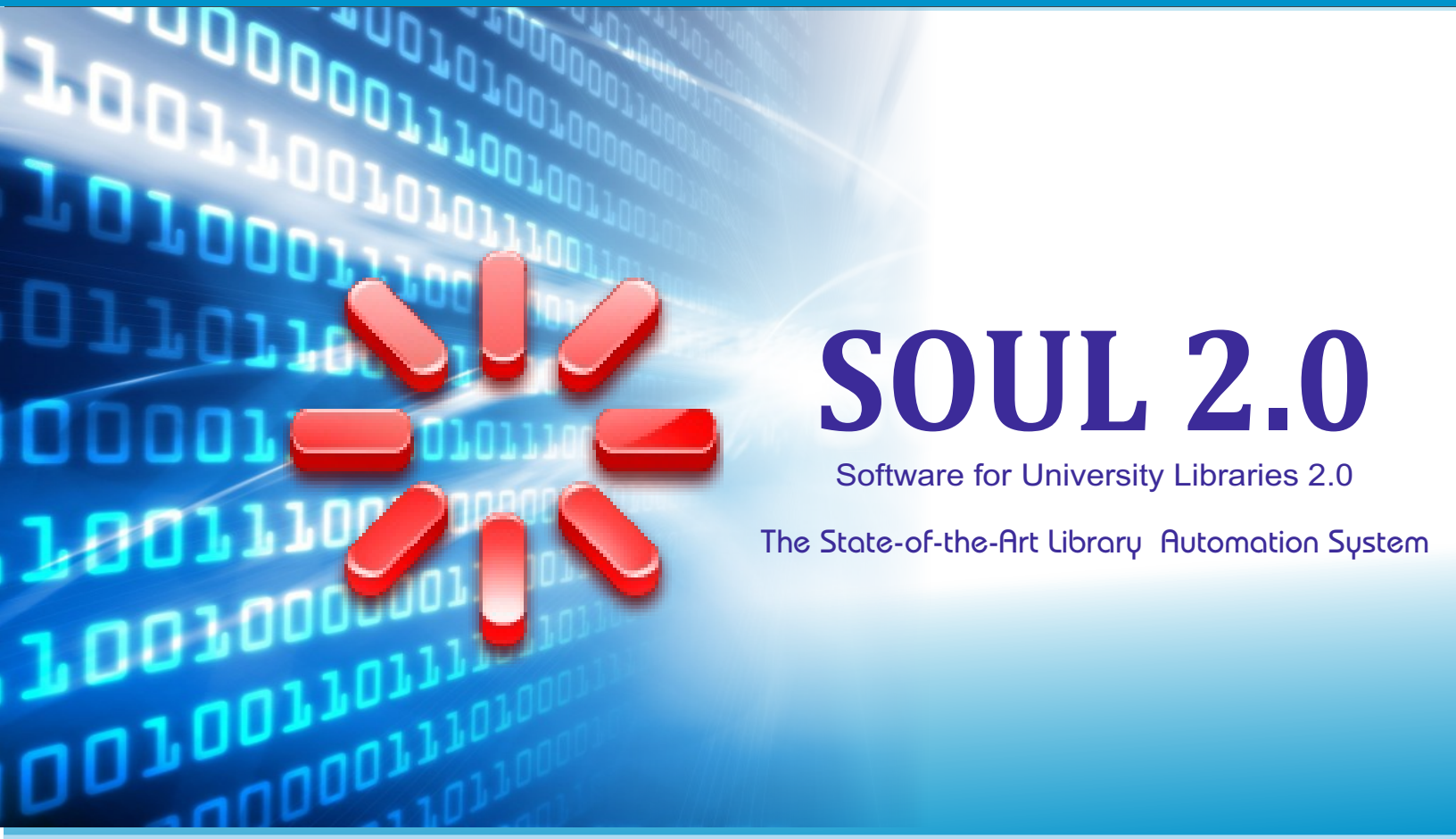
One Week Training Programme on

SOUL 2.0

Installation and Operations

27th August - 1st September, 2018



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Gandhinagar, Gujarat

About INFLIBNET

The Information and Library Network (INFLIBNET) Centre is an autonomous Inter-University Centre (IUC) of the University Grants Commission (UGC) located in the Infocity, Gandhinagar. Major activities and services of the Centre are geared towards modernization of academic libraries and information centres, promotion of information transfer and access, support scholarship, learning and academic pursuits. The Centre acts as a nodal agency for networking of libraries and information centres in universities, institutions of higher learning and R & D institutions in India. The Centre was established as an independent autonomous Inter-University Centre of the UGC in May 1996 and set out to be a major player for promoting scholarly communication among academicians and researchers across the country.

The technology being a driving force in the contemporary education system, the Centre has taken-up a number of initiatives for the benefit of the academic community in India. These initiatives include i) IndCat, a unified online catalogue of books, theses and journals available in major university libraries in India; ii) SOUL 2.0, state-of-the-art integrated library management software; iii) e-Shodh Sindhu for extending access to selected scholarly electronic journals and databases to eligible universities, centrally-funded technical institutions and colleges in different disciplines; iv) Shodhganga for enabling online submission of doctoral theses and dissertations by research scholars in an open access digital repository; v) Shodhgangotri for facilitating research scholars to submit approved synopsis of research proposals submitted to their universities; vi) Open Journals Access System (OJAS) to facilitate faculty and researchers in Indian universities to launch their open access journals on OJAS platform; vii) InfoPort: INFLIBNET's Subject Gateway for Indian Electronic Resources; viii) e-PG Pathshala, a project assigned to the UGC by NME-ICT, wherein e-content are being developed in 77 subjects at postgraduate level; ix) VIDWAN, a premier database of profiles of scientists and faculty members working in leading academic institutions and other R & D organisations involved in teaching and research in India; x) e-Acharya - an Integrated e-content portal: a web-based portal consisting of all e-content with funding from NME-ICT, MHRD; xi) ICSSR Data Service: Social Science Data Repository for setting up of repository and hosting of NSS and ASI datasets into the data repository; and xii) National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF), a project assigned by MHRD for ranking institutions of higher education across the country.

About SOUL 2.0

Software for University Libraries (SOUL) is a state-of-the-art integrated library management software designed and developed by the INFLIBNET Centre based on requirements of college and university libraries. It is a user-friendly software developed to work under client-server environment. The software is compliant to international standards for bibliographic formats, networking and circulation protocols. After a comprehensive study, discussions and deliberations with the senior professionals of the country, the software was designed to automate all house keeping operations in library. The software is suitable not only for the academic libraries, but also for all types and sizes of libraries, even school libraries. The first version of software i.e. SOUL 1.0 was released during CALIBER 2000.

The latest version of the software i.e. SOUL 2.0 was released in January 2009. The database for new version of SOUL is designed for latest versions of MS-SQL and MySQL (or any other popular RDBMS). SOUL 2.0 is compliant to international standards such as MARC 21 bibliographic format, Unicode based Universal Character Sets for multilingual bibliographic records and NCIP 2.0 and SIP 2 based protocols for electronic surveillance and control.

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The Centre is organising intensive "One Week Training Programme on SOUL 2.0 Installation and Operations" at INFLIBNET Centre, Gandhinagar for those who have purchased SOUL 2.0 Software. The training programme provides more focus on the operational techniques of SOUL 2.0 with theory and hands on practice.

Areas Covered

The following areas will be covered in the theory and hands on practical:

- INFLIBNET Activities and Services
- SOUL Overview and Administrative Module
- SOUL 2.0 Acquisition Module
- SOUL 2.0 Cataloguing Module
- SOUL 2.0 Circulation Module
- SOUL 2.0 Serials Control Module
- SOUL 2.0 Installation and backup/Restore
- WebOpac Setup and Installation

Resource Persons

The resource persons are eminent and experienced Computer and LIS Scientists from the INFLIBNET Centre.

Target Participants

Those who are using SOUL 2.0 software or wish to purchase software can also participate in the training programme. A maximum of 20-25 candidates are to be selected for the training programme on First-Come-First-Serve basis..

Pre-requisite

Participants should be conversant with basic knowledge of library and information science and basic knowledge of computer operation will be preferred.

Duration: One Week (27th August - 1st September, 2018)

Venue

The training will be conducted at Information and Library Network Centre, An IUC of University Grants Commission, Infocity, Gandhinagar-382007, Gujarat, India.

Training Fee

The registration fee is Rs.5,900/- (Rupees Five thousand nine hundred only) per person with accommodation. It includes training kit, breakfast, lunch, dinner and tea. No TA/DA will be provided by Centre.

Accommodation

The Centre will arrange accommodation during the period of training at INFLIBNET Guest House (A/C Room) on twin sharing basis. The participants must send prior intimation and charges for accommodation along with registration fees. The accommodation will be provided first come first basis.

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Registration

The application for registration to the training should be submitted in the enclosed form/online to INFLIBNET Centre, send to **Sh. H G Hosamani, Scientist-C (LS) on or before 22 August, 2018.**

How to Reach INFLIBNET

Road Routes: Gandhinagar is connected to Surat, Mumbai, and Navi Mumbai through National Highway 8A. It is connected to Ahmedabad, Jaipur, Udaipur, New Delhi & Chandigarh through the National Highway 8C.

Air Connectivity: The nearest airport is Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel International Airport, Ahmedabad located at a distance of 15KM from Domestic flights are available for the Metropolitans and other major cities of India. It also provides many International flights from Ahmedabad to across the world.

Rail Connectivity: The nearest Railway Station is Ahmedabad Railway Station (Known as Kalupur) which is well connected to all metropolitans and other major cities of India. The Ahmedabad Railway station is located at a distance of 23 Km from the INFLIBNET Centre, Gandhinagar.

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