

## Content Analysis of PhD thesis in Library and Information Science of Universities in Four Selected States of India

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**Abstract:** The research paper “Content Analysis of PhD thesis in Library and Information Science of Universities in Four Selected States of India– Part 3” is written as a partial completion of the subject “Content Analysis of PhD thesis in Library and Information Science in Indian universities” registered for PhD Degree. In the present research article, a content analysis of PhD theses in library and information science in four selected states of Maharashtra, Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh at state, central, private and deemed university level during the period from January 2001 to December 2022 has been done.

**Key words:** India, Selected States, Library and Information Science, PhD, Thesis, Content Analysis

**Introduction:** The present research article is a content analysis of PhD thesis in Library and Information Science in the states of Maharashtra, Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh. Maharashtra has 11 state universities, 1 private university and 2 deemed universities. There are 4 state level universities and 1 deemed university in the state of Gujarat. There are 3 state universities, 1 central and 2 private university in the state of Madhya Pradesh. Chhattisgarh state has 2 state universities, and 1 central level university. Total 28 universities have been included in the study. A total number of 387 theses were available from January 2001 to December 2022. In this way, the content of 387 theses of 28 universities has been analyzed in the present study.

**Review of Literature:** Review of literature for the present research work was conducted as follows.

1. R. Nanthini, R. R. Varghese, (2018), this researcher presented a research article on “Growth of ETDs in India: An analytical study of top contributing universities of Shodhganga” in e-magazine Library Herald in 2018. In the present research work, a