

**TOUR REPORT OF DR. RAMESH C. GAUR, HEAD OF DIVISION, KALA NIDHI, IGNC A TO TAIWAN TO ATTEND THE 21<sup>st</sup> INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON ELECTRONIC THESES AND DISSERTATIONS ETD 2018 AT TAIWAN DURING 26<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2018.**

With the approval of the Competent Authority, IGNC A, I visited Taiwan to attend the 21<sup>st</sup> International Symposium on Electronic Theses and Dissertations ETD 2018 at Taiwan during 26<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> September, 2018. I arrived at Taipei, Taiwan on 24<sup>th</sup> September, 2018. On 25<sup>th</sup> September, 2018, I attended the meeting of Board of Directors of Networked Digital Library of Theses and Dissertations (NDLTD). I am one of the members of the Board and Chair of the Conference Committee, NDLTD. On 26<sup>th</sup> September, 2018, I moderated a technical session of the Symposium. On the same day, I held a meeting with Deputy Director General of Indian Taipei Association, Taipei, Taiwan. During the meeting, various issues concerning joint collaboration between institutions in Taiwan and IGNC A were discussed. On September 27, 2018, I delivered a Keynote Address on the topic "Ethical and Publishing Issues in Electronic Theses and Dissertations at ETD 2018 Symposium. On 28<sup>th</sup> September, 2018, I left for Republic of South Korea.

Outcome :

- (i) As an eminent Library Professional in the country, it was an honour for me to deliver a Keynote Address in the International Symposium. My presentation was well received by the international audience.
- (ii) During my meeting with Dy Director General, ITA and DG, National Central Library of Taiwan, the following issues were explored:-
  - (a) Creation of India Corner at National Central Library of Taiwan.
  - (b) Setting up of Taiwan Resource Centre for Chinese Studies at IGNC A, New Delhi.

(c) Organization of Seminars, Exhibitions, etc., on Rabindra Nath Tagore at Taipei, Taiwan by IGNCA in collaboration with ITA and NCA, Taiwan.

Overall, my participation in the above International Symposium ETD 2018 was very productive and useful, not only for IGNCA but also for me as a Library Professional.

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