CENTRAL SCIENCE LIBRARY

Delhi University Library System
University of Delhi
Delhi-110007

STATUS REPORT
2014-15

1. **Library Membership:** Library Membership has reach to the level of 3,237 during the year 2014-15. It includes retired faculty members and visitors from abroad.

2. **Issue-Return Facility to all:** The library provided Centralized issue-return facility to clientele of all faculties and Research scholars of viz. Science, Social Science, Humanities etc of the university on the basis of transfer of two library tickets from parent library.

3. **Books Circulation:** The book circulation has been approximately 2,15,000 during the year 2014-15.

4. **Level of Users Satisfaction:** The level of users satisfaction became better in 2014-15 due to user oriented collection, good IT Infrastructure, regular conduct of orientation programmes and a dedicated team of permanent and contractual employees.

5. **Number of Print Periodicals:** The number of print periodicals decline from 304 to 235. This is made possible by deleting those *journals available online* in various databases. *The saving made was utilized to subscribe society journals* namely American Science Publishers, American Society of Agronomy, Crop Science, Ecological Society of America, Endocrine Society, etc. A good number of journals in discipline like Nanotechnology, Nanomaterials, Nuclear Science have been subscribed to meet the needs of new M.Tech. courses.

6. **Regular evaluation of e-Resources:** CSL through user statistics regularly evaluate e-journals, subscriptions. During 2014-15 few resources namely IOS Press, Bentham Science, World Scientific few journals were discontinued.

7. **E-mails and Information Literacy Programmes:** Information Literacy programme were conducted within the library and in the departments, Conference Centre to facilitate extensive use of e-resources subscribed by the University and were sent e-mails to all stating faculty members the availability of e-resources. The author workshop and staff training programme were also conducted during the year.

8. **Excellent setup of IT Infrastructure:** The CSL has an excellent set up of Computer hardware, Electronic Facilities, E-resources both subscribed and on public domain/Open Access. A screen shot of CSL Website and details of Electronic facilities available are given herewith:

Electronic facilities available
- ✓ Internet Access Facility.
- ✓ Subscriptions to electronic resources.
- ✓ Downloading of articles etc.
- ✓ Live online demonstration to the users.
- ✓ Sending attachments of e-articles etc.
- ✓ Article alert and retrieval of Information on the basis of search techniques.
- ✓ E-mail alert to faculty members etc. on new information.

9. **Computerization of Library Records:** Library has been able to computerized all books available. The bar-coding of remaining books are in progress.

10. **Limitations and areas where immediate attention is required:** CSL has submitted a note to the University Librarian on the following issues for which a meeting was held with all respective Incharge of the libraries but so far issues are lying under observation:

   - ➢ Updating Software Package.
   - ➢ Central depositary/ additional space for the Science and other Libraries to create more infrastructures.
   - ➢ Usage statistics of e-resources subscribed by the DULS should be monitored by the DUCC.
   - ➢ Filling up vacant posts.
   - ➢ Need for Additional Staff Strength in CSL.
   - ➢ Review of Staff Strength among libraries of DULS as there is discrepancy in sanction strength of various libraries.
   - ➢ Fire Safety Measures.
   - ➢ Insurance of library materials etc.
   - ➢ Measuring load capacity of the library by the structural engineer as the top floors are occupying lot of bound journals and books due to extreme shortage of space.

Comparative statement of the library activities

From 2010-11 to 2014-15

Activity	**2010-2011**	**2011-2012**	**2012-2013**	**2013-2014**	**2014-15**
Library Membership	2847	2966	3031	3281	3237
Books Circulation	2,15,569	2,03,709	2,45,000	2,55,000	2,15,000
Readers Visited	2,78,175	2,83,325	2,80,000	2,90,000	1,80,000
Books Acquired	2818	4187	2,214	1,985	2,390
Amount spent on books	51,91,141	65,27,048	41,11,392	55,23,440	74,67,371
Average cost of books	1842	1559	1857	2783	3,124
Periodicals subscribed	387	370	333	304	235
Amount spent on Periodicals	2,12,27,555	2,03,82,988	2,49,32,616	3,97,19,875	3,47,68,660
E-Journals Subscribed	27,000	27,115	27,115	26,905	26,795

E-Journals which approximately are 35,000 in all disciplines are accessible through DUCC network in all department, libraries and colleges.

The library has received *XII plan grant* for electronic surveillance of documents and CCTV installations.

The CSL was benefited by receiving Sci-Finder Scholar subscription costing to Rs.52 Lakh from UGC-INFONET.

The CSL is under renovation programme, trying to give a better look by keeping library more clean, having proper signage systems, accessibility for challenged people, installation of CCTV, firefighting equipments, construction of another emergency exit gate, repair of workable furniture, disposal of obsolete items, having more equipped IT Infrastructure and library digitization and automation services.

CSL prime need is additional storage space, which may be provided.

A complete range of services and all relevant details can be seen and access through **CSL website http://csl.du.ac.in** **.**

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