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All DCMers - Documentation Centres:

Here finally is the circular for DCMB!

The annual meeting of all Documentalists, where we take time out from our regular work and discuss issues of common concern. Naturally, we also have a great time when we get together.

You must have been wondering why we did not hold DCMB in September. Well, we got a request from Akshara that the dates would be inconvenient as it would coincide with the Beijing conference. The meeting will now be held on the 15th, 16th and 17th of December at Laya in Vishakapatnam. You will need to make your bookings right away.

Agenda:

As decided at the last meeting, the agenda for DCMB is as follows:

Day - 1

Documentation in Regional languages. Kinds and types of information relevant to activists.

- (a) Curriculum.
- (b) Kind of 'packaging' that NGO activists require.
- (c) Raising new issues/theory and perspective.
- (d) Nature of collaboration. Co-operation between city based DCs and local field based Documentation Centres/information works.

Day - 2

Modern technology and documentation :

- (a) India-link/Internet facilities available etc., experience?
- (b) Computer programmes for Indexing and Cataloguing.
- (c) Scanning and full page storage.

Day - 3

DCM Matters: Specific joint projects:

- (a) Journal Indexing
- (b) Directory of Sources and Journal list
- (c) Inter library loans
- (d) Classification for new economic policies and globalisation.
- (e) Any other matter.

As is the usual practice, those of you who want to make presentations should write to the hosts i.e. Walter at Laya. It could be good if you could send the paper in advance.