

Styles of bibliographical citations: Sri Lanka

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Abstract

This study covers 425 citations appended in 45 articles published in the five issues of the Sri Lanka Library Review from 2005 to 2009 and the methodology is based on the bibliometric techniques of citation analysis. The present study highlights the types of documents cited and identifies core journals.

The paper also covers the analysis of authorship patterns of citations. Subject wise, publisher wise and geographical wise distribution of cited references have also been analyzed. It is found that the solo research in library science is common and the books are most preferred form of citation used by library professionals in Sri Lanka. The top ranking journals are Sri Lanka library Review, College & Research libraries and Journal of Library Management. Results also reveal the geographical distribution of core journals of this literature which are mainly concentrated in the USA and UK.

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