areas use library? The present study focuses on better library service of rural areas of Borsad taluka. In the present study survey method has been used and the significance of two Mean was measured by 't' table followed by calculated and table values. Hypothesis was formed to measure impact of followed questionnaire. Whole calculation was done by computer programmes. The investigators prepared the questionnaire after co-author of the paper and interviewing some people of Borsad taluka. The questionnaire was administrated among 60 people from each category like students, teachers & public on random quota sampling total 180 were surveyed.

Introduction:

Today is the era of technology. People read books as well as e-Book. The number of people is increasing in reading e-Book through electronic media. Library plays a very important role in this fast changing e-environment of publishing. The goal of any library is to meet the researcher and other information needs of the user. In the new trends the online databases, e-journals facilitate formation of the consortia has proved to be one of the major solutions to the existing problem of budget crunches among the libraries and information centers. The teacher community is one of the most important user groups of the library. Role of libraries in rural areas are very important. Reading had a two fold purpose like it is a mean to acquire knowledge and it is a source of enjoyment. Reading provides valuable stimulus to the mind. We are living in an information society powered with the digital dynamics. The changing social condition and environment have lot of implications on the service of a modern library. ICT is now enabling a level of cooperation that is much broader and deeper than ever before. Librarians, as information managers, have been slow to keep pace with this change. Library plays key role in the development of the state and country. It comprises the activities leading to the development of the vision, the mission, the goals and policies of the library. It is also concerned with the

strategic planning of better library service with a sole motive staff to enhance their skills and expertise in conventional and e-learning associated services and operations. In the era of globalization people are using e-Book through internet for the betterment of knowledge. There are old libraries in rural areas. It is to know whether it is in working condition or not. This question arises in researchers mind. Researcher prepared questionnaire in the answer of questions with the view of experts.

Objective of the study:

- To provide better library services in rural area
- To know opinion of about use of library in rural area
- To survey better library service in Borsad taluka of Anand district.
- Observing students and people in the context of library
- To study changing scenario of the libraries of rural area
- To know about reading facilities available at rural areas.
- To know what are the information requirement of rural people.

Hypothesis of the Study:

1. There will be no significance difference between mean score of student and teacher opinion about the better services for library
2. There will be no significance difference between mean score of student and public opinion about the better services for library
3. There will be no significance difference between mean score of public and teacher opinion about the better services for library
4. There will be no



difference of knowledge among student teachers and public opinion about the better library services.

Methodology of the study:

The study was based on survey method for rural areas of Borsad taluka.of Anand District of Gujarat state. The size of the sample was 60 for each category total 180 people were surveyed. To know the better library services category was divided into three sections. Students, Academicians and public opinion were collected. A questionnaire was prepared in both languages English and Gujarati. Data was collected through questionnaire. There were 28 questions in questionnaire including yes / no and don't know answers three point scale opinion. To calculate scores of the given questionnaire statistical techniques were

followed questionnaire. Whole calculation was done by computer programmes. After the completion of Data collection Mean difference and Standard deviation was calculated. Test 't' was administered to measure assumed hypothesis.

Analysis and Interpretation of the Data:

To measure hypothesis and interpretation data and observation tabulation form was used.

Ho1 There will be no significance difference between mean score of student and teacher opinion about the better services for library. Sixty students and sixty teachers Mean and standard deviation were calculated and it is given as under.

It is obvious from the table that t calculated value is less than t table value so Ho1 is accepted. Opinion of

Ho 1

Significance of Mean Teachers and Students							
	NUMBER	MEAN SCORE	STD DEV	t calculated	t table	Significance	Remarks
Teachers	60	21.26	2.64	1.9	1.96(0.05)	NS	H0 accepted
Students	60	20.28	2.99		2.58(0.01)		
TOTAL	120					No difference between Teachers and Students	
	SED2	0.265161667					
	SED	0.514938508					
	M1-M2	0.98					
	t value	1.903139861					

Ho 2

Significance of Mean Teachers and Public							
	NUMBER	MEAN SCORE	STD DEV	t calculated	t table	Significance	Remarks
Teacher	60	21.26	2.64	0.37	1.96(0.05)	NS	
Public	60	21.06	3.12		2.58(0.01)		
TOTAL	120					No difference between Public and Teacher	
	SED 2	0.2784					
	SED	0.527636238					
	M1-M 2	0.2					
	t value	0.379049022					

Ho 3

Significance of Mean Students and Public							
	NUMBER	MEAN SCORE	STD DEV	t calculated	t table	Significance	Remarks
Students	60	20.28	2.99	1.39	1.96(0.05)	NS	
Public	60	21.06	3.12		2.58(0.01)		
TOTAL	120					No difference between Public and Students	
	SED2	0.311241667					
	SED	0.557890372					
	M1-M2	0.78					
	t value	1.398124147					

used. For the leading measure of the score Mean and standard deviation method of central tendency were applied. For the comparison of two groups 't' score was calculated by computer SPSS and Excel programme. The significance of two Mean was measured by 't' table followed by calculated and table values. Hypothesis was formed to measure impact of

students and teachers are almost equal about the library.

Ho2

There will be no significance difference between mean score of student and public opinion about the better services for library. Sixty students and sixty public Mean and standard deviation was calculated and it is given as under. It is obvious from the table

that t calculated value is less than t table value so Ho1 is accepted. Opinion of students and public are almost equal about the betterment of library in rural areas.

Ho3 :- There will be no significance difference between mean score of public and teacher opinion about the better services for library. Sixty teachers and sixty public Mean and standard deviation were calculated and it is given as under. It is obvious from the table that t calculated value is less than t table value so Ho1 is accepted. Opinion of teachers and public are almost equal about the betterment of library in rural areas.

Findings of the research: Observations and findings of the present study are as under. • There is no significance difference between mean scores of the student and teachers opinion about better library services in rural area. • There is no significance difference between mean scores of the student and public opinion about better library services in rural area. • There is no significance difference between mean scores of the public and teachers opinion about better library services in rural area. • 78 % people are telling that there should be library facility in rural area. • Rural Students are aware about library but do not know about e library. • 68 % public is telling that there should be loan facility in rural area library so they can easily access books. • Teacher use thrice, students use twice and public use library once in a week. • 34% Students want to establish library between author and students. • 92% people is opined that books should be reprint in rural libraries. • 87% people opined plan to prepare for seminar in library. • 92% teachers are opined that books are necessary for change in society. • Very few teachers are known about the e-Book and internet. • To get information 39% from each category from library and news-papers while 16% from internet. • Maximum teachers agreed that there are mobile or Zola pustak facilities introduce for better services. • Public and students were feeling difficult to find the books from the library.

Conclusions:

Library is the change-agent of society. If we are desire to better our society we should think seriously about maximum use of library and books reading. If we put example of reading books with various programmes

people will follow without rules.' Vanche Gujarat and then Vanche Pratyek Gujarati programme should be conducted. Periods of reading and sharing of knowledge should be compulsory for every class once in a week. If we provide internet facility in schools, college and society it will be Better library services for rural area. Present study concluded that there must be library or mobile library in rural areas. But if we spread love of reading books it will be best library services for students, teachers and people.

Suggestions:

- Authors suggest Zola Pustak library for shopkeepers/vendor, housewives and rural people reading facilities.
- Library grant should be increased;
- Library should have more staff,
- Reading rooms should be well equipped,
- Latest books and journals should be procured & information on new arrivals be circulated,
- Teachers should contribute articles in reputed journals, and they must consult journal regularly to keep them in touch with the latest knowledge,
- Give books on Marriage Occasions, as a Birthday Gift, Anniversary Ceremony, and Welcome Dignitaries with books (not to bouquets),
- Teachers should subscribe subject journals other than popular magazine, news-paper etc,
- UGC should encourage the teachers for writing of books in their subject area and research project should be increased,
- Government and NGO should create role for rural libraries,
- People should utilize their leisure time in reading good books,
- Library service should be available on Sunday or holiday also,
- Library staff should help to find out books as well as journal for readers,
- Book exhibition should organize time to time,
- Organize books discussion at library level also.

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