Gujarat Arts & Science College Sydenham Library Annual Report – 2019-20

1. About Sydenham Library:

Library plays a vital role in the collection development and dissemination of scientific information. Dwelling on new digital initiatives the Sydenham Library caters to the academic interests of the student and faculty community at the Gujarat Arts and Science College. The library claims to possess the richest collection of the world's best publication of academic importance comprising a treasure of more than 30,000 rare books. We are constantly in a process of increasing our collection of books further. Sydenham Library provides extensive access to leading Indian and international research journals in electronic as well as printed formats. Library has provided E-Resources through NLIST, INFLIBNET Centre. The library is fully automated with SOUL software. The software facilitates issue -return of books, a web-based catalogue to access the books (OPAC) and reservation of books. The web-based inquiry module of software has been installed so the resource collection can be viewed from outside the campus.

2. Resources

Books: 86258 Gratis Books: 1548 Periodicals: 34 Online Journals: 6000 + (N-LIST) E-Books: 3135809 + (N-LIST) Bound Volume: 450 Electronic Media: 20 Audio Books: 282 Newspapers: 06

3. Collection Development and Management:

The books are procured through recommendation by faculty members, and students that are to be approved by HOD and then by Principal. The procured books are accessed using SOUL software. The books are classified, catalogued and shelved (arranged subject wise according to DDC (Dewey Decimal Classification) and alphabetical order is

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Principal Gujarat Arts & Science College Ahmedabad followed. Shelf guides are provided for easy identification of the books from racks. The damaged books due to wear and tear usage are sent for binding as per the requirement. Further, more damaged books can be written-off following the Weed-out Policy of Government of Gujarat.

	Total No.	Total Expenditure		
Books	288	99443		
Gratis Books	570			
Audio Books	82	2250		
Periodicals	34	19933		
N-LIST(E- Journals)	6000+	5900		

Books and Periodicals Added – with Expenditure (2019-20)

5. Library Services:

Library is currently providing the below mentioned services:

- Document Circulation Service
- Reference Service
- Inter Library Loan Service
- Current Awareness Service
- Computerized Information Search Service
- News Paper Clipping Service
- Document Delivery Service
- Bulletin Board Service
- Reading Service
- Photocopy Service
- Referral Service
- User Orientation and Education
- Remote Login Facility through iproxy
- Ask Librarian
- Braille Corner
- Competitive Exam Corner
- Best Library User Award: The Best library user award is started for encouraging student for maximum library usage by awarding arts and science students. In the year 2019-20 at annual price distribution day the following students were awarded with certificate and trophy on 4th March 2020.

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6. Library Orientation :

Orientation towards Library was conducted for newly admitted students on 11th July, 2019 for B.A. at main building and 16th July, 2019 at physics theater for B.Sc at Gujarat arts and science college. Also conducted Library Orientation for M.A. and M.Sc. students on 01st July 2019 to 05th July 2019 to make them Introduce with Library Resources, Services, Activities & Basic Library & search Skill. It helps them to familiarize with the Library and make their stay more Comfortable, Enjoyable and Informative within the premises.



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7. Usage Statistics

The below mentioned are the User (foot print), Issue (Circulation) statistics of 2019-20.

Month	USER STATISTICS		ISSUE STATISTICS			
	Total Users	Working Day	Daily Users	Total Issue/Return	Working Day	Daily Issue/Return
Apr-19	210	22	10	455	22	21
May-19	58	26	2	495	26	19
Jun-19	1116	24	47	1076	24	45
Jul-19	3390	27	126	2007	27	74
Aug-19	3840	23	167	2238	23	97
Sep-19	3858	23	168	1784	23	78
Oct-19	842	21	40	1450	21	69
Nov-19	946	22	43	1586	22	72
Dec-19	1710	25	68	1949	25	78
Jan-20	3030	25	121	2076	25	83
Feb-20	3007	23	131	1693	23	74
Mar-20	1230	17	72	1237	17	73
Total	23237	278	994	18046	278	782
Average	1936	23	83	1504	23	65

8. Stock Verification

Physical verification of the departmental Libraries of all arts departments was verified by the Library staff members from 12/03/2020 to 20/03/2020 for the year 2019-20. It is verified that all departmental library books are present.

9. Other Activities (Extension Activities)

Apart from the above mentioned activities, Sydenham Library had conducted following extension actives for the users.

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Celebration of Munshi Premchand's Birth Anniversary on 31st July 2019

On the occasion of Munshi Premchand's birth anniversary celebrations. Exhibition of various books on Premchand and poster presention organized in the library on 31st July 2019 (Wednesday) by the joint venture of Hindi Department and Sydenham Library. In this regard, a competition for translation of Premchand's stories (from Hindi to Gujarati) also organized.

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Workshop on N-LIST on 14th August 2019.

Sydenham Library, Gujarat Arts & Science College was organized one day workshop on "N-LIST Awareness Programme for M.Sc, students in four groups. The workshop was attended by more than 40 students. The workshop was aimed at imparting training to the students for optimum utilization of electronic resources.



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Book Display and quiz competition on Mahatma Ghandhi on 1st October 2019.

On the occasion of 150 birth anniversary of "Mahatma Gandhi" Gujarat Arts & Science College, Sydenham Library arranged Book display and quiz competition on Mahatma Ghandhi.



Book Display on Constitution Day (26th November 2019)

On the occasion of "Constitution Day" Gujarat Arts & Science College, Sydenham Library arranged Book display and on Indian Constitution.



Celebration of Matrabhasha Diwas (Mother Tongue Day) on 20th February 2020.

Sydenham Library, Gujarat Arts & Science College was celebrated Matrabhasha Diwas (Mother Tongue Day). On this occasion library arranged Books display, Screening of Short Film on Matrubhasaha and Discussion/Lecture.In which a total of 350 people participated.

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* Celebration of 157th Birth anniversary of Swami Vivekananda on 11th January 2020.

Swami Vivekananda's life based quiz competition and book exhibition was organized by Gujarat Arts and Science College's Sydenham Library on 11-01-2020 as part of the celebration of the 157th birth anniversary of world great Swami Vivekananda. A total number of 247 students, professors as well as the entire staff enthusiastically participated in the book exhibition. Total 55 students participated in the quiz competition in which B.Sc. Sem-4 student Parmar Suneet Kumar V., Roll No. 320, got first place and Bakotia Kinjalben S., B.Sc. Sem.-2 student got second place.



On-line Learning Recourses

A list of Open Access resources has been placed on the website of the college library (<u>http://www.gasclibrary.in/open-access/</u>)so that students and professors can make maximum use of Open-access (OA) literature is free, digital, Recourses during the Covid-19 lockdown period.

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