# ROYAL UNIVERSITY OF BHUTAN POSITION PROFILE

## 1. JOB IDENTIFICATION

1.1 Position Title: Asst/Librarian

1.2 Position Level: 8/7

1.3 Occupational Group: Administrative & Technical Staff

1.4 College/OVC: College of Natural Resources

# 2. MAIN PURPOSE OF THE POSITION:

The Assistant/Librarian is responsible for managing and maintaining the college library resources, supporting teaching and learning activities, and providing access to information and research materials for students, faculty, and staff.

#### GENERAL ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- 1. Manage day-to-day library operations, including cataloguing, circulation, and reference services.
- 2. Maintain accurate and up-to-date library databases and inventory records.
- 3. Assist users in locating and accessing library resources, both physical and digital.
- 4. Support faculty and students in research by providing relevant materials and guidance.
- 5. Develop and implement library policies, procedures, and systems for efficient service delivery.
- 6. Coordinate with academic departments to procure and update reading materials and journals.
- 7. Ensure proper maintenance and organization of books, journals, and other learning resources.
- 8. Facilitate access to online journals, databases, and e-resources.
- 9. Conduct orientation or information literacy sessions for new students and staff.
- 10. Prepare regular reports on library usage, acquisitions, and other related activities

# Specific Roles and Responsibilities of a Librarian

# 1. Library Management and Administration

- Oversee the daily operations of the library to ensure smooth and efficient services.
- Develop and implement library policies, rules, and procedures in line with institutional guidelines.
- Maintain an organized and accessible collection of books, journals, and other learning materials.
- Supervise and guide library assistants or student helpers.
- Maintain cleanliness, security, and conducive learning environment within the library premises.

# 2. Acquisition and Cataloguing

- Identify, select, and recommend books, journals, and digital resources in consultation with academic departments.
- Manage procurement, accessioning, and cataloguing of new library materials.
- Maintain up-to-date records of acquisitions, withdrawals, and inventory.
- Ensure proper classification and shelving of all resources according to library standards.

#### 3. Circulation and User Services

- Manage borrowing, renewal, and return of books and materials.
- Provide reference and information services to faculty, students, and staff.
- Assist users in locating and using library resources effectively.
- Maintain borrower records and manage overdue or lost items as per policy.

# 4. Information and Digital Resource Management

- Manage electronic resources, including e-books, e-journals, and online databases.
- Support users in accessing digital resources and online research tools.
- Update and maintain the library's digital catalog or Integrated Library Management System (ILMS).
- Promote the use of open educational resources (OER) and digital repositories.

# 5. Information Literacy and User Education

- Conduct orientation and training programs for students and staff on library usage and information literacy.
- Support research and academic writing by guiding users in citation, referencing, and avoiding plagiarism.
- Collaborate with academic staff to integrate information literacy into the curriculum.

# 6. Reporting and Record Keeping

- Prepare periodic reports on library usage, resource status, and activities.
- Maintain statistical data on circulation, membership, and acquisitions for planning and budgeting.
- Ensure timely submission of reports to the management or Academic Affairs Office.

# 7. Professional Development and Collaboration

• Keep abreast of emerging trends and technologies in library and information science.

- Participate in professional networks, workshops, and training programs to enhance library services.
- Collaborate with other college libraries under RUB to share resources and best practices.

**5.1 Education:** Bachelors/B.Sc Library Science/ BSS in Information Studies and Library Management

**5.2 `Experience:** *Nil (recommended but not a prerequisite)* 

# 5.3 Knowledge Skills and Abilities:

## **Knowledge Requirements:**

- Sound knowledge of library science principles, practices, and procedures.
- Understanding of cataloguing systems (
- Familiarity with library management software and digital information systems.( KOHA)
- Awareness of current trends and technologies in information management and digital libraries.
- Knowledge of research methods and academic referencing styles.
- Basic understanding of copyright, intellectual property, and data protection regulations.

#### **Skills:**

- Strong organizational and record-keeping skills.
- Proficiency in using computers, digital databases, and online research tools.
- Effective communication and interpersonal skills for dealing with students, faculty, and staff
- Analytical and problem-solving skills in handling information requests and technical issues.
- Ability to plan, prioritize, and manage multiple tasks efficiently.
- Customer service skills to support and guide library users

## **Abilities:**

- Ability to manage and maintain both physical and digital library resources.
- Ability to train and assist users in accessing library materials and e-resources.
- Ability to work independently and as part of a team.
- Ability to adapt to technological changes and new systems.
- Ability to maintain confidentiality and uphold institutional policies.
- Ability to foster a positive learning environment and promote information literacy.