



# DIGITAL LIBRARIES: SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT IN EDUCATION

## DAY TWO RECAP



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DAY TWO of a symposium. The day after the introductions and the day before the goodbyes. The day new acquaintances become friends and friends exchange and debate ideas.

For the *Digital Libraries: Sustainable Development in Education* International Symposium, day two was a rigorous and continuous day of interaction. One common theme emerged consistently across the many talks and presentations- the libraries of the future. How to make Libraries more attuned to the user? How to curate better and how to include more and more material in regional languages? The research, insight, knowledge, ambition and creativity displayed can only leave one hopeful for the libraries of the future and for the future of our libraries.



### WHAT USERS WANT

The clarion call for Digitisation of available material in India predates NDLI. In the decade that NDLI has emerged as the gatekeeper of the country's digital knowledge, digitisation of print material and curation of digital native material have gathered pace. The next challenge is to provide users with the right content at the right time.

To this end, the speakers of the day came up with insights and solutions. From Book Recommendation Systems that will work on user feedback, Comprehensive Data Curation Workflows, engaging more users through Social Media- to analysing what kind of digital learning content is more popular on NDLI- what users want was a central conversation of the day. Special mention to NDLI Club, our own outreach mechanism that encourages more and more students to interact with the platform.

### LOCAL/GLOBAL

Since its inception, NDLI has aimed to include content in all the regional languages of India. Emerging technologies are providing us with new opportunities to realise our ambition. Inclusion of content in regional languages not only helps preserve our nation's wide and varied cultural heritage, but also helps engage users of regional language users and exposes them to world class material. The efforts of NDLI North Eastern Regional Centre is inspirational in this regard.



## FACETIME

As sessions overlapped into tea time, so did the conversations and exchanges. For some, the interrogations and debates continued outside the auditoriums. For some, it was a chance to meet face-to-face with voices they'd only heard on the phone. The Tea Break became a bridge of connection and camaraderie.



## SOURENDRO AND SOUMYAJIT

As the sun set on a day filled with debates, lectures, and spirited conversations, Sourendro and Soumyajit- the famous pianist and vocalist duo, captivated the audience with a two hour concert that is NDLI's gift to the participants. An evening of not just astonishing musicianship, but also musical knowledge, delivered with grace and humour.

## DAY THREE SCHEDULE

9:30 AM - 11:00 AM - Technical Session

11:00 AM - 11:30 AM - Tea

11:30 AM - 12:30 PM - Panel Discussion - Future Roadmap of NDLI

12:30 PM - 1:30 PM - Valedictory and Certificate Distribution

1:30 PM - 2:30 PM - Lunch

