

Institutional Distinctiveness

Inculcating the habit of referring to e-journals and other e-resources at UG Level

Developing the habit of referring to e-journals and other e-resources at UG level is our institutional distinctiveness. “Reading maketh a Full Man” is a powerful saying by Sir Francis Bacon, a popular English writer. No one can deny the fact that reading expands the horizon of our knowledge and understanding. The well-equipped library of C. Kandaswami Naidu College for Women has shared the pride of escalating our students to the great heights of knowledge for the past 50 years. In tune with the modern world with technically advanced changes and electronic platforms, our library is also digitally enriched. The multifaceted effects of the digitally advanced technology are made accessible to our ambitious students. Particularly during this academic year 2017-18, in accordance with Ministry of Human Resource Development and UGC many advanced facilities like e-journals, e-books, and other e-resources have been made possible to our students for their innumerable benefits.

In the beginning of the academic year we created awareness on online resources through orientation programs and hands on training to registration, how to search and access the resources for our UG and PG students. The following are the e-resources made available for our students in the library.

1. NLIST (National Library and Information Services Infrastructure for Scholarly Content)

Our college library subscribed the NLIST which is an Initiative of Ministry of Education. It is a component of eShodhSindhu consortium which provides access to 6000+ journals, 1,99,500+ ebooks through N-LIST and 6,00,000 ebooks through NDL. In Our College the access is available to our students through login id assigned to individual users of colleges enabling the students anytime anywhere access.

2. e-ShodhSindhu

e-Shodhsindhu is enthusiastically referred to by the students who are interested in research activities. e-shodhsindhu which is formed based on the recommendation of an Expert Committee, the Ministry of HRD has merged three consortia initiatives, namely UGC-INFONET Digital Library Consortium,

NLIST and INDEST-AICTE Consortium. The e-ShodhSindhu will continue to provide current as well as archival access to more than 10,000 core and peer-reviewed journals and a number of bibliographic, citation and factual databases in different disciplines from a large number of publishers and aggregators to its member institutions including centrally-funded technical institutions, universities and colleges that are covered under 12(B) and 2(f) Sections of the UGC Act is accessed by our students through the NLIST portal. The students of our college make use of the materials available in e-Shodhsindhu.

3. e-PGPathshala

e-PGPathshala which is an initiative of the MHRD and UGC which is widely used by our students. The content and its quality being the key component of education system, high quality, curriculum-based, interactive e-content in 70 subjects across all disciplines of social sciences, arts, fine arts and humanities, natural & mathematical sciences, linguistics and languages have been developed by the subject experts working in Indian universities and other R & D institutes across the country. Every subject had a team of principal investigator, paper coordinators, content writers, content reviewers, Language editors and multimedia team. e-PGPathshala is very useful for our PG students to download their syllabus related books.

National digital Library

The students of our institution has access to National Digital Library of India (NDLI), the virtual repository of learning resources which is not just a repository with search/browse facilities but also provides a host of services for the learner community. It is sponsored and mentored by Ministry of Education, Government of India, through its National Mission on Education through Information and Communication Technology (NMEICT). Filtered and federated searching is employed to facilitate focused searching so that learners can find the right resource with least effort and in minimum time. NDLI provides user group-specific services such as Examination Preparatory for our students who are job aspirants. Our students including differently abled learners used the NDLI effectively. It is designed to enable people to learn and prepare from best practices from all over the world. Our students have registered their name in NDLI and access all the e-resources especially our visually impaired students access the audio materials.

This availability of using different e-resources of knowledge boosts up the individual morale and intellect of our students in fulfilling their accomplishments to soar up in the world of letters. Currently our students spent

valuable hours referring to these e-resources. It proves that this definitely play the key role in formulating today's students to full- fledged scholars of tomorrow. The institutional distinctiveness of inculcating the habit of referring to the above mentioned e-resources will definitely help our students when they for pursue their higher study.