Editorial

We are pleased to release the second issue of the seventeenth volume of the **International Journal of Information Studies**, featuring the papers listed below.

In the opening paper, "**Agricultural Information Needs of Small Holder Farmers ofKarnataka: A Pilot Study at Ramanagara District**," the authors analysed the agricultural information needs and resources available to farmers intheir crop management. They conducted a survey that revealed farmers mainly needed information on seed selection and treatment, prices, fertilisers, marketing information, crop diseases, and pesticides. It was challenging to apply technology effectively in their agricultural activities.

In the second paper, "**Turning Pages: Understanding User Engagement in Information Needs Expression and Preferences,**" the authorsassessed user engagem   ent in the information access process through a questionnaire. In a selected library environment, they tracked the information access pattern, with particular emphasis on the software used, e-resource access patterns, RFID implementation, and a few additional processes.

In the paper "**Artificial Intelligence Ethics and Best Practices in Libraries: A Narrative Review,**" the authors examine the integration of artificial intelligence (AI) technologies in libraries, focusing on the ethical considerations, challenges, and best practices that shape their implementation and impact. They studied best practices in AI implementation, including user-centric design, data privacy and security measures, andcontinuous monitoring and evaluation. They believed that everyone should prioritise ethical considerations and adopt responsible AIpractices in alignment with the core values of librarianship.

We will bring more research in the next issue

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