

## Library and information science journals on the UGC API list: A Study

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The University Grants Commission (UGC) has brought out API linked selection and promotion of teachers and other academic staff through the UGC Regulations 2010. It is also applied to the library staff at the level of Assistant librarian cadre and above and also college librarian. The UGC had made four amendments in the Regulations as quality measures in the past. The UGC recently identified and issued a list of 38652 journals for counting of API in the category of Research Publication - Journals for selection/promotion of teachers and other academic staff in the universities and colleges. The present study analyzes this list and identifies some issues with respect to the LIS journals.

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### Introduction

UGC brought out career advancement scheme for teachers and other academic staff (including library staff of Assistant Librarian and above cadre in universities and librarians in colleges) from 1998<sup>1</sup> as part of revision of pay scale in line with the fifth pay commission for central government employees. In the past, UGC linked the publications with the research and academic activities of teachers with the selection and promotion process.

Research journals are important publication outlets for researchers. Newer researches are published in the subject specific journals. Quality of journals has always been an issue in the academic and professional circles. In UGC Regulations 2010<sup>2</sup>, Academic Performance Indicator (API) was introduced. As an amendment to this Regulations, the UGC notified the list of 38,652 journals on 10<sup>th</sup> January 2017<sup>3</sup>. Only research papers published in these identified journals are to be considered for the purpose of selection and promotion of university and college teachers and other academic staff in the country. The list covers all subjects and faculties and has been arranged alphabetically. The present paper discusses some

issues concerning journals in library and information science.

### Linking publications with API

The UGC Regulations 1998 linked three best publications for promotion to the post of associate professor and best five publications for professor. The regulations did not describe any more detail about the nature of publication in the regulations but those publications were to be evaluated by three experts in the subject and on positive report, further process used to take place. It was the prerogative of the university/experts to consider the quality of the publications. In absence of clear cut policy/guidelines, varied publications in the name of course material, conference papers, edited books, journal articles, etc published in subject based or other journals or magazines were considered prior to 2009.

To overcome the pitfalls of the above regulations, the UGC introduced Academic Performance Indicator (API) in the “UGC Regulations on minimum qualifications for appointment of teachers and other academic staff in universities and colleges and measures for the maintenance of standards in higher

education 2010” which came into force from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2009. The regulation states that “Overall selection procedure shall incorporate transparent, objective and credible methodology of analysis of the merits and credentials of the applicants based on weightage given to the performance of the candidate in different relevant dimensions and his/her performance on a scoring system performa, based on the Academic Performance Indicators (API) as provided in the table i to ix of appendix III”. These tables include proposed score for Academic Performance Indicators (APIs) in recruitment and career advancement of university and college teachers, director of physical education and librarians. There are three categories of activities, namely:

1. Teaching, learning and evaluation related activities
2. Co-curricular, extension and professional development related activities
3. Research and academic contribution

The category-3 Research and Academic Contributions offers different scores for APIs for:

- (A) Research papers published in referred journal
- (B) Research publications (books, chapters in books, other than referred journal articles)
- (C) Research projects
- (D) Research guidance
- (E) Training course and conferences/seminars/workshop papers

The regulations 2010 also states that:

- (i) “Besides the indexed publications documented by various discipline-specific databases, the University concerned shall draw through committee(s) of subject experts and ISBN/ISSN experts: (a) a comprehensive list of National/regional level journals of quality in the concerned subject(s); (b) a comprehensive list of Indian language journals/periodicals/official publication volume of language bodies and upload them on the University website which are to be updated periodically.
- (ii) In respect of Indian language publications, equivalence in quality shall be prescribed for

universities located in a State by a Co-ordination Committee of experts to be constituted by the Chancellor of the concerned State University.

- (iii) At the time of assessing the quality of publications of the candidates during their appointments/promotions, the selection committee shall have to be provided with the above two lists which could be considered by the selection committees along with the other discipline-specific database.
- (iv) The UGC shall constitute a Committee as soon as practicable, in so far as acceptability of the (list of) Indian language journals so developed by universities/states, to arrive at equivalence in quality of such publications with otherwise accepted and recognized journals”.

Large number of universities could not devise above mechanism however the selection/ promotion continued and as a corrective measure, the UGC brought out amendment in the Regulation as below:

The University shall identify the journals subject-wise through subject expert committees and forward the recommendations to UGC in the format prescribed by UGC for approval of the UGC Standing Committee. The journals approved from this list, by the UGC Standing Committee, shall be included in the “List of Journals” notified by the UGC. The UGC Standing Committee shall give its recommendations within 60 working days of the receipt of the list from the University. The UGC Standing Committee may also, *suomotu*, recommend journals for inclusion in the “List of Journals”.

Table 1 clarifies that there are different points for API for refereed journals and other non-refereed journals. The points awarded to both the categories have also changed with the amendment in July 2016<sup>4</sup>.

Many universities had submitted their journal lists to the UGC but these titles were not included in the list of journals released by UGC on 10<sup>th</sup> January 2017. Again on 30<sup>th</sup> January the UGC asked for submission of list of journals, if not included in the list mentioned on the UGC website<sup>5</sup>.

The UGC mentions that this list would be ‘dynamic’ and there will be updation of list from time

Table 1—API Score for Research papers as per 4<sup>th</sup> Amendment of UGC Regulations, 2016

Activity	Faculties of Sciences / Engineering / Agriculture / Medical / Veterinary Sciences	Faculties of Languages / Humanities / Arts / Social Sciences / Library / Physical Education / Management	Maximum score for University / College teacher*	Amendment in 2016 for maximum Score* <sup>1</sup>
	Refereed Journals	Refereed Journals as notified by the UGC	15/publication	25/publication
Research Papers Published in:	Non-referred but recognized and reputable journals and periodicals having ISBN/ ISSN <sup>#1</sup>	Non-referred but recognized and reputable journals and periodicals having ISBN/ ISSN	10/publication	10/publication

\*Wherever relevant to any specific discipline, the API score for the paper in referred journal would be augmented as: (i) Indexed journal- by 5 points; (ii) Paper with impact factor between 1 and 2- by 10 points; (iii) Paper with impact factor between 2 and 5- by 15 points; (iv) Paper with impact factor between 5 and 10- by 25 points.

As an amendment to the above regulation, the UGC revised the above API points as below:  
\*<sup>1</sup>Wherever relevant to any specific discipline, the API score for paper in refereed journal would be augmented as follows: (i) paper with impact factor less than 1 - by 5 points; (ii) papers with impact factor between 1 and 2 by 10 points; (iii) papers with impact factor between 2 and 5 by 15 points; (iv) papers with impact factor between 5 and 10 by 20 points; (v) papers with impact factor above 10 by 25 points.

#1 In the 4<sup>th</sup> Amendment of UGC Regulations, dated 11 July 2016<sup>4</sup>, the UGC changed in category-3 for non-referred journals as "Other reputed journals as notified by the UGC". ISSN is also delinked from such journals.

to time. But, this list must also be seen carefully in order to make it useful for the purpose it is made for.

### Objectives of the study

- To establish the role of journal publications in API of UGC;
- To discuss aspects such as searching, duplication of items, subject coverage, titles with multiple occurrence about the limitations of the UGC list of journals; and
- To consolidate the list of journals in the field of library and information science from the point of view of API.

### Methodology

#### Arrangement

The UGC notification "No.F.1-2/2016 (PS) Amendments" dated 10 January 2017 brought out five alphabetical lists of journals available at the UGC website [www.ugc.ac.in](http://www.ugc.ac.in) (Table 2).

Table 2 reveals that, in all there are five lists with different number of journals. All the journals in the

above five lists are arranged alphabetically. In the first list there is alphabetical list of journals from serial no. 2-296 (*World Journal of Endocrine Surgery* at no.296) and again started alphabetically from serial no. 297.

#### Searching the list

While scanning the page no. 1 of the first list, it is found that it has 45 journal titles from various subjects, cluster of subjects, faculties, multidisciplinary, general, etc. Table 3 gives details of the subjects of the journals on the page one of the UGC approved list.

With the description given in Table 3, it was difficult to consolidate the list for any particular subject. For consolidating journal titles in the subject of library and information science, the following mechanism was followed.

1. Searching from all the five lists
2. Searching from the source lists/information available about the three databases, namely Web of Science, Scopus and Indian Citation Index.

Table 2—Statistics of journals in each list of UGC approved journals

List	No. of pages	No of journals appearing in the list	Sr. No. beginning from and ending with
1	232	9332	2* to 9333
2	280	10459	9334 to 19792
3	202	7571	19793 to 27363
4	216	7319	27364 to 34682
5	106	3971	34683 to 38653
Total		38652	

\*Journal titles start from serial no. 2, serial no. 1 includes heading

Table 3—Subjects included in list of UGC approved journals

Earth and planetary sciences; environmental science	Computer science; social sciences	Materials science
Engineering; physics and astronomy	Economics & business	Physics and astronomy
Agricultural science	Agricultural and biological sciences	Social sciences
Medicine; pharmacology, toxicology and Pharmaceutics	Chemistry	Multidisciplinary
Agricultural and biological sciences	Business, management and accounting; engineering; Environmental science; materials science	Immunology and microbiology; medicine
Medicine	Biochemistry, genetics and molecular biology	Engineering
Neuroscience & behavior	Arts and humanities; social sciences	Mathematics

It was difficult to find and prepare list of journals for any particular subject searching from all the pages given in the five lists of UGC approved journals. We used the terms 'library', 'libraries' and 'librarian' for conducting the search. Table 4 provides details of the results with selected keywords in list of UGC approved journals.

#### Preparing a consolidated list

Additionally, the following approach was followed to prepare a consolidated list.

1. The subjects under which journals are categorized vary largely. Only 15 journals are categorized under subject 'library'. These 15 journals are from Indian Citation Index. Many periodical titles containing the term library but not related to the discipline of library and information science (sr. no. 1 to 14) or merely related with a particular library/region (sr. no. 15 to 23), were removed (Table 5).
2. In the list of UGC approved journals, journal titles that appeared more than once were removed.

Table 6 gives details of the duplicate titles from the list.

3. There are many relevant LIS journals without 'library'; 'libraries' and 'librarian' in the title of the journal. Terms such as documentation, information, access, serial, acquisition, collection, reference, classification, digital, lending, etc, were used for identifying journals related to the subject. Here again, terms like information and digital were part of the journal title in other subjects. Identifying such titles as LIS journals was based on the knowledge and experience of authors.
4. The authors checked journal details from source titles available on Web of Science and Scopus. Scopus source list provides information about the activeness/inactiveness of each journal. 'Inactive' titles from Scopus source list are excluded from the final list of journals.

Finally, authors consolidated the alphabetic list of 126 journal titles with serial number, source, subject as indicated in the UGC list and active status as per Scopus source list (Annexure 1).

**Discussions****The Source List**

The UGC brought out a dynamic list of 38,652 journals gathered from three citation databases Scopus, ICI and Web of Science <sup>6,7,8</sup> both from India and abroad. Table 7 gives brief information about the

three databases.

**The subject area**

The list of UGC approved journals has four columns, namely serial number, title, source and subject. Many journals of library and information

Table 4—Search results with selected keywords in list of UGC approved journals

List	Library		Libraries		Librarian	
	Title	Subjects	Title	Subjects	Title	Subjects
List-1	17	1	7	0	3	0
List-2	15	7	4	0	3	0
List-3	41	5	4	0	6	0
List-4	10	1	2	0	2	0
List-5	02	1	0	0	2	0
Total	85	15	17	0	16	0

Total Title (118); Subjects (15\*)

\*Title no. 9576 (*DESIDOC Journal of Library & Information Technology*) and 21358 (*Journal of Library and Information Science*) are not detected while searching with Library, while these exist in the subject list.

Table 5—List of removed journals

Sl. No.	UGC List Serial No.	Title	Source
1.	2491	<i>Analytical Spectroscopy Library</i>	Scopus
2.	5595	<i>Brill's Humanities in China Library</i>	Scopus
3.	5596	<i>Brill's Indological Library</i>	Scopus
4.	5598	<i>Brill's Japanese Studies Library</i>	Scopus
5.	5609	<i>Brill's Tibetan Studies Library</i>	Scopus
6.	8488	<i>Constitutional Law Library</i>	Scopus
7.	14567	<i>History of Science and Medicine Library</i>	Scopus
8.	15731	<i>Industrial Chemistry Library</i>	Scopus
9.	18169	<i>IRCS Medical Science. Library Compendium</i>	Scopus
10.	19683	<i>Journal of Chromatography Library</i>	Scopus
11.	24718	<i>Library of Economic History</i>	Scopus
12.	24719	<i>Library of the Written Word</i>	Scopus
13.	27625	<i>North-Holland Mathematical Library</i>	Scopus
14.	29266	<i>Pharmacochemistry Library</i>	Scopus
15.	5348	<i>Bodleian Library Record</i>	Scopus
16.	5597	<i>Brill's Inner Asian Library</i>	Scopus
17.	6087	<i>Bulletin. John Rylands University Library of Manchester</i>	Scopus
18.	14051	<i>Harvard Library Bulletin</i>	Scopus
19.	28538	<i>Osler Library Newsletter</i>	Scopus
20.	35875	<i>The Huntington Library Quarterly</i>	Scopus
21.	37673	<i>Watermark (Archivists and Librarians in the History of the Health Sciences)</i>	Scopus
22.	37674	<i>Watermark (Association of Librarians in the History of the Health Sciences)</i>	Scopus
23.	38111	<i>Yale University Library Gazette</i>	Scopus

Table 6—List of duplicate titles

Sl. No.	UGC List Serial No.	Title	Source	Subject
1	4301	<i>Australian Academic &amp; Research Libraries</i>	WoS	Social Sciences, General
	4302	<i>Australian Academic and Research Libraries</i>	Scopus	Social Sciences
2	6342	<i>Canadian Journal of Information and Library Science</i>	Scopus	Computer Science; Social Sciences
	6343	<i>Canadian Journal of Information and Library Science-Revue Canadienne Des Sciences De L Information Et De Bibliotheconomie</i>	Wos	Social Sciences, General
3	7925	<i>College &amp; Research Libraries</i>	WoS	Social Sciences, General
	7926	<i>College and Research Libraries</i>	Scopus	Social Sciences
4	9575	<i>DESIDOC Bulletin of Information Technology</i>	ICI	Library
	9576	<i>DESIDOC Journal of Library &amp; Information Technology</i>	ICI	Library
	9577	<i>DESIDOC Journal of Library and Information Technology</i>	Scopus	Social Sciences
5	15892	<i>Information Retrieval</i>	Scopus	Computer Science; Social Sciences
	15893	<i>Information Retrieval Journal</i>	WoS	Computer Science
6	23401	<i>Journal of the Medical Library Association</i>	WoS	Social Sciences, General
	23402	<i>Journal of the Medical Library Association: JMLA</i>	Scopus	Medicine; Social Sciences
7	24709	<i>Library Collections Acquisitions &amp; Technical Services</i>	WoS	Social Sciences, General
	24710	<i>Library Collections, Acquisition and Technical Services</i>	Scopus	Computer Science; Social Sciences
8	24723	<i>Library Resources &amp; Technical Services</i>	WoS	Social Sciences, General
	24724	<i>Library Resources and Technical Services</i>	Scopus	Computer Science; Social Sciences
9	25083	<i>Malaysian Journal of Library &amp; Information Science</i>	WoS	Social Sciences, General
	25084	<i>Malaysian Journal of Library and Information Science</i>	Scopus	Social Sciences
10	31461	<i>Reference &amp; User Services Quarterly</i>	WoS	Social Sciences, General
	31462	<i>Reference and User Services Quarterly</i>	Scopus	Computer Science; Social Sciences
11	37673	<i>Watermark (Archivists and Librarians in the History of the Health Sciences)</i>	Scopus	Medicine
	37674	<i>Watermark (Association of Librarians in the History of the Health Sciences)</i>	Scopus	Medicine

Journals were mentioned in the UGC recommended list in different style at different numbers as mentioned in column 3 of the table.

Table 7—Information about Scopus, Web of Science and Indian Citation Index (ICI)

Scopus	A complete source list of 35864 journals title is available with maximum details about the journals e.g. title, publisher, ISSN, activeness /de-activeness, coverage, history etc.
Web of Science	The Master Journal List of indexed journals is available and it includes total 22,714 journal titles covered in Web of Science. It includes only journal's title; publisher, ISSN, frequency.
ICI	It covers about a thousand Indian scholarly journals encompassing all disciplines of knowledge; Source list of the indexed journals is not available on the homepage in open domain.

science are covered under subjects: Social Sciences, General and other subjects (Table 8).

#### Inactive titles

In the life of a journal, many a change can take place like change in title, frequency of publication, format, title and change of publisher. The Scopus source list includes 57 journals that have been marked as 'Inactive' (Annexure 2). Many of these have been published with new names, and the new titles of such journals do not figure in the UGC recommended list of journals.

*International Journal of Information Processing and Management* is included in the UGC list at no. 16986. However, Scopus source list states that the titles does not "meet the Scopus quality criteria anymore and therefore Scopus discontinued the forward capturing".

#### Changed titles

Publishers are known to change titles of journals. Previous titles of some journals in the list are given while others are left, for example, *SRELS Journal of Information Management* and *Annals of Library and*

*Information Studies* having other title in the past. It is not clear if, papers published in previous titles of the currently listed journals would be considered for counting of API.

#### Authors having greater cited papers than the UGC API List

No doubt large number of journals has been covered in the list but there could be a scenario where a paper published in an uncovered journal has been highly cited. For example, the first author of this paper has published papers in a large number of journals, most of which are on the UGC list. But the highly cited paper (40 citations as per Google Scholar)<sup>9</sup> published in Special Library Association's *Information Outlook* that is listed in the major library and information science abstracting/indexing databases, like LISA, LISTA and Library Literature and Information Science Index has not been under consideration in the UGC API as the journal is not listed by UGC does not figure in the list<sup>10,11,12</sup>.

#### Indian journals and coverage in the list

Library and information science journals in India have a history of over hundred years. According to a study, in all 186 periodicals have been published

Table 8—Examples of LIS journals, which are mentioned in other subject

Sl. no.	UGC list serial no.	Title	Source	Subject in UGC List
1	6028	<i>Bulletin of the Medical Library Association</i>	Scopus	Medicine
2	6077	<i>Bulletin Special Libraries Association, Geography and Map Division</i>	Scopus	Earth and Planetary Sciences; Environmental Science
3	19494	<i>Journal of Business and Finance Librarianship</i>	Scopus	Business, Management and Accounting
4	5807	<i>Bulletin - Association of Canadian Map Libraries and Archives</i>	Scopus	Earth and Planetary Sciences
5	14165	<i>Health libraries review</i>	Scopus	Medicine
6	15880	<i>Information Management</i>	Scopus	Business, Management and Accounting; Computer Science; Decision Sciences
7	15893	<i>Information Retrieval Journal</i>	WoS	Computer Science
8	15894	<i>Information Sciences</i>	WoS & Scopus	Computer Science
9	17779	<i>International Library Review</i>	Scopus	Medicine
10	21355	<i>Journal of Librarianship</i>	Scopus	Medicine
11	23081	<i>Journal of the American Society for Information Science</i>	Scopus	Engineering
12	23082	<i>Journal of the American Society for Information Science and Technology</i>	Scopus	Computer Science
13	31857	<i>Resource Sharing and Library Networks</i>	Scopus	Computer Science; Decision Sciences

during one hundred years until 2014, out of which 123 are alive<sup>13</sup>. In the past, ‘quality’ of journals has been assessed based on circulation figures, total number of pages per volume, number of times cited in the literature, and coverage by indexing services. Different authors have attempted to rank Indian journals on different parameters (Table 9).

Sen identified the top 7 Indian LIS journals<sup>19</sup> out of which *Herald of Library Science*; *ILA Bulletin* and *Lucknow Librarian* are not in the UGC list. In the past, authors have published papers in these journals but the non-inclusion of these journals in the UGC list automatically will not consider papers in whatever good journals in the past.

#### Journals with no contributions from India

It is seen that some journals such as African Journal of Library Archives and Information Science (Sr.No.1625); Australian Academic and Research Libraries (Sr. No. 4302); Australian Library Journal (Sr. No. 4424); Community and Junior College Libraries (Sr. No. 8083); and Behavioral and Social Sciences Librarian (Sr. No. 4654) have never published any Indian papers in the past. Such journals need to be re-examined for inclusion.

#### Category-wise List

Further to the list of recommended journals by UGC on 10<sup>th</sup> January 2017, the UGC brought out

category-wise list (Science, Social Science, Arts & Humanities) for the journals for easier reference on 28<sup>th</sup> March 2017<sup>20</sup>.

From the previous list, the category-wise list has additional information about the journal- broad subject category; publisher; ISSN; E-ISSN and Country. Search results are available in tabs of A to Z list of journals. Users can save search results into CSV; Excel; PDF formats and can also copy and prints the results. But, still titles with multiple occurrences; availability of inactive titles, variation in subject category remain in the list. While searching select journals from 126 journals (Annexure 1), some of the following problems were observed, narrated here with example:

- a. *Australian Academic & Research Libraries* has two entries at sr no. 1557 & 1558 in the category-wise list, published from Australia and UK, respectively.
- b. *Canadian Journal of Information and Library Science* has two entries at sr no. 4847 & 4848 in the category-wise list, published by University of Toronto Press, Canada and Canadian Assoc Information Science, Canada, respectively.
- c. *Journal of Librarianship* at sr. no. 30467 in the category list is covered in ‘Medicine’ and ‘Science’ in subject and broad subject-category, respectively.

Table 9—Top ranked Indian LIS Journals\*

Sl. no.	Mahapatra (1994) <sup>14</sup> (on the basis of bibliometric analysis of rate of citations and their characteristics)	Kherde (2003) <sup>15</sup> (based on citations in the journal during 1996-2001)	Patra and Chand (2006) <sup>16</sup> (based on number of papers from LISA during 1967-2004)	Patra and Chand (2009) <sup>17</sup> (based on number of papers from LISA during 1967-2005)	Mahesh (2012) <sup>18</sup> (Cited reference in Web of Science)
1.	<i>Annals of Library Science &amp; Documentation</i>	<i>Annals of Library Science &amp; Documentation</i>	<i>Herald of Library Science</i>	<i>Herald of Library Science</i>	<i>Annals of Library and Information Studies</i>
2.	<i>Herald of Library Science</i>	<i>IASLIC Bulletin</i>	<i>Annals of Library and Information Studies</i>	<i>Annals of Library and Information Studies</i>	<i>Herald of Library Science</i>
3.	<i>Journal of Library and Information Science</i>	<i>Library Science with a Slant to Documentation</i>	<i>Journal of Library and Information Science</i>	<i>Journal of Library and Information Science</i>	<i>SRELS Journal of Information management</i>
4.	<i>Library Science with a Slant to Documentation</i>	<i>Herald of Library Science</i>	<i>IASLIC Bulletin</i>	<i>IASLIC Bulletin</i>	<i>IASLIC Bulletin</i>
5.	<i>IASLIC Bulletin</i>	<i>ILA Bulletin</i>	<i>SRELS Journal of Information management</i>	<i>Lucknow Librarian</i>	<i>Library Herald</i>

\*Only top five journals are given



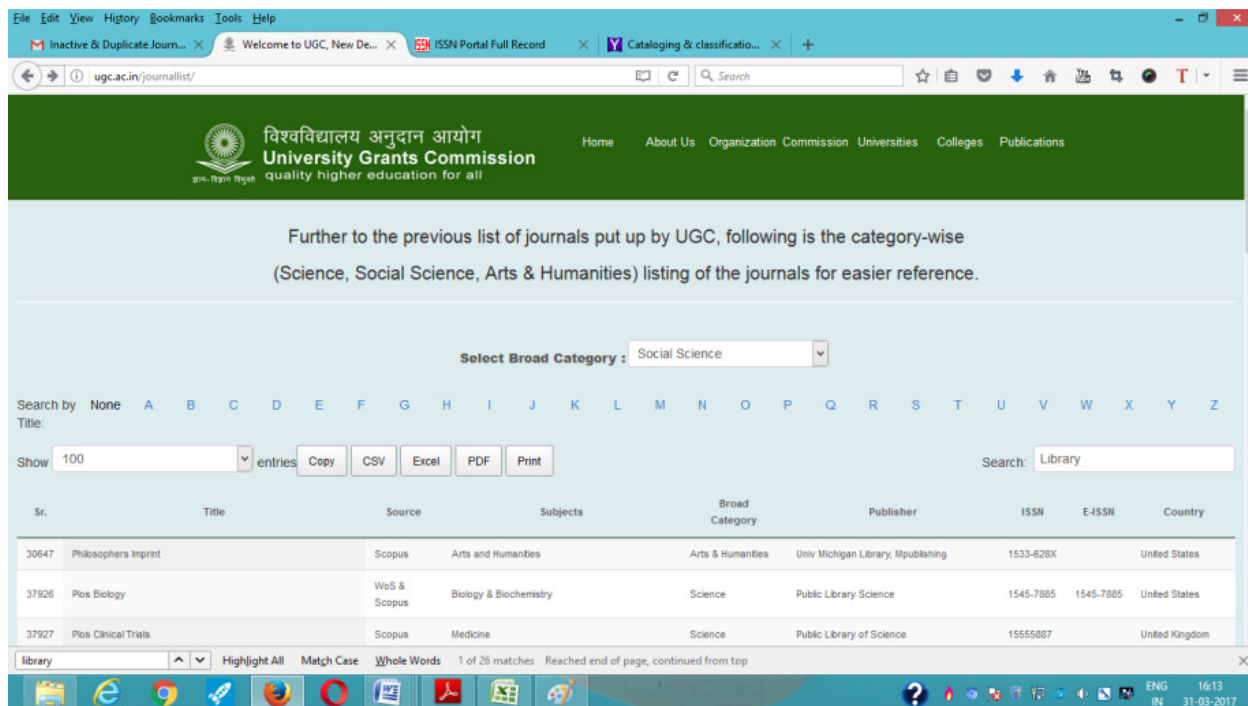


Fig. 1—Screenshot of the category-wise list of journals

- d. The journal '*Cataloguing and Classification Quarterly*' at sr. no. 5165 in the category list has e-ISSN 0898-008X different from e-ISSN 1544-4554 available on the journal website.
- e. *Collnet Journal of Scientometrics and Information Management* at sr. no. 16142 in the category list has only print ISSN while it has both print and e-ISSNs
- Former titles of the journals.
  - Journals that are peer reviewed and having good reputation.
  - Journals of good standing in Indian languages.

#### Concerns for subject experts

Academia has been quick to react about the list on social media platform and listservs. Tapaswi<sup>21</sup> pointed out the limitations in his listserv email on 'How good UGC approved list of journals' is on the next day of the list was published. Similarly, Thomas Manuel<sup>22</sup> highlighted that at least 35 titles of the UGC's list of journals can be classified as 'predatory'.

The UGC has sought lists from universities to be prepared in consultation with the experts for adding new titles to the list. Here role of subject experts is larger. They need to come forward with list of journals. Some considerations may be:

- Indian LIS journals covered in prominent library and information science databases, like LISA, LISTA, Library and Information Science Literature.

#### Conclusion

UGC has taken the right step in bringing out the journal list which is supposedly to be a dynamic list. This step will bring about a positive change in overall academic environment. This would improve Indian research outputs and standing at the international level and importantly keep questionable journals at bay. However, there is a need for subject-wise scrutiny of journals (avoiding duplicate, inactive, unrelated titles, clear-cut subject coverage, with ISSN and other related information). Detailed studies on each subject area can help in curating the UGC list.

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As per 'Active' Status in Scopus Source list of journals  
Duplicate titles and 'Inactive' journals are not incorporated in this list

Sl. no.	UGC List Sr. No.	Name of Journal	ISSN	Source / Database	Subject as per UGC List
1	1382	<i>Advances in Librarianship</i>	2162-7932(Online); 0065-2830(Print)	Scopus	Social Sciences
2	1383	<i>Advances in Library Administration and Organization</i>	1875-7952(Online); 0732-0671(Print)	Scopus	Social Sciences
3	1625	<i>African Journal of Library Archives and Information Science</i>	0795-4778(Print)	WoS & Scopus	Social Sciences, General
4	12	<i>Annals of Library and Information Studies</i>	0975-2404(Online); 0972-5423 (Print)	Scopus & ICI	Computer Science; Social Sciences
5	4091	<i>Aslib Journal of Information Management</i>	2050-3814(Online) 2050-3806(Print)	WoS & Scopus	Social Sciences, General
6	4301; 4302	<i>Australian Academic and Research Libraries</i>	1839-471X(Online) 0004-8623(Print)	WoS & Scopus	Social Sciences, General
7	4424	<i>Australian Library Journal</i>	2201-4276 (Online); 0004-9670 (Print)	WoS & Scopus	Social Sciences, General
8	4654	<i>Behavioral and Social Sciences Librarian</i>	1544-4546(Online) 0163-9269(Print)	Scopus	Social Sciences
9	5807	<i>Bulletin - Association of Canadian Map Libraries and Archives</i>	0840-9331(Print)	Scopus	Earth and Planetary Sciences
10	6342, 6343	<i>Canadian Journal of Information and Library Science</i>	1920-7239(Online) 1195-096X(Print)	WoS & Scopus	Computer Science; Social Sciences; General
11	6660	<i>Cataloging and Classification Quarterly</i>	1544-4554(Online) 0163-9374(Print)	Scopus	Social Sciences
12	7922	<i>Collection Building</i>	2054-5592(Online) 0160-4953(Print)	Scopus	Social Sciences
13	7923	<i>Collection Management</i>	1545-2549(Online) 0146-2679(Print)	Scopus	Business, Management and Accounting; Social Sciences
14	7925 7926	<i>College and Research Libraries</i>	2150-6701(Online) 0010-0870(Print)	WoS & Scopus	Social Sciences; General
15	7927	<i>College and Research Libraries News</i>	2150-6698(Online) 0099-0086(Print)	Scopus	Social Sciences
16	7928	<i>College and Undergraduate Libraries</i>	1545-2530(Online) 1069-1316(Print)	Scopus	Social Sciences
17	7940	<i>Collnet Journal of Scientometrics and Information Management</i>	2168-930X(Online); 0973-7766(Print)	ICI	Library
18	8045	<i>Communications in Information Literacy</i>	1933-5954(Print)	Scopus	Social Sciences
19	8083	<i>Community and Junior College Libraries</i>	1545-2522(Online); 0276-3915(Print)	Scopus	Social Sciences
20	8393	<i>Computers in Libraries</i>	1041-7915(Print)	Scopus	Computer Science; Social Sciences

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21	9577, 9576	<i>DESIDOC Journal of Library &amp; Information Technology</i>	0976-4658(Online); 0974-0643(Print)	Scopus & ICI	Social Sciences; Library
22	9978	<i>D-Lib Magazine</i>	1082-9873 (Online)	Scopus	Social Sciences
23	10468	<i>Education for Information</i>	0167-8329 (Print)	Scopus	Computer Science; Social Sciences
24	10673	<i>Electronic Library</i>	1758-616X(Online); 0264-0473(Print)	WoS & Scopus	Social Sciences; General
25	11959	<i>Evidence Based Library and Information Practice</i>	1715-720X(Print)	Scopus	Social Sciences
26	12382	<i>First Monday</i>	1396-0466(Online)	Scopus	Computer Science; Social Sciences
27	14159	<i>Health information and libraries journal</i>	1471-1834(Print); 1471-1842(Online)	WoS & Scopus	Social Sciences; General
28	14951	<i>IASLIC Bulletin</i>	0018-8441(Print)	ICI	Library
29	15355	<i>IFLA Journal</i>	0340-0352 (Print)	Scopus	Social Sciences
30	15597	<i>Indian Journal of Information, Library &amp; Society</i>	0971-4286(Print)	ICI	Library
31	15859	<i>Information &amp; Culture</i>	2164-8034 (Print); 2166-3033 (Online)	WoS	Social Sciences; General
32	15874	<i>Information Development</i>	0266-6669(Print); 1741-6469 (Online)	WoS & Scopus	Social Sciences; General
33	15880	<i>Information Management</i>	1080-286X (Print)	Scopus	Business, Management and Accounting; Computer Science; Decision Sciences
34	15884; 15883	<i>Information Processing and Management</i>	0306-4573(Print)	Scopus & WoS	Computer Science; Decision Sciences; Engineering; Social Sciences; General
35	15890	<i>Information Research-An International Electronic Journal</i>	1368-1613(Online)	WoS	Social Sciences; General
36	15891	<i>Information Resources Management Journal</i>	1040-1628(Print)	Scopus	Business, Management and Accounting
37	15892; 15893	<i>Information Retrieval (Journal)</i>	1573-7659 (Online); 1386-4564 (Print)	Scopus & WoS	Computer Science; Social Sciences
38	15894	<i>Information Sciences</i>	0020-0255 (Print)	WoS & Scopus	Computer Science
39	15899	<i>Information Services and Use</i>	0167-5265 (Print)	Scopus	Computer Science; Social Sciences
40	15900	<i>Information Society</i>	0197-2243 (Print)	WoS & Scopus	Social Sciences; General
41	15902	<i>Information Studies</i>	0971-6726(Print)	ICI	Library
42	15913	<i>Information Technology and Libraries</i>	0730-9295 (Print)	WoS & Scopus	Social Sciences; General
43	15926	<i>Informing Science</i>	1521-4672 (Online)	Scopus	Social Sciences
44	16088	<i>Intelligent Systems Reference Library</i>	1868-4394(Print)	Scopus	Computer Science; Decision Sciences; Social Sciences
45	16984	<i>International Journal of Information Management</i>	0268-4012 (Print)	WoS & Scopus	Social Sciences; General
46	16988	<i>International Journal of Information Science and Management</i>	2008-8302 (Print)	Scopus	Business, Management and Accounting; Decision Sciences; Social Sciences
47	17055	<i>International Journal of Knowledge Management</i>	1548-0666 (Print)	Scopus	Business, Management and Accounting; Computer Science

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48	17762	<i>International Journal on Digital Libraries</i>	1432-5012 (Print)	Scopus	Social Sciences
49	17778	<i>International Library Movement</i>	0970-0048(Print)	ICI	Library
50	17989	<i>Internet Reference Services Quarterly</i>	1087-5301(Print); 1540-4749(Online)	Scopus	Social Sciences
51	18333	<i>Issues in Science and Technology Librarianship</i>	1092-1206 (Online)	Scopus	Engineering; Social Sciences
52	18937	<i>Journal of Academic Librarianship</i>	0099-1333 (Print)	WoS & Scopus	Social Sciences; General
53	18938	<i>Journal of Access Services</i>	1536-7967(Print); 1536-7975(Online)	Scopus	Social Sciences
54	19494	<i>Journal of Business and Finance Librarianship</i>	0896-3568 (Print)	Scopus	Business, Management and Accounting
55	19694	<i>Journal of Classification</i>	0176-4268(Print); 1432-1343(Online)	WoS & Scopus	Social Sciences; General
56	182	<i>Journal of Digital Information Management</i>	0972-7272 (Print)	Scopus & ICI	Business, Management and Accounting; ComputerScience; Social Sciences
57	20139	<i>Journal of Documentation</i>	0022-0418 (Print)	WoS & Scopus	Social Sciences; General
58	20244	<i>Journal of Educational Media and Library Science</i>	1013-090X(Print)	Scopus	Arts and Humanities; Computer Science; Social Sciences
59	20288	<i>Journal of Electronic Resources in Medical Libraries (iJournal)</i>	1542-4073(Online); 1542-4065(Print)	Scopus	Social Sciences
60	20289	<i>Journal of Electronic Resources Librarianship</i>	1941-1278(Online); 1941-126X(Print)	Scopus	Computer Science; Social Sciences
61	20913	<i>Journal of Hospital Librarianship</i>	1532-3269 (Print)	Scopus	Medicine; Social Sciences
62	21063	<i>Journal of Information and Knowledge Management</i>	0219-6492(Print); 1793-6926(Online)	Scopus	Computer Science; Social Sciences
63	21067	<i>Journal of Information Ethics</i>	1061-9321 (Print)	Scopus	Arts and Humanities; Social Sciences
64	21069	<i>Journal of Information Literacy</i>	1750-5968 (Online)	Scopus	Social Sciences
65	21073	<i>Journal of Information Science</i>	0165-5515 (Print)	WoS & Scopus	Social Sciences; General
66	21074	<i>Journal of Information Science and Engineering</i>	1016-2364 (Print)	WoS & Scopus	Computer Sciences
67	21174	<i>Journal of Interlibrary Loan, Document Delivery &amp; Electronic Reserve</i>	1540-3572(Online); 1072-303X(Print)	Scopus	Social Sciences
68	21282	<i>Journal of Knowledge Management</i>	1367-3270 (Print)	WoS & Scopus	Social Sciences; General
69	21356	<i>Journal of Librarianship &amp; Information Science</i>	1741-6477(Online); 0961-0006(Print)	WoS & Scopus	Social Sciences; General
70	21357	<i>Journal of Library Administration</i>	1540-3564(Online); 0193-0826 (Print)	Scopus	Social Sciences
71	21358	<i>Journal of Library and Information Science</i>	0970-714X (Print)	ICI	Library

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72	21359	<i>Journal of Library and Information Services in Distance Learning</i>	1533-2918(Online); 1533-290X(Print)	Scopus	Social Sciences
73	21360	<i>Journal of Library and Information Technology</i>	0975-6183(Print)	ICI	Library
74	21361	<i>Journal of Library Metadata</i>	1937-5034(Online); 1938-6389(Print)	Scopus	Social Sciences
75	21460	<i>Journal of Map and Geography Libraries</i>	1542-0353 (Print)	Scopus	Social Sciences
76	23105	<i>Journal of the Association for Information Science and Technology</i>	2330-1635 (Print); 2330-1643 (Online)	WoS & Scopus	Social Sciences; General
77	23402;23401	<i>Journal of the Medical Library Association</i>	1558-9439(Online); 1536-5050(Print)	WoS & Scopus	Medicine; Social Sciences; General
78	23815	<i>Journal of Web Librarianship</i>	1932-2917(Online); 1932-2909(Print)	Scopus	Computer Science; Social Sciences
79	24019	<i>Kelpro Bulletin</i>	0975-4911(Print)	ICI	Library
80	24130	<i>Knowledge Organization</i>	0943-7444 (Print)	WoS & Scopus	Social Sciences; General
81	24530	<i>Law Library Journal</i>	0023-9283(Print)	WoS & Scopus	Social Sciences; General
82	24697	<i>LIBER Quarterly</i>	1435-5205 (Print)	Scopus	Social Sciences
83	24701	<i>Library</i>	0024-2160 (Print)	Scopus	Arts and Humanities; Social Sciences
84	24702	<i>Library &amp; Information Science Research</i>	0740-8188(Print)	WoS	Social Sciences; General
85	24706	<i>Library and Information History</i>	1758-3497(Online); 1758-3489(Print)	Scopus	Arts and Humanities
86	24707	<i>Library and Information Science</i>	0373-4447(Print)	WoS & Scopus	Computer Science; Social Sciences; General
87	24702; 24708	<i>Library and Information Science Research</i>	0740-8188 (Print)	WoS & Scopus	Social Sciences; General
88	24709	<i>Library Collections Acquisitions &amp; Technical Services</i>	1873-1821(Online); 1464-9055(Print)	WoS	Social Sciences; General
89	24712	<i>Library Herald</i>	0976-2469(Online); 0024-2292(Print)	ICI	Library
90	24713	<i>Library Hi Tech</i>	2054-166X(Online) ; 0737-8831(Print)	WoS & Scopus	Social Sciences; General
91	24714	<i>Library Hi Tech News</i>	2054-1678(Online) ; 0741-9058(Print)	Scopus	Computer Science; Social Sciences
92	24715	<i>Library Journal</i>	0363-0277(Print)	WoS & Scopus	Social Sciences; General
93	24716	<i>Library Leadership and Management</i>	1945-886X(Online) ; 1945-8851(Print)	Scopus	Business, Management and Accounting; SocialSciences
94	24717	<i>Library Management</i>	0143-5124(Print)	Scopus	Social Sciences
95	24720	<i>Library Philosophy and Practice</i>	1522-0222(Print)	Scopus	Arts and Humanities; Social Sciences
96	24721	<i>Library Progress(International)</i>	0970-317X(Online) ; 0970-1052 (Print)	ICI	Library

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97	24722	<i>Library Quarterly</i>	0024-2519(Print)	WoS & Scopus	Social Sciences; General
98	24723; 24724	<i>Library Resources &amp; Technical Services</i>	2159-9610(Online); 0024-2527(Print)	WoS & Scopus	Computer Science; Social Sciences; General
99	24725	<i>Library Review</i>	1758-793X(Online); 0024-2535(Print)	Scopus	Social Sciences
100	24728	<i>Library Trends</i>	1559-0682(Online); 0024-2594(Print)	WoS & Scopus	Social Sciences; General
101	24729	<i>LIBRES</i>	1058-6768(Print)	Scopus	Social Sciences
102	24730	<i>LIBRI</i>	1865-8423(Online) ; 0024-2667(Print)	WoS & Scopus	Social Sciences; General
103	25083; 25084	<i>Malaysian Journal of Library &amp; Information Science</i>	1394-6234(Print)	WoS & Scopus	Social Sciences; General
104	25630	<i>Medical Reference Services Quarterly</i>	0276-3869 (Print)	Scopus	Medicine; Social Sciences
105	26681	<i>Music Reference Services Quarterly</i>	1058-8167 (Print)	Scopus	Arts and Humanities; Social Sciences
106	27310	<i>New Libaray World</i>	0307-4803(Print)	Scopus	Social Sciences
107	27332	<i>New Review of Academic Librarianship</i>	1740-7834(Online); 1361-4533(Print)	Scopus	Social Sciences
108	28026	<i>OCLC Systems and Services</i>	1065-075X (Print)	Scopus	Computer Science; Social Sciences
109	28713	<i>Pakistan Journal of Library and Information Science</i>	2309-9569(Online); 1680-4465(Print)	Scopus	Social Sciences
110	28949	<i>PEARL:Journal of Library &amp; Information Science</i>	0975-6922(Online) ; 0973-7081(Print)	ICI	Library
111	30037	<i>PORTAL-Libraries and the Academy</i>	1530-7131 (Online)	WoS	Social Sciences; General
112	30545	<i>Program-Electronic Library and Information Systems</i>	0033-0337(Print)	WoS	Social Sciences; General
113	30968	<i>Public Library Quarterly</i>	1541-1540(Online); 0161-6846(Print)	Scopus	Social Sciences
114	31462	<i>Reference and User Services Quarterly</i>	1094-9054 (Print)	Scopus	Computer Science; Social Sciences
115	31463	<i>Reference Librarian</i>	1541-1117(Online); 0276-3877(Print)	Scopus	Social Sciences
116	31464	<i>Reference Services Review</i>	0090-7324 (Print)	Scopus	Social Sciences
117	31886	<i>Restaurator- International Journal for the Preservation of Library and Archival Material</i>	0034-5806(Print)	WoS	Social Sciences; General
118	33400	<i>School Library Media Research</i>	1523-4320(Print)	Scopus	Engineering; Social Sciences
119	33454	<i>Science and Technology Libraries</i>	1541-1109(Online); 0194-262X(Print)	Scopus	Social Sciences
120	33568	<i>Scientometrics</i>	0138-9130 (Print)	WoS & Scopus	Social Sciences; General
121	33804	<i>Serials Librarian</i>	1541-1095(Online); 0361-526X(Print)	Scopus	Social Sciences
122	33805	<i>Serials Review</i>	1879-095X(Online); 0098-7913(Print)	WoS & Scopus	Social Sciences; General

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123	34696	<i>SRELS Journal of Information Management</i>	0976-2477(Online); 0972-2467(Print)	ICI	Library
124	37112	<i>Universal Access in the Information Society</i>	1615-5297(Online); 1615-5289(Print)	WoS & Scopus	Computer Science
125	37693	<i>Webology</i>	1735-188X(Online)	Scopus	Computer Science; Decision Sciences; Social Sciences
126	37998	<i>World Patent Information</i>	0172-2190(Print); 1874-690X(Online)	Scopus	Chemical Engineering; Computer Science; Energy; Social Sciences

**Annexure 2****List of 'Inactive' journals from Scopus Source List**

Sl. no.	UGC List Serial No.	Title	ISSN
1	483	Acquisitions Librarian	0896-3576 (Print); 1544-435X(Online)
2	2491	Analytical Spectroscopy Library	0926-4345
3	2960	Annual Review of Information Science and Technology	0066-4200
4	4573	Balkan Studies Library	1877-6272
5	5048	Biomedical Digital Libraries	1742-5581
6	5348	Bodleian Library Record	0067-9488
7	5595	Brill's Humanities in China Library	1874-8023
8	5596	Brill's Indological Library	0925-2916
9	5597	Brill's Inner Asian Library	1566-7162
10	5609	Brill's Tibetan Studies Library	1568-6183
11	5972	Bulletin of the American Society for Information Science and Technology	1931-6550(Print); 1550-8366 (Online)
12	5979	Bulletin of the Biological Society of Washington	0097-0298
13	6028	Bulletin of the Medical Library Association	0025-7338
14	6077	Bulletin Special Libraries Association, Geography and Map Division	0036-1607
15	8488	Constitutional Law Library	1871-4110
16	14051	Harvard Library Bulletin	0017-8136
17	14160	Health information management : journal of the Health Information Management Association of Australia	1322-4913
18	14165	Health libraries review	0265-6647
19	14229	Healthcare information management : journal of the Healthcare Information and Management Systems Society of the American Hospital Association	1066-906X
20	14567	History of Science and Medicine Library	1872-0684
21	15731	Industrial Chemistry Library	0926-9614
22	15887	Information Professional	1743-694X
23	15901	Information Storage and Retrieval	0020-0271
24	16077	Intellectual Property Law Library	1871-6725
25	16262	International Information and Library Review	1057-2317 (Print); 1095-9297 (Online)
26	16986	International Journal of Information Processing and Management	2093-4009(Print); 2233-940X (Online)



Sl. no.	UGC List Serial No.	Title	ISSN
27	17779	International Library Review	0020-7837
28	18169	IRCS Medical Science. Library Compendium	0268-8220
29	19683	Journal of Chromatography Library	0301-4770
30	20127	Journal of Digital Information	1368-7506
31	20777	Journal of Government Information	1352-0237
32	20841	Journal of healthcare information management : JHIM	1099-811X
33	21222	Journal of Internet Cataloging	1091-1367
34	21355	Journal of librarianship	0022-2232
35	23081	Journal of the American Society for Information Science	0002-8231
36	23082	Journal of the American Society for Information Science and Technology	1532-2882 (Print); 1532-2890 (Online)
37	24617	Legal History Library	1874-7493
38	24699	Libraries & Culture	0894-8631(Online); 1534-7591(Print)
39	24700	Libraries and the Cultural Record	1932-4855
40	24703	Library Acquisitions: Practice and Theory	0364-6408
41	24704	Library Administration and Management	0888-4463
42	24705	Library and Archival Security	0196-0075
43	24710	Library Collections, Acquisition and Technical Services	1464-9055(Print); 1873-1821(Online)
44	24711	Library Computing	1527-1161
45	24718	Library of Economic History	1877-3206
46	24719	Library of the Written Word	1874-4842
47	24726	Library Security Newsletter	0094-0216
48	24727	Library Software Review	0742-5759
49	27625	North-Holland Mathematical Library	0924-6509
50	29266	Pharmacochemistry Library	0165-7208
51	30949	Public and Access Services Quarterly	1056-4942
52	31856	Resource Sharing and Information Networks	0737-7797
53	31857	Resource Sharing and Library Networks	0270-3173
54	34168	Social Science Information Studies	0143-6236
55	37673	Watermark (Archivists and Librarians in the History of the Health Sciences)	1553-7641
56	37674	Watermark (Association of Librarians in the History of the Health Sciences)	-
57	38111	Yale University Library Gazette	0044-0175