Web of Science based ranking of Indian library and information science journals

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Although none of the Indian LIS journals are indexed in Web of Science, articles published in Indian journals and, cited by the SCI/SSCI source journals, are available in WoS as cited references. The study through the use of ‘cited reference search’ feature of WoS looks at the citations received by the Indian journals and compares it with the existing rankings of Indian LIS journals done by different authors who have used various methods. Despite the many limitations of the of the ‘cited reference search’ and keeping in view that the Indian LIS journals are not covered in WoS, the findings based on the ‘cited reference search’ still corroborates the existing ranking patterns and shows that Annals of Library and Information Studies, DESIDOC Journal of Library and Information Technology, SRELS Journal of Information Management, IASLIC Bulletin etc., are prominent Indian LIS journals.

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1. Introduction

Library and information science in India has a rich legacy. The year 2011 is the centenary year of LIS education in the country. Education, training and research in library and information science are carried out in over 90