

## ***Annexure I***

### **Author Guidelines for Submission of Extended Abstracts to NATLIB SYMPO 2021**

Kindly follow the submission specifications and instructions for preparing your extended abstract and full paper for the conference.

#### **MEDIUM**

The language of the conference will be Sinhala, English or Tamil. It should be an original submission not presented or published elsewhere.

#### **FORMAT**

The extended abstract should be written in MS Word using single-spaced 12 point, Times New Roman font. Use A4 page set-up and make all margins (top, bottom, left, right) 25 mm wide. The main title should begin from the top edge of the page, centered and in Times New Roman 12-point, Bold and capitalized. Sub headings (12 point) should be bold. Justify the body of the text both left and right. Length of the Extended Abstract should be between 1000-1500 words excluding references.

#### **CONTENT**

The introduction should present a brief background of the study, research problem and the objectives. The methodology should be in sufficient to understand the research design. You may include supporting figures, tables and images as necessary (Max 2 figures/photographs can be placed). Results should be combined with the discussion and be limited to discussing the main conclusions of the study. References should be listed in alphabetical order in a separate page in APA format.

# Guidelines and Template for Extended Abstracts

## National Library Research Symposium 2021

Title of the Paper

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Affiliation should be including authors' department, institution/organization and email. Also corresponding author's name should be underlined.

**Extended Abstract** - An extended abstract should contain references, comparisons to related work, key theories, and other details found in an extended paper. Thus, an extended abstract is more than a long abstract. It should clearly specify theoretical and empirical gaps that the researcher is addressing, a concise review of seminal work, a brief description of the methodology used, results obtained, the expected contributions(s) to theory and practice, and the conclusion resulting from the study.

The body of the extended abstract should be organized into sections;

- \* Introduction
- \* Methodology/Experimental Design
- \* Results and Discussion
- \* Conclusion
- \* References

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Figures and images should be numbered and figure legends should be placed under the figure or image; as for the tables, they should also be numbered and the table header should be placed at the top. If the data were extracted from other sources please denote the source courtesy immediately below the table.

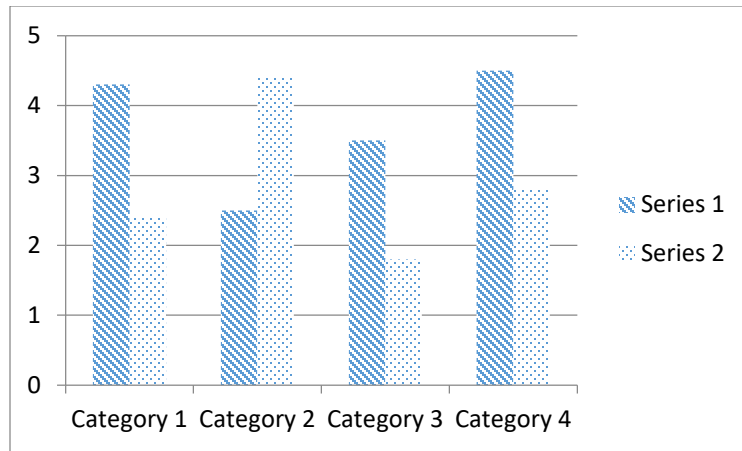


Figure 2 : Preferences of students on different modes of obtaining reading materials  
Source : Ministry of Education

Table 1 : Preferences of students on different modes of obtaining reading materials

Decision	Agree	Disagree

Source : Ministry of Education

The page limit is two or four (excluding the page with the abstract above and references) in Times New Roman font, 12pt and single spaced.

## References

References should be cited within your extended abstract using APA (American Psychological Association) style. Examples of reference formats are given here. For additional information on formatting references, refer the sixth edition of the publication manual of the American Psychological Association.

## REFERENCES

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