



Editorial

This is Volume 24, Number 2, December, 2022 of *Communicate: Journal of Library and Information Science*. With the general elections just around the corner, with fake news and non-fake news, the bad and good information, the beautiful and ugly scenarios flying around, I wish to let the general public know that the digital librarian is trained to sift all these and provide you with the AUTHENTIC. Therefore, I urge all and sundry to always have recourse to the library of all types in your community – public, school, Academic, Research and National Libraries. They abound in Nigeria, and are there to serve you.

In this volume are 15 papers, the first is titled: *Perceived self-efficacy and information Literacy skills as influencing factors for Reference service Delivery in Academic Libraries South-West Nigeria*. The study concluded that reference librarians in academic libraries need to improve on their information literacy skills since they are the image makers of the library to meet up with changing users' information demands. Following closely is the second paper titled: *Ethical issues in Knowledge Management in Nigerian Academic Libraries*. It focused on helping organizations involved in Knowledge management to apply ethical practices, while rethinking their traditions in the process of achieving their knowledge management goals. The third paper is: *Electronic information Resources Sharing in University Libraries in South East Nigeria*. Resource sharing has always been a problem in Nigerian University Libraries as a result of the poverty level of most libraries. Escalating cost of connectivity and attitude of heads of libraries were identified as part of the challenges affecting functional electronic resources sharing.

Reproductive Health Information seeking Behaviour among Undergraduates of Federal University, Oye-Ekiti, Nigeria is the Fourth paper. The paper made attempt to inform university authorities, health information developers, and other relevant stakeholders about planning, review and development of information materials to enhance reproductive health of university students. It stressed the need for academic libraries to play active roles in disseminating Reproductive Health Information (RHI) so as to expand students' access to credible RHI. *The fifth paper is on: Relationship Between the use of Microblogging Sites and Information Needs of Employees of Licensed Telecommunications Operators in Nigeria*. The article recommended training and

retraining as a tool for sensitizing employees on the potential benefits of using micro blogging sites to meet their information needs. The sixth paper is titled: ***Academic Librarian: the Generalist in Information Delivery***. The Paper discussed the many skills that the academic Librarian as a generalist is to possess to effectively operate in the current information age and society. Following closely is the seventh paper on: ***Extent of the Public University Librarians Agreement on the Utilization of Online Information Resources for effective service Delivery in Public University Libraries in South-East Nigeria***. The findings indicated that public university librarians' use of online information resources for efficient services delivery was to a high and impactful extent.

Librarians Work Attitude towards Disaster Management in University Libraries in South – South Nigeria is the eight paper. The authors recommended that Librarians must have positive work attitude to enhance disaster management. This as a result of the significant relationship between librarians work attitude librarians towards disaster management. The ninth paper comes from Ogun State Nigeria and is titled: ***Technology Literacy and Research Productivity of Academic staff of Selected Private Universities in Ogun State, Nigeria***. Today's world is technology driven. Therefore, the result of this study could not be for fetched as a result of the positive significant relationship between technology literacy and research productivity of academic staff. The authors recommended that university administrators should put in place policies that could boost and improve research skills of academic staff of universities. ***Competencies Possessed by Distance Learners to Access Information Resources in Three Distant Learning Federal University Libraries in Nigeria*** is the tenth paper. The paper found that some of the learners lacked required competencies for accessing information online, and this hinders their information retrieval efforts. It was also reported that there were challenges related to unavailability of information resources required by the learners.

The eleventh paper is titled: ***Artificial Intelligence in Libraries: Prospects and Challenges for Nigerian Academic Libraries***. This is a literature based study on the application of artificial intelligence (AI) and robotics to Library Service delivery. It is of the opinion that AI can be applied to library service delivery to ensure efficiency, effectiveness and quality of service. ***The Role of Abia State Public Library board in continuing Education*** is the twelfth paper. In a country where majority of the state public libraries are in a state of comatose, it is heartwarming to find that Abia State Public Library can boast of about 134 staff with all kinds of information materials including

Braille materials. There is, however, a call for government to ensure that adult citizens are cared for amongst other recommendations. *Awareness and Accessibility to Antenatal healthcare information in Katsina Metropolis* is the thirteenth paper. The author recommend that katsina state government and other stakeholders should organize trainings, workshops and enlightenment campaigns to create awareness on the existence of all aspects of Antenatal Healthcare Information. *Preservation and Conservation of Library Resources in Nigeria: A Review* is the Fourteenth paper. This is a general work on preservation and conservation of library resources. The challenges of both processes were discussed and the need for digital preservation was highlighted. The last and fifteenth paper is also on preservation and conservation. It is titled *preservation and conservation of Records in the emirate councils of North-East Nigeria*. The study was designed to identify the preservation methods employed by the councils in maintaining their valuable records. Different methods were identified, challenges noted, and recommendations were made to ensure better handling of the processes.

Happy Reading and enhanced knowledge from this useful package.

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