

# Annual Report of the Barr. Balasaheb Khardekar Knowledge Resource Centre for 2023-24

## 10.1 GENERAL:

Allocation of funds for procurement of books and journals was as below during the year under report.

### (A) UNIVERSITY FUNDS:

A provision of Rs. 2,85,00,000/- from University Funds had been made for purchase of books and journals during the year 2023-24. Out of this fund, an amount of Rs. 2,65,00,000/- for purchase of periodicals, e-resources and databases and Rs. 20,00,000/- for purchase of books and e-books was available. From this fund, Rs.2,43,64,159.82 spent for procurement of periodicals (print and online), Databases and Rs.19,05,016/- utilized for purchase of books and e-books.

## 10.2 LIBRARY COLLECTION:

(A) The library collection as on 31/03/2024 is as follows:

Books	E-Books	Bound Journals	Manuscripts	Theses/ Dissertations	Reports	Braille Books	Total
282510	1249	38989	9163	12389	7090	590	351980

### (B) ADDITIONS DURING THE YEAR:

The number of books added to the Barr. B. K. Knowledge Resource Center by way of purchase from University Funds was 1889. The books purchased through Contingency Grants were 159 and by donation the numbers of books received were 288. During the year 2023-24, total 2336 books were added to the library collection.

The faculty wise split-up of purchased books/e-books is as follows:

Sr. No.	Name of the Faculty	Books	E-Books
1.	Science and Technology	205	39
2.	Commerce and Management	25	14
3.	Humanities	391	–
4.	Inter-Disciplinary Studies	159	–
5.	General	1109	–
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1889</b>	<b>53</b>

### (C) Contingency Grants:

159 books were purchased from the following research projects/ other schemes / other courses and research schemes through contingencies.

Sr. No.	Budget Heads under Projects	No. of Books
1	Applied Chemistry (A.63.P.4)	25
2	Commerce & Management(MBA )(A.57.P.4)	86
3	Ind. Chemistry (A.21.P.4)	5
4	Library & Information Science (D.2.P.351) Name of teacher- Dr. P. B. Bilawar (ICSSR Minor Research Project)	9
5	Psychology (A.69.P.4)	17
6	YCSR (A.67.P.4)	17
	<b>Total</b>	<b>159</b>

(D) Particulars of books received during the year through donation are as follows:

**Acquisition Section:**

Sr. No.	Names of the Donor	Number of Books
1.	Ramdas Khutwad	03
2.	H. L. Lakshman, Dhanwad	07
3.	Agency for the legal deposit library, Jaysingpur	03
4.	राजेंद्र घोरपडे, कोल्हापूर	10
5.	दिनकर विष्णू पाटील, कोल्हापूर	03
6.	Ankhila Srinivasan, Kerala	04
7.	कुलगुरू कार्यालय, कोल्हापूर	76
8.	चंद्रकांत माळवडे, मुरगुड	03
9.	Dr. P. S. Patankar, Shivaji university, Kolhapur	05
10.	सुमन किराणे, कोल्हापूर	05
11.	C. R. Patil, Kolhapur	06
12.	राजेंद्र झुंजारराव, पुणे	03
13.	सुनिल दादा पाटील, जयसिंगपूर	06
14.	शिशिर	04
15.	अविनाश पाटील, सांगली	04
16.	सुनीलकुमार लवटे, कोल्हापूर	04
17.	National Conference, BBKRC	03
18.	महावीर अध्यासन, शिवाजी विद्यापीठ	16
19.	किरण जगदाळे, बार्शी	09
20.	Centre for studies in Civilization	03
21.	सुभाष धुमे, कोल्हापूर	09
22.	प्रवीण चौगले, कोल्हापूर	04
23.	संजय चोपडे, शिवाजी विद्यापीठ, कोल्हापूर	03
24.	Chitra M. Goswami	09
25.	खुसरो फाऊंडेशन, नई दिल्ली	03
26.	Others	83
	<b>Total</b>	<b>288</b>

## **(E) PERIODICALS SECTION:**

The University Library subscribed to 13 foreign online e-journals and 14 Databases (JSTOR Archive Journal & Primary Source, Institute of Physics, J-Gate Science and Technology, J-Gate Social Science and Humanities, Cambridge University Press, Taylor and Francis, Wiley, Emerald ESS Journals, APS All Package-Online Access, Oxford University Press, SciFinder Academic Unlimited Access Plan, Science Direct 7 Subject Collection, Scopus, EPWRF India Time Series & Knimbus) and 73 Indian print periodicals were subscribed during the year 2023-24. There were 112 print journals received on gratis. In addition to the above, there were 10 daily newspapers of Marathi, Hindi and English languages available for the readers.

## **(F) THESES – DISSERTATIONS & REPORT SECTION:**

During the year 19 reports were added. Up to now 4947 Ph. D. Theses have been uploaded on the Shodhganga ETD portal of INFLIBNET center.

## **10.3 LIBRARY SERVICES TO READERS**

### **A] CIRCULATION OF BOOKS AND JOURNALS:**

The number of registered library users were 4748. In all, 45084 books were issued and returned to users from Circulation Counter and Textbooks Section. 4 teachers from affiliated colleges and institutes availed services of the University Library. No books were borrowed from libraries outside Kolhapur through “Inter-Library Loan System”. “Open Access” facility is available to students in all the sections. A separate catalogue of “Translated” books was made available at Stack Section for references.

- i] Reference facility for 15 walk-in/ casual readers were allowed to avail reference facility for reading materials within library premises on payment basis.
- ii] Permanent Membership by Deposit facility to 16 senior citizens and professionals was rendered by University Library on deposit of Rs.1000/- only per member.
- iii] In all 160 students appearing for Competitive and NET/SET Examinations availed Reading Room facility by paying a monthly fee of Rs.161=00 per member.
- iv] In all 11 readers availed Xerox facility on payment basis.
- v] In all 1922 CD-ROM's are available on various subjects.

### **B.1] The Reading Hall: Barr. Balasaheb Khardekar Knowledge Resource Centre:**

The reading hall of the Library was kept open 18 hours a day from 6.00 a.m. to 12.00 mid-night on all days of a year except national holidays. The average daily attendance in the Reading hall was about 403. The Reading hall was managed by

students from Shri Appasaheb PawarVidyarthi Bhavan studying under the 'Earn & Learn Scheme'.

### **B.2] Study Centre Library:**

The students at affiliated colleges in Kolhapur, Sangli and Satara District, postgraduate students at the University departments, M. Phil/ Ph.D. students and students appearing for NET/SET and competitive examinations, availed facility of Study Centre.

During the year under report 2023-24 students from affiliated colleges admitted in the Study Centre were 169. In Centre 250 students from Postgraduate Departments/NET/SET & other examinations availed the study center facility.

The Centre was kept open from 6 a.m. to 12 midnight (18 hours) on all days including Sundays and holidays.

The textbooks and reference books required for undergraduate & postgraduate students are kept in the Study Centre for consultation within the center, only on production of Identity Card.

The total collection of books is 13,648 in the Study Centre and 6 newspapers are available for the benefit of students. Library fee of Rs.257/- per student was charged.

The daily attendance of the students was 280. Some teaching staff members also availed the facility of the Study Centre.

### **C] Periodicals Section:**

The Periodicals Section is kept open from 10.20 a.m. to 6.00 p.m. on all the working days. The average daily attendance in the section was **18**. Further services of Academic Resource Center for teachers and research students are also provided.

### **D] Archival Cell:**

**In all** 48,014 rare books and 9,163 manuscripts are available in the archival cell of Barr. Balasaheb Khardekar Knowledge Resource Centre. During the year, 2258 researchers and readers availed services of this section.

### **E] Theses, Dissertations, Reference and Reports Section:**

In this section, M.Phil., Ph. D., major and minor research projects, research essays, census reports, District wise Statistical reports and references Sources etc. are kept for the reference of researchers/ scholars. 605 readers visited the reference section to consult the various reference works, theses,

dissertations & reports available in this section. In total, 8142 reference books on various subjects are available for consultation within the reference section.

**F] Resource Center for Inclusive Education (RCIE):**

RashtriyaUchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA) office, Government of Maharashtra, sanctioned RCIE center to Shivaji University, Kolhapur. The center is housed in extended library building of Barr. Balasaheb Khardekar Knowledge Resource Centre. The centre works for the inclusion and development of visually impaired, hearing disabled, orthopedically impaired and mentally challenged students from affiliated colleges of Shivaji University and its departments, special schools for persons with disabilities. The center is well equipped with Braille books, e-resources, audio books, computers with screen reading software, internet/Wi-Fi, low vision devices (Magnifiers, CCTV, Spectacles etc.) for low vision students.

**USER DETAILS of RCIE:**

Sr. No	Users Disability Type	No. of Users
1	Visual Impairment	36
2	Physical Impairment	55
3	Hearing Impairment	57
	Total No of Users	148

**10.4 Library Automation Updates:**

Retro conversion work of active library collection is under process using SOUL 3.0 integrated library management software and the bibliographic information about the collection is made available on the internet through library OPAC/Web OPAC/ m-OPAC system. In line with this, acquisition module, technical processing module for new purchase, and circulation module for issue and return of books to the readers has been initiated with the SOUL 3.0 integrated library management software. Internet and e-resource/online facility is made available with the help of 33 computers, 2 workstations and 25 zero client devices. SMS and email alerts of the transactions have been provided by the circulation section through SOUL 3.0 ILMS.

**10.5 SHIV DNYANSAGAR: Institutional Repository of Shivaji University**

SHIV DNYANSAGAR is an institutional repository for dissemination of variety of inhouse publications such as Annual Reports, Convocation Addresses, Photos, Theses, Dissertations, Patents, Research Papers, Conference Proceedings, Newsletters, Publications of Faculty and other publications of Shivaji University, Kolhapur etc. The

repository has ability to capture, index, store, disseminate and preserve the submitted publications. It is a useful e-resource collection for the e-users community of Shivaji University as well as society. There are 3662 full text documents available for 24 x 7 access.

#### **10.6 Binding:**

During the year the **376** back volumes of journals got bound.

#### **10.7 Free supply of textbooks to the children of class IV employees of the University:**

Under the scheme, the University Library purchased and supplied 25 textbooks to the 3 school going wards of 3 employees. In all 3 employees availed this facility.

#### **10.8 Teachers Personal Library Scheme:**

During 01/06/2023 to 31/05/2024, total 17 teachers from university departments, administrative officers and affiliated college teachers availed this facility.

#### **10.9 Visitors to the Library:**

During the year, 315 visitors from colleges and other sections of the society visited the Barr. Balasaheb Khardekar Knowledge Resource Centre.

#### **10.10 SPECIAL EVENTS:**

1. The Book exhibition on the theme “Indigenous Technologies for Viksit Bharat” (विकसित भारतासाठी स्वदेशी तंत्रज्ञान) was organized on the occasion of National Science Day (NSD) on 28<sup>th</sup> February 2024.
2. On the occasion of Convocation, ‘Granthmahotsav-December 2023’- a mega book exhibition event was organized during 16-18<sup>th</sup> December 2023.
3. Library Orientation Programme to the new university students (P.G and Research) was organized by presenting the information regarding Library by Lecture presentation on 4<sup>th</sup> December to 5<sup>th</sup> December 2023, followed by Library Tour from 6<sup>th</sup> December to 12<sup>th</sup> December, 2023.
4. To honor the sacrifice of police personnel in Mumbai bomb blast the ‘Martyrs day’ was observed on 26<sup>th</sup> November 2023 and on the same day celebrated Indian Constitution Day.

5. Organized State level “Vacchan Prerna Din” on 16<sup>th</sup> October 2023 for all the students.  
On this occasion, Dr. B. M. Hirdekar given a wonderful talk on the topic- ‘का वाचावे?  
आणि काय वाचावे?.
6. ISO-9001:2015 Re-certification surveillance audit of Library was held on 26<sup>th</sup> September 2023
7. Celebrated Barr. Balasaheb Khardekar Jayanti on 1<sup>st</sup> August 2023.
8. On the eve of 60<sup>th</sup> Foundation Day of Department of Library and Information Science & Barr. Balasaheb Khardekar Knowledge Resource Centre have jointly organized one-day National Conference on the theme “Revamping Libraries in Modern Era” on 21<sup>st</sup> July 2023.