



**Consortium of S&T and R&D Libraries of Pakistan
(CSTRDLP)**

FRAMEWORK

Organized by

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(PASTIC)**



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Islamabad**

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Introduction

Information is rapidly increasing in each and every field in this era as Bernhard Jungwirth¹ said “More new information has been produced in the last 30 years than in the previous 5000 years”. Approximately, over 6026 books are published internationally every day² and volume of all printed knowledge doubles in every eight years³”.

In this scenario single library cannot afford to purchase, hold and preserve every information source that its users might need. As a result of this emerging situation librarians have realized that no single library meet requirement of its users. To overcome this situation, Pakistan Scientific and Technological Information Center (PASTIC) has decided to establish Consortium of S&T and R&D libraries of Pakistan (CSTRDLP).

This consortium will consist of central library of universities, seminar (Departmental) libraries of science faculties, libraries of centers of Excellence and Scientific organization’s libraries.

1. Purpose of the Consortium

Main purpose of this consortium is to find out the easy way of resource sharing for facilitating the librarians & library users to face modern challenges. In this connection following tools and activities will be organized under the umbrella of CSTRDLP.

- (i) To facilitate and strengthen member libraries by providing:
 - Cloud Based Customized Library Automation Software.
With all library modules Cataloguing, OPAC, Circulation Serial Section with email and SMS Facilitation
 - Platform for resource sharing.
 - Capacity Building of librarians.
- (ii) To develop Union Online Public Access Catalogue (Union OPAC) for books and monographs.
- (iii) To develop interlibrary loan policies.
- (iv) To develop proforma for Inter Library Loan(ILL).
- (v) To develop S&T and R&D National Digital Repository.

- (vi) Organizing awareness seminars for library users to promote / utilize the developed information resources.

2. Terminologies of CSTRDLP

- ❖ “Consortium” means

Consortium of Science & Technology and Research & Development Libraries of Pakistan (CSTRDLP);

- ❖ “Committees” means

- (i) Technical Committee (Automation, Digitization)

- a) Federal
- b) Provincial
- c) Divisional

- (ii) Administrative Committee

- a) Federal
- b) Provincial
- c) Divisional

- ❖ “Patron-in-Chief” means

Director General, PASTIC;

- ❖ “Chairman/ Chairperson” means

Senior LIS Professional (in case of Center, Province & Division);

- ❖ “Secretary General” of the Consortium means

Project Director / Senior Librarian of PASTIC National Center.

- ❖ “Provincial Convener / Secretary” of the Consortium means

In-Charge of PASTIC Sub-Center in case of Provincial Committee.

- ❖ “Divisional Convener / Secretary” of the Consortium means

Focal Person nominated by PASTIC in case of Divisional Committee.

3. Meetings of the Consortium

3.1. **Annual Meeting:** Meeting shall be held at PASTIC National Centre in the presence of patron-in-chief to prepare Annual Plan. Sub centers and provincial chairmen / committee members of the consortium may participate through skype or other electronic sources.

3.2 Quarterly Meetings. Meetings shall be held quarterly for monitoring of annual plan in the presence of Project Director and Presence of Patron in chief would be highly obliged. PASTIC sub centers will host these meetings. Provincial Chairmen, Divisional Chairmen and the senior members of consortium committee may participate.

3.3 Special Meetings. Special meetings shall be called:

- (i) By the Patron-in-Chief;
- (ii) On the written request of five or more of the Members of the Consortium.

3.4 Place of Meetings. Quarterly meetings of the Consortium may be held at the Provincial capital or Divisional headquarters of the country.

3.5 Notification of Meeting:

- (i) Annual Meetings of the Consortium shall be convened by written notification from the Project Director / Secretary General of the Consortium on the direction of the Patron-in-Chief. Notifications shall be sent to the members through post, fax and email.
- (ii) Quarterly Meetings of the Consortium shall be convened by written notification from the Representative of PASTIC Sub Centre / Provincial Secretary of the Consortium on the direction of the Patron-in-Chief. Notifications shall be sent to the members through post, fax and email.

4. Representation and Attendance

4.1 Members of the Consortium:

- (i). The members of the Consortium will be considered as official representatives of the organization.
- (ii). Any member may nominate his or her substitute in case of his or her absence.

5. Performance Review by the Consortium

Each committee shall review performance of project activities under its jurisdiction from time to time and will take action duly endorsed by the Patron-in-Chief.

6. Functions & Responsibilities

6.1 Patron-in-Chief of the Consortium

The Patron-in-Chief shall perform the following functions:

- (i) The Patron-in-Chief will provide leadership to the Consortium.
- (ii) The Patron-in-Chief will look after over all activities of the Consortium.
- (iii) The Patron-in-Chief will approve recommendations submitted by the each committee.

6.2 Chairman of each Committee:

The Chair shall perform the following functions:

- (i). The Chair will preside over all meetings at the Provincial and Divisional levels.
- (ii). The Chair will guide members to achieve Consortium objectives.
- (iii). The Chair will submit recommendations to Patron-in-Chief for approval.

6.3 Secretary General of the Consortium

The main responsibilities of the Secretary General of the Consortium include:

- (i) Prepare agenda of the meetings of the Consortium;
- (ii) Maintaining a full set of official documents pertaining to the Consortium, including the official records of meetings of the Consortium;
- (iii) Coordinating, distributing papers and other relevant documentation for meetings of the Consortium;
- (iv) Preparing draft minutes of each meeting of the Consortium within 10 working days of the meeting.
- (v) The summary should be an excerpt of the full minutes (key decisions) will be submitted to Patron-in-Chief for approval.
- (vi) Assisting the Chair and members of consortium in logistical arrangements;
- (vii) Performing such other functions as the Consortium members may request.

6.4 Consortium Members Responsibilities

Each member of the consortium will be responsible to take efforts for creation of knowledge society in Pakistan and working as facilitator of research community by assisting PASTIC in developing and maintaining following resources.

- (i) PASTIC National Digital repository of indigenous literature.
- (ii) Union list of International scientific research databases subscribed by S&T and R&D organizations of Pakistan.

7. Miscellaneous Provisions

7.1 Privacy of Meetings:

Meetings of the Consortium shall be held in open or closed sessions.

7.2 Mode of Travel and Reimbursement of Costs to Members of Consortium.

- (i) Schedule meetings/travelling allowance will be approved from Patron-in-Chief/Project Director prior to the commencement of the meeting.
- (ii) Members after attending consortium activities may submit the travelling bills for reimbursement. Payment will be made to the members after the approval of Patron-in-Chief/ Project Director.

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