

ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE LIBRARY:

A PROFILE: July 2022 –June 2023

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THE COLLEGE LIBRARY

The St. Joseph' College Library or SJC Library was established just after the establishment of college in 1927. After the classrooms, library is nerve center of the college. It has now been named as **Fr. John Whelan Library**, after him. We try to mentor library users on proper use of the library in acquiring exact knowledge and requisite information on becoming a good citizen of our country.



SJC Library: Reading Hall

LOCATION, SPACE AND ACCOMMODATION

The library is situated at first floor of Stanford Building. It has 4675 Sq. Ft. floor space and can accommodate 90 users. It also has carrel for the staff members.

LIBRARY STAFF

1. Dr. Debasish Pradhan (Librarian)
2. Mrs. Melissa Kagali Assumi (Library Staff)
3. Mr. Amrit Gurung (Library Assistant)
4. Mr. Rajesh Gurung (Library Assistant)

LIBRARY COMMITTEE

The Library Committee (2022-23) is composed of:

Fr. Dr. Donatus Kujur, S.J.	Principal and President
Dr. Debasish Pradhan	Librarian and Coordinator
Dr. Upakar Rai	Member
Ms. Sharon Gyamtsho	Member
Dr. Panchali Sengupta	Member
Ms. Sumanta Pariyar	Member
Dr. Yogesh Pantha	Member
Dr. Samir Sharma	Member
Mr. Bishal Rai	Member

Dates of Library Committee meetings (2022-23): 16.05.2023 and 19.05.23

LIBRARIAN'S PARTICIPATION IN SEMINARS/ WEBINARS: 2021-22

Sl. No.	Title of Seminar/ Webinar/ Conference/ Workshop	Sponsoring Agency / Institute	Organized by /Place and Date	Intl./ Nat./ State/ Regional/Virtual
1.	Conference on "Copyrights for Librarians"	West Bengal College Librarians' Association (WBCLA), Kolkata-700074, at their XXXIII AGM	Organized by the WBCLA at Vidyasagar Metropolitan College, Kolkata-700006, on 18th September, 2022.	State level

BOOKS IN LIBRARY: as on 31.03.2023

S. N.	Subjects	No. of Books
1.	Bengali	759
2.	Botany	2212
3.	Chemistry	2684
4.	Commerce	1975
5.	Computer Science and Application	1060
6.	Economics	3341
7.	Education	238
8.	English Language and Literature	4835
9.	Environmental Science	215

10.	General Knowledge, etc.	1111
11.	Geography	1307
12.	Hindi	2312
13.	History	4268
14.	Misc. Languages	305
15.	Library Science	66
16.	Mass Communication	11
17.	Mathematics	2403
18.	Medicine	95
19.	Microbiology	251
20.	Nepali Language and Literature	4537
21.	Performing Arts	310
22.	Philosophy	475
23.	Physics	2720
24.	Political Science	2156
25.	Reference	1110
26.	Religion	950
27.	Sociology	1661
28.	Zoology	2333
29.	Others	6201
30.	Weeded, lost, etc.	2461
■	Books, as per Accession Register,	54362

JOURNALS RECEIVED IN LIBRARY

S.N.	NAME OF JOURNALS	FREQUENCY
1.	Aalochana	Quarterly
2.	Al-Shodhana	Bi-annual
3.	Competition Success Review	Monthly
4.	Current Science	Twice every month
5.	Digit	Monthly
6.	Down to Earth	Twice every month
7.	Economic and Political Weekly	Every Saturday
8.	Finance India	Quarterly
9.	Hans (Hindi)	Monthly
10.	Health Action	Monthly
11.	Indian Currents	Weekly
12.	Indian Journal of Labour Economics	Quarterly
13.	Indian Journal of Mathematical Science	Quarterly
14.	Indian literature	Bi-monthly
15.	Journal of Indian School of Political Economy	Quarterly
16.	Journal of the School of Language	Bi-annual
17.	Literary Criterion	Quarterly

18.	Quarterly Review of Historical Studies	Quarterly
19.	Quest	Bi-annual
20.	Resonance : journal of science education	Monthly
21.	Salesian Jr. of humanities and social sc.	Bi-annual
22.	South Asian journal of socio-political studies	Bi-annual
23.	University news	Every Monday
24.	Vikasini: the jour. of women's empowerment	Quarterly

MEMBER-SHIP AND SUBSCRIPTION OF E-RESOURCES

Details of member-ships	Details of subscriptions	Name of service subscribed to	No. of e-resources with full text	Validity period	Report from service provider	Remote access
Institutional	Annual	N-LIST	No. of e-journals: 6,150 + and e-books 31,64,000+	One year	None	Yes
Membership is not required	Subscription is not required (through N-LIST)	e-ShodhSindhu (freely available through N-LIST)	As contributes to N-LIST Services	As per N-LIST, year-wise	None	Yes
(Only universities can join through MoU)	Not required for colleges	Shodhganga (freely available)	359000+ full-text thesis and 8600+ synopses	Always	None	Yes

LINK FOR E-RESOURCES PROVIDED BY N-LIST:

nlist.inflibnet.ac.in ► MEMBER'S LOGIN	
Username: xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx	Password: xxxxxx

UPGRADATION OF LIBRARY AUTOMATION THROUGH KOHA

The library services were earlier automated through SOUL 2.0 Software, and without satisfaction. Therefore, since 26.06.2023, library services have been newly automated through KOHA software, keeping its server operating in a cloud computing environment. Now our library catalogue can be accessed remotely by unlimited users round the clock. Other automated library services are to be started, in compliance with KOHA.

BEST PRACTICES IN LIBRARY

- Lending facility to students and staff members;
- Reference and referral service;
- Reading Room service;
- Current Awareness Service;
- Carrier guidance;
- User Education, Library Orientation;
- Automated library service;
- Remote access of catalogue round the clock
- Access to Internet for e-resources;
- Provision of links for e-resources;

- Access to online e-journals under N-LIST;
- Reprographic service and printing facility (selective);
- Open access for books;
- Open access for journals;
- Guidance in project works of students and outside users;
- Guidance in research works of teachers and outside users; and
- Fully sanitized library environment.

GUIDANCE TO ONLINE RESOURCES

These initiatives effectively cover educational requirements of learners ranging from school to post-graduate level. These may be mentioned as the followings, including the N-LIST service subscribed by us:

Contents	Level of education	Websites
Learning resources	College and University	swayam.gov.in
Educational videos	School, College, University	swayamprabha.gov.in
E-contents	School, College, University	ndl.iitkgp.ac.in
Lab work, Practical	College	e-yantra.org
Lab work, Practical	School, College, University	vlab.co.in
Digital repository	College and University	egyankosh.ac.in
AV through TV	College and University	ignouonline.ac.in/gyandarshan
Study materials	College and University	ignouonline.ac.in/Gyandhara
E-books	College and University	epgp.inflibnet.ac.in
E-journals, E-books	College and University	ess.inflibnet.ac.in
Theses	University	shodhganga.inflibnet.ac.in
Research database	University	vidwan.inflibnet.ac.in
Learning needs	All levels & life long learners	sakshat.ac.in
E-journals, E-books	College and University	nlist.inflibnet.ac.in

ONLINE OPEN ACCESS RESOURCES

Type of Resource	Websites
Directory of Open Access Journals	doaj.org
Directory of Open Access Books	doabooks.org
Open Access Thesis and Dissertations	oatd.org
Open Knowledge Repository-World Bank	openknowledge.worldbank.org
ScienceDirect Open Access Content	sciencedirect.com/#open-access
Oxford Open Access Resources	academic.oup.com/journals/pages/open_access
Springer Open Journals	springeropen.com/journals
Taylor & Francis Open Access	tandfonline.com/openaccess/openjournals

CONCLUSION

Libraries provide physical access (for hard copies) or digital access (for soft copies) as per the requirement of study materials. These may be a physical location or a virtual space, or both, whereas a library's collection normally includes printed materials which can be borrowed. There may also be reference section containing publications which are not permitted to borrow, but can be viewed inside the premises. With such many philosophies, our college library caters its services. Now KOHA has been a boost in our library automation procedure and continues to evolve and expand to meet the user needs.