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Paper I — FOUNDATIONS OF LIBRARY AND
INFORMATION SCIENCE

(For those who joined in July 2005 and after)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 100 marks

Answer any FIVE questions.

All questions carry equal marks.

(5 × 20 = 100)

1. Examine the role of public libraries in the contemporary society in India.
2. Bring out the salient features of the Madras Public Libraries Act of 1948.
3. Explain the role of UNESCO in promoting library development among developing countries.
4. Explain the importance of 'resource sharing' among university libraries with particular reference to Tamilnadu State.
5. Discuss in detail the informal channels of communication.

6. Explain the term "Information Explosion" and describe the role of the various agencies in the generation of information.
7. Discuss the implications of The First Law of Library Science.
8. Write an essay on Indian Library Association.
9. Write short notes on any THREE of the following :
 - (a) Extension Service.
 - (b) National Library.
 - (c) Initiation of Freshman.
 - (d) Information transfer.
 - (e) Information Centre.

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Paper II — INFORMATION SOURCES AND SERVICES

(For those who joined in July 2005 and after)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 100 marks

Answer any FIVE questions.

All questions carry equal marks.

(5 × 20 = 100)

1. Define information sources and discuss the various types of information sources.
2. Define dictionary. Enumerate the various types of dictionary with suitable examples.
3. Examine the importance of directories and explain any one directory of your choice.
4. Define Bibliography and discuss various types of bibliography with suitable examples.
5. Define Reference Service and examine the need and importance of reference service.
6. Write an essay on Bibliographic databases for natural and physical sciences.

7. Examine the criteria for evaluating reference sources.
 8. Define CAS and examine the various methods of providing CAS for a special library.
 9. Write short notes on any THREE of the following :
 - (a) Documentation services
 - (b) Online database
 - (c) Biographical sources
 - (d) User Education
 - (e) SDI.
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