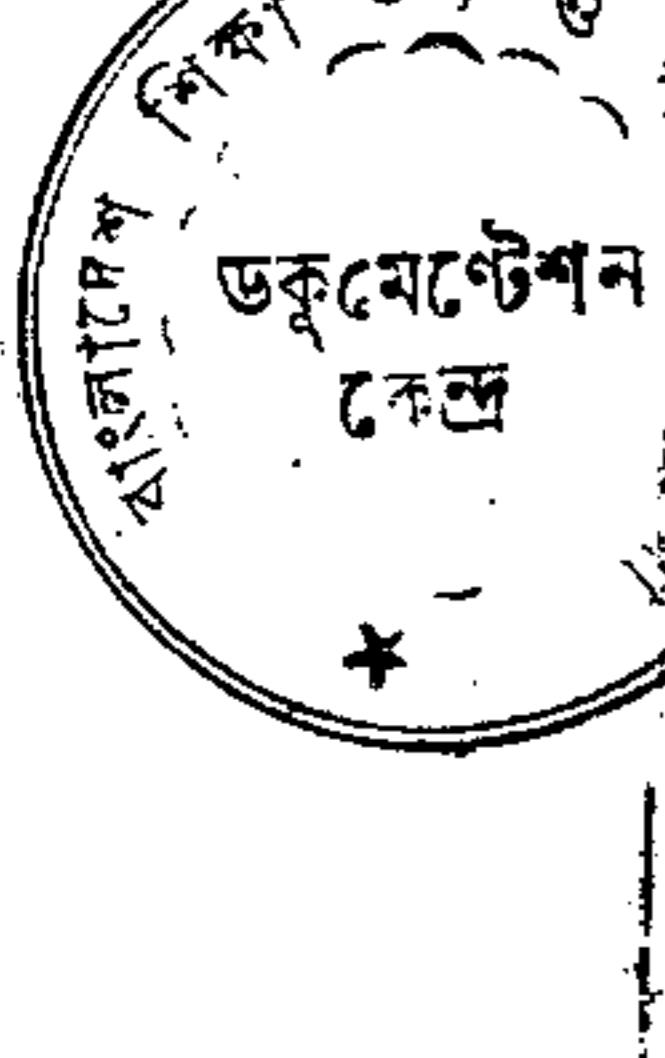


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Information networks in MUSING

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they can be solved:

INITIAL PROBLEMS

It is taken as an axiom that every information centre would participate in co-operative network, but in reality all may not be willing to do so for lack of awareness. To overcome the problem IMIN may plan to consolidate efforts to bring awareness among the participants. Co-operation among information scientists is most important and willingness of professionals to co-operate is a "Sine qua non" for any co-operative information system. Other levels in co-operation and co-ordination are among institutions and authorities responsible for education, research, planning and application.

Lack of well-trained and well-informed personnel, hence weak management and other organizational weaknesses are prevalent in many of the libraries and information centres of developing Muslim countries. There is lack of required funds. Hence absence of balanced collection in many information centres. National authorities may be motivated to improve the condition of libraries in respect of physical facilities, personnel and resources.

Selecton of information resources have done with

All Muslims of the world have access to and duties towards Masjid and likewise all the centres of information may have been ideally regarded as access places for the seekers. The concept of development also means increase in knowledge. Every nation aspires to develop their sciences and technology and change their situations in the hard struggle for existence. To save mankind from the danger from competition for supremacy over others, disregard for moral values, addiction to killer drugs wine and smoking, misuse of natural wealth trafficking of immoral activities, the responsible agencies should find power from knowledge through sharing it. We believe that knowledge is light, knowledge is power and knowledge is real friend in need.

To fulfill and establish Islamic ideals in human life for promotion of Peace and happiness in the world and here-after search for knowledge is a primary condition to remove diversity of temporal ideas, superstition and narrow conception of life and to bring thereby unity of mankind and realization of "Aihadath".

Resource-sharing and network of information delivery are

(d) establishing a biographical information centre as a leading organization to compile and develop a comprehensive union list of scientific periodicals and books with the help of modern equipment.

SCIENTIFIC INFORMATION NETWORK

A scientific information network may be developed to exchange mutual information on science and research, promote and strengthen co-operative projects, consolidate and expand an information network for science within a country, develop database in local and English languages.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION NETWORK:

A system may be developed

This system of co-operative information delivery should have been developed for strengthening bondage of brotherhood by mutual exchange of developed and better ideas and explanations of scholars throughout ages about the teachings of Islam and practice of Islam as a "Complete Code of Life". The system may help consolidate, promote and expand an information for 'Tablig' within the country.

REGIONAL LEVEL

A network linking all the national network may be established at a convenient region with a regional secretariat to support the activities of the national network. One of the

- A system may be developed to exchange mutual information on technology and practical application of a science and research, promote and strengthen co-operative projects, consolidate and expand an information network for technology within the country, develop databases in local and English languages.
- HEALTH INFORMATION NETWORK**
- This system may be developed at national level where national focal points may be strengthened with physical facilities and adequate number of skilled personnel for deliberation of functions of a regional secretariat. The regional network might be considered useful for the regions where easy communication is not possible all the time for geographical and similar other causes.
- INTRAREGIONAL LEVEL**

This system may be developed to exchange mutual information on national health, health science, medical research, promote and strengthen co-operative health projects, consolidate and expand an information network for health sciences education and research within a country, establish and strengthen a

INRA-REGIONAL

A centre of excellence for overall support of the activities of the regional and national network may be established with a central secretariat. Active patronage from international organizations like Organization of Islamic Conference (OIC) for IMIN may be an expectation.