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## Librarians to be trained in e-Granthalaya

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PANAJI: The Goa state central library will soon tie up with the National Informatics Centre (NIC) to avail its e-Granthalaya so that readers can browse magazines and e-books through the platform.

Books of any subject, written by any author, can be thus be located with a single mouse click as the software maintains an online record of every book at the library.

The software has been developed by a team of experts from software as well as library and information science discipline and is useful for automation of in-house activities of the library like web-based data entry.

In a boost to the library movement in the state, and to provide the best library automation solutions, the central library will hold a workshop in November to train librarians in the technology.

"It's a government developed software, the installation of which is free of cost. We are going to have a workshop next month that will be conducted by NIC scientist RK Matoria to train librarians to use e-Granthalaya," said curator of the library, Carlos Fernandes.

He further added that a total of 40 librarians have already confirmed their participation for the workshop. Minister for art and culture, Govind Gaude will inaugurate the same on November 15.

The workshop will comprise presentations, live installation of the e-Granthalaya software followed by hands-on sessions to train the librarians.

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