

Indian Statistical Institute
Documentation Research and Training Centre

M.S. in Library and Information Science

Mid-Semester Exam (I Semester) (2026-27)

Paper: 01 Foundations of Library and Information Science

Date: 07/09/2026

Max. Marks: 40

Time: 11.30 AM - 01:00 PM

*Answer any **four** of the following. All questions carry equal marks.*

1. Explain with the help of a schematic diagram the relationship between Data, Information, Knowledge & Wisdom. Give an example. (10 marks)
2. Trace the evolution of libraries from the ancient to the medieval period. (10 marks)
3. "Library is a social institution and an agency of life long learning." Discuss. (10 marks)
4. Explain with the help of a diagram the spiral of scientific method and illustrate your answer. (10 marks)
5. Describe the landmark growth of education for librarianship in India. (10 marks)
6. Discuss the interdisciplinary nature of the field of Library and Information Science. (10 marks)
7. Write a brief note on the following concepts: (10 marks)
 - a. Open access
 - b. National Librarian's Day
 - c. User orientation
 - d. John Gutenberg