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Dr. T.S. Avinashilingam, founder of this institution, a distinguished educationist, and Dr. Rajammal P. Devadas, the first Vice-Chancellor and the spearhead of women's education, recognized the importance and the place of the Library in university education and established it (along with this Institution) in 1958. With dynamic changes towards positive fruition as the university library in 1988, its service is enhanced by its extensions in the Faculty of Engineering (1998), Faculty of Education (2003) & the Guru Maharaj Library (2017) in Campus II at Varapalayam
INTRODUCTION

The Library is situated at the heart of the campus, incorporating modern technologies to provide the readers with the right information at the right time. The total area of the library is 33,205 sq.ft. with a seating capacity of 770 for information seekers. The central library is well structured and spacious with a centralized air-conditioned reading hall. It functions throughout the year except for a few national holidays. The signboards and guide cards placed in the library enable readers to locate resources quickly. The Library follows an open access system for all users. Various sections in the library are under CCTV surveillance. A fire alarm system is in place.

The Library has a rich collection of more than 4,35,713 volumes (2,31,460 print + 2,04,253 e-Resources) comprising of books, journals, thesis, back volumes, e-resources and non-book materials. It has subscriptions to various online resources such as e-databases (EBSCO, SCOPUS, DELNET), 30,387 e-journals (IEEE, EBSCO), 1,73,859 e-books (Springer, Wiley, Pearson, McGraw Hill, Elsevier, EBSCO academic collection), and also an eShodhsindhu membership that provides more access to online resources. Urkund, a web-based anti-plagiarism software under Shodhganga project as well as subscription-based access to Turnitin is made available to users for evaluating research papers.

The Library has an excellent computing infrastructure which includes hardware, efficient software and Wi-Fi connectivity which has completely automated many services with Koha and in-house software. The Library provides internet connectivity with a 1 Gbps leased line. Softwares like Grammarly, INFED and EZproxy help the faculty members, scholars and students to have local and remote access to library resources 24/7 creating a virtual learning environment.
THE CENTRAL LIBRARY: AT A GLANCE

Total Carpet Area  : 33,205 sq. ft.

Seating capacity  : 770

Working hours on  : 09:00 a.m - 08:00 p.m on weekdays
                   09:30 a.m - 01:00 p.m on Weekends,
                   Sundays & other holidays

Access   : Open access system

Classification  : Colon Classification\(CC), UDC

Book collections  : General Text, Reference & Rare Books

Software  : Koha & in-house software

Security system   : RFID, CCTV & fire extinguisher

Internet bandwidth  : 1 Gbps

Sources of finance  : UGC, General Fund, Self Finance & Projects

Average users per day  : 1770

No.of circulation/day  : 650

No.of computer systems: 100

Website  : Separate website for the Library
## LIBRARY COLLECTIONS

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ACCESS TO LIBRARY RESOURCES

- All documents have been classified according to the Colon Classification scheme.
- Classified Catalogue Code and Anglo-American Cataloguing Rules II have been used for cataloguing the books.
- Open Access System is practiced.
- Web-based OPAC (Online Public Access Catalogue) has been created. Multi-searches based on author, title, subject, and class number are possible on this system.
- All books have been tagged with RFID tags.
- Special reference collections of books and rare books are placed in a separate section.
- Online resources are made available through the Library's website.

LIBRARY SERVICES & FACILITIES

The library provides the following services:

Circulation Service

The circulation counter handles front desk operations. The major activities are:

- Issue and return of books.
- Attending to user queries for effective interpretation of library rules and regulations.
- Sending SMS reminders to overdue documents.
- Maintenance of the circulation module of the library management software (Koha) and updating all data related to library users.
- Maintaining records of lost book(s) and overdue charges.
- Collection of overdue charges and paying the same to the finance section.
- Issuing 'No-Dues' certificate.
• Conducting academic tours of the library for visitors and students from other institutions.
• Granting permission to outsiders to use the library.
• Generating reports and statistics of the circulation of resources.

**Self check-in/out KIOSK:** This helps users to independently issue and return books, find overdue amount, and get enquiry slips.

**Reference Facility**

• The reference section is an important facility offered by the library. It contains a vast collection of academic resources that cater to the specific needs of the courses in the Institute.
• The Library houses all important reference sources like encyclopedias, dictionaries, handbooks, manuals, references for statistics, and yearbooks.
• The collection ranges from general to subject-specific sources.
• All the reference sources are housed in the reference section.
• The reference books are indicated with 'R'.
• The collection of costly books is kept in separate cupboards under lock and key.
• Users can contact staff on duty for any assistance.

**Inter-Library Loan (ILL) Service**

The Inter Library Loan service enables users to obtain book(s) and other reading materials that are not available in our library collection, from other libraries with whom the Library can arrange to borrow for academic use. The book can be obtained on loan for a specific period. While the service is free of cost, the user ordering the book must bear the cost of courier. The loan period may be stipulated by the lending library. Documents received under the ILL service will have to be returned before the due date.
Such materials will have to be handled with utmost care and returned to the library well on time. This service is provided for academic and research purpose to the faculty, research scholars, students and staff who are members of the library. Members are requested to send a formal request to the library with complete bibliographic details of documents required.

ILL Service is available through
✧ DELNET through http://delnet.nic.in/
✧ J-Gate through
✧ The ILL request can be made via email: library@avinuty.ac.in

**Photocopying/Scanning/Printing Service**

Two machines have been provided in the library for photocopying, scanning and printing. Photocopying is done in compliance with the copyright ordinance.

**Location**: Ist Floor  
**Timings**: 09:00 to 17:00 hrs

**The Library's photocopying/printing/scanning charges are as follows:**

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**Plagiarism Checking Service (Urkund and Turnitin)**

✧ The Library has a facility to detect plagiarism using the software Urkund (supported by UGC INFLIBNET) and Turnitin.
✧ The software helps users detect possible plagiarism in a document and generates a report showing the similarities with other documents.
✧ Urkund has a centralised process of scanning documents for plagiarism.
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The Library handles plagiarism verification for Ph.D. theses, M.Phil dissertations, projects, papers presented at conferences, workshops, and abstracts, using Urkund anti-plagiarism software. The students, research scholars, and staff members need to submit the application form endorsed by the respective supervisors/ HoDs.

The submission of documents for plagiarism check should be emailed to plagiarsimcheck@avinuty.ac.in.

**Grammarly (https://www.grammarly.com/)**

The Library subscribes to the premium version of Grammarly - an automated grammar tutor and revision tool for writing. A web-based solution, Grammarly works one-on-one with a researcher/student to develop essential writing skills, reinforce correct revisions and prevent plagiarism. Users can upload drafts of their assignments to Grammarly to receive immediate instructional feedback on over 250 points of grammar, punctuation, and style.

Faculty/ researchers/ students can send their names and email addresses to library@avinuty.ac.in to create an account in Grammarly.

**Library Orientation and Training**

The Library organises an orientation for its students at the beginning of the academic year. This orientation is designed to introduce the students to the Library's resources and to strengthen the research skills. This orientation covers both printed and electronic resources. Besides this, an interactive training session is organised for the readers about the various subscribed databases in the Library such as EBSCO, SCOPUS, DELNET etc. in order to acquaint them with these databases and get optimum results. These sessions are conducted in the computer lab, providing students with a hands-on experience.
The training-cum-user awareness workshop is organised by the Library whenever new activities/ initiatives/ subscriptions/ trial access is provided to the users. These workshops are organized to help users get familiar with the product and to learn to use it.

**RFID Service**

Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) is an automatic identification technology which uses Radio Frequency Electromagnetic fields to identify objects carrying with radio tags when they come close to an RFID reader. This technology is being used in our library for the smooth functioning of operations such as self check-in/ check-out/ self-renewal/ physical stock verification/ tracing of books, etc.

**OPAC/WEB OPAC (http://aulibrary.avinuty.ac.in)**

The web-based Online Public Access Catalogue (OPAC) has been created for more than 2 lakhs documents available in the library. The OPAC is an online catalogue of the information resources available in the Library. This online catalogue is a database of the titles of all the books, journals, back volumes, theses and non-book materials available in the Library.

OPAC allows the users to browse the entire library collection and can search by author, title, subject, and keyword and helps users find out the availability of library documents. The Library catalogues can be searched and accessed from various departments through the intranet facility and Wi-Fi facility.

At the entrance point in the ground floor of the library and in all the sections of the library computer systems in various sections of the Library are provided with access to OPAC.
Remote Login ([http://idp.avinuty.ac.in](http://idp.avinuty.ac.in))

- Access to the e-resources subscribed by the Library is available to all faculty and students through remote access.
- A username and password will be provided by the Library.
- This access is provided free of charge to the faculty members and students.
- Usage of the resources will be strictly monitored. Any misuse will result in access being revoked.
- For further assistance, users may contact the Library staff or email at library@avinuty.ac.in

Open Sources ([http://aulibrary.avinuty.ac.in](http://aulibrary.avinuty.ac.in))

Open access is a broad international academic movement that seeks free and open online access to academic information, such as publications and data. When anyone can read, download, copy, distribute, print, search for and search within a publication, or use it in education or another way within the legal agreements, the publication is called open access, as there are no financial or technical barriers.

Open access resources are available in various forms such as e-journals, e-books, electronic theses, dissertations, directories, e-print archives, digital repositories, open education resources, search engines and blogs. All these resources available on the web are scholarly and useful to support academic and research work.

E-Alert Service

E-Alert service assists faculty and students in keeping up-to-date with current research in specific areas of interest. These services include:

- **E-News**: The headlines from the leading dailies such as The Hindu, The New Indian Express, Dina Thanthi, Dina Mani, etc. which are electronically displayed via E-news.
New books alert: Latest arrivals of books are displayed electronically every week. The Library is constantly adding new books and maintains a monthly list of recently added books.

Table of content alerts: Alerts are prepared about the Table of Content from the latest issues of journals and are emailed to the respective departments.

The Library also provides search alerts, citation alerts, new publication alerts, web-based alerts, conference alerts, databases and E-journal alerts

Newspaper Clippings Service

A newspaper is the mirror of society. Newspapers capture day-to-day life of a community and its citizens.

The sections of newspapers report various events and opinions under the editorial, human interest stories, social news, sports, advice columns, obituaries, and business reports that as a whole tell the life story of the communities in which those great events take place and the lives they affect.

It is a valuable resource for scholars and researchers of the future. If newspapers are not preserved, no one in the future will be able to access this information.

The collection of newspaper clippings has been accumulated from daily news articles on technological developments, university news, and any other useful information.

Service for Divyagjan

A special unit was established to provide innovative teaching techniques that continue to have far-reaching effects on the lives of visually-challenged students and taking them to new heights of independence. This unit consists of a unique computer reading facility for the visually impaired. The unit aims to provide barrier-free access and
independent reading of library materials. The Institute believes that with proper training and opportunity, visually-challenged people can compete on terms of equality with their sighted peers.

The special unit has acquired the latest assisting technologies to help visually-impaired readers with scanners to read print materials. An air-conditioned lab with four computers loaded with software like JAWS, Kurzweil K1000 OCR Reading software and hardware like Read It Wand, Read Easy Move, and Seika reader is made available in the unit.

**Institutional Repository (http://10.1.1.200/jspui/)**

The institutional repository is an archive for collecting, preserving, and disseminating digital copies of the intellectual output of an institution. The Library digitized its materials using DSpace software, and created an institutional repository which be accessed through the intranet facility.

The repository is maintained under the following categories:

- Publication of the faculty members
- M.Phil, Ph.D. and post graduate theses
- Founder, Dr. T.S Avinashilingam Ayya Avl., and First Vice-Chancellor, Dr. Rajammal P Devadas Amma Avl collection
- 300 rare books from various subjects
- University question papers.

**National Digital Library (https://ndl.iitkgp.ac.in/)**

- The National Digital Library of India (NDL India) is an all-digital library that stores information (metadata) about different types of digital content including books, articles, videos, audios, thesis, and other educational materials relevant for users from various educational levels.
- The Library has an institutional membership of NDL India and has enrolled staff and students on the NDL website.
The scholarly resources can be accessed free of cost with the login and password provided.

**Security facilities**

- **RFID Security Gate** - The RFID (Radio Frequency Identification) 3D gates at the entrance of the reading hall secures all the library documents. The RFID gate reduces the accidental or deliberate removal of library items by detecting RFID tags on the documents in any orientation. Upon detection, a configurable alert provides an immediate audible and visual warning.

- **CCTV Surveillance** - The surveillance systems helps to prevent theft. Common malpractice in libraries such as tearing of pages from the books and hiding of books are reduced to a great extent. The library has 16 cameras placed in various sections.

- **Fire Alarm** - The library building has a fire alarm facility to minimize the possibility of damage from fire.

**LIBRARY BUILDING AND LAYOUT**

1. **Ground Floor (4590 Sq.ft)**

   ![Reading Hall](image_url)

   **Reading Hall**

   - **Property Counter:** The personal belongings of the students and staff are kept in the property counter provided at the entrance of the library.
Main Reading Hall: The Library reading hall has a seating capacity of 150 seats, with centralized air-conditioning and is well lighting facilities so as to make the users feel comfortable. The reading hall allows users to access the latest books available in all subjects.

Electronic Gate Register: The members of the Library need to place their RFID identity cards at the electronic gate register at the time of entry and exit from the Library. It records the exact number of readers using the library at a particular time. This also provides security.

Circulation Counter: The circulation section is at the main entrance of the library. Books are issued and received back at this counter. Members can borrow the books by producing RFID enabled identity cards. The overdue charges, if any, are also collected here. This section is completely automated using RFID technology. Self check-in/check-out (KIOSK) is also used for issue/return of books.

Student Service Centre: This centre facilitates the development of effective academic learning and performance skills among students. It is stacked withy 500 books on employment opportunities, competitive exams, self-motivation, interview preparation, personality development, etc. It helps the students develop research skills and languages skills and helps them turn into successful and independent leaders.

Learning Centre for Divyagjan: The Library has a separate facility for students with special needs. This Centre aims to provide barrier-free access and independent reading of library materials. It facilitates learning for visual impaired students with specialized software such as JAWS (Job Access with Speech Software), Kuruzweil reading machine software, Magic software, and specially configured hardware such as Readit Wand Read Easy Move, Seika Braille Display. The library building has a ramp and wheelchair for easy and convenient access to the students with special needs.
Rare Book Section: Library maintains a separate section for rare books which is nearly 3229.

2. Cellar (3205 sq. ft.)

- Stack I: This stack contains books under the Science and Home Science fields and is stacked in 42 wooden cupboards with nearly 35,500 books arranged according to the classified order. All the cupboards are provided with guide cards for easy access.

3. Mezzanine Floor (3205 sq. ft.)

- Stack II: (1600 sq. ft.) This section has 23,900 books on Humanities and Commerce arranged in 28 wooden cupboards. All the cupboards are provided with guide cards for easy access.

Reference section: General/Subject Reference (1605 sq. ft.) The Library has a vast collection of reference books which includes encyclopaedias, handbooks, dictionaries, biographies, manuals, art books, geographical sources etc. All the reference sources are housed in the reference section.
4. First Floor (8765 sq. ft.)

Current Periodical Section: The Library provides physical as well as virtual access to a large collection of journals to the users. Periodicals and serials are essential for study and research as the articles published in them are the primary means of communication and exchange of scientific information. The library subscribes to 254 national and international journals, magazines, newspapers, and also receives nearly 210 periodicals as gifts and on exchange basis. 32 newspapers and 34 magazines are also available for reading in this section. The current issues of the journals and magazines are displayed on the display rack. Nearly 30,387 e-journals in various fields are available under the e-ShodhSindhu consortium and via subscriptions. These e-resources (e-books, e-journals, e-databases, e-theses, academic online videos, video talks, etc.) is available 24/7 and can also be accessed by remote login facility.
Back Volume Section: A journal, on completion of its volume, will be sent for binding. The bound volumes are assigned accession numbers and kept in the back volume section for future reference. The details are entered in the library management software. These back volumes are arranged subject-wise and in alphabetical order in the bound volume area. The Library maintains 15387 journal holdings in this section.

Theses Section: More than 12,038 Ph.D, M.Phil and PG theses are maintained in this section. The bibliographic details of the theses and dissertations are available on the OPAC.

Multimedia Centre: A collection of non-book materials such as audio cassettes, video cassettes, compact discs (7700), etc. is maintained in a separate section and listed in a computer file. The multimedia centre is equipped with a multi-media system, TV and DVD player. The components such as graphics, animation, and sound, enhances the learning process through visualization. These materials are open to all our Library users.

Electronic Thesis and Dissertation Lab: The Electronic Thesis and Dissertation (ETD) Lab was established using the grant provided by UGC under the Shodhganga project. This Lab has 32 computer systems for readers to access e-resources, such as e-journals, e-books, e-databases, e-theses, the institutional repository and for browsing open access resources.
- **Acquisition/ Technical section:** This section collects requests for books from the faculty and checks them for duplication, places orders with the selected suppliers, receives the books with bills, verifies them and records the book and bill. The section is automated and the manual accession register was discontinued. Presently, a printed accession register is being maintained. After acquisition, the processed books are transferred to the technical section.

- **Photocopying Room:** Two photocopier machines have been provided in the Library for photocopying, printing and scanning. Photocopying is made in compliance with the copyright ordinance.

- **Business and Management:** Nearly 7000 books on management and tourism are placed in the business administration section which operates in a separate room. This helps the students of management studies to get access to all their resources at one point.

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**LIBRARY MEMBERSHIP**

All the students, faculty members, and employees of the institute are entitled for a membership to the library. Non-members have to pay necessary fees for reference as decided by the Institution from time to time.

**Circulation hours**

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BORROWING FACILITIES

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♦ Borrowed books must be returned within or on the due date mentioned in the date slip of the document issued.

Documents that can be borrowed
♦ Books from the general shelf can be borrowed.
♦ On-demand books can be borrowed only for one day.

Documents that cannot be borrowed
♦ Journals, bound volumes, loose issues of journals and the latest available issues of magazines are to be read within library premises and are not available for issuing out.
♦ CD ROMS, DVDs and audio or video cassettes cannot be borrowed.
♦ Theses and dissertations cannot be borrowed.

Borrowing Rules:
♦ The privilege of borrowing books from the Library is restricted to members only.
The members are provided with RFID-enabled identity cards. Identity cards must be produced for borrowing books. These cards are not transferable.

The reader should check the books thoroughly for missing pages, chapters, etc., while getting them issued.

No damaged book will be accepted from the users on return. Damaged books will have to be replaced by the borrower.

Loss of identity card should be reported immediately to the Librarian.

Books issued will not be accepted back on the same day.

Loss of books must be reported immediately. Late fee, if any, will be charged till the loss of book is reported.

Books are re-issued/renewed only if there are no claims.

Readers will be charged with fine for overdue books @Rs.5/- per book per day; the membership will be cancelled after a period of 5 days of non-return of the books.

Reference books, theses, CDs and loose issues/bound volumes of periodicals will not be issued.

Every user is requested to check the status of the books outstanding against their name soon after a transaction at the counter.

Discrepancy, if any, should be brought to the notice of the staff at the counter immediately. Any complaint thereafter is will not be entertained.

**General Rules:**

Strict silence should be maintained in the library.

All the students, scholars and outsiders entering the library must keep their bags and other belongings in the entrance.

Only papers and library books to be returned are allowed inside the library.

Do not leave any valuables at the check point.
The Library is not responsible for any loss of personal belongings.
Identity card is compulsory for access to the library. This should be presented in the electronic gate register at entry and exit.
Beverages and eatables are not allowed inside the Library.
Use of cell phones inside the library is strictly prohibited.
No photographs of the library shall be taken without proper authorization.
Demand and suggestion slips are available at the circulation desk for the users of the Library.
The Library user shall not engage in audible conversation in any part of the library.
Books or other material taken from the stacks should not be re-shelved by the readers. Books should be left on the reading table after use. Please remember that a document misplaced is a document lost.
Deliberate tampering of RFID tags and unauthorised exit of books will invite severe penalty.
The Librarian reserves the right to suspend the membership of any member found misbehaving with the library staff or any other member.

**Online Resources: Fair use terms and condition**

- Online (Secured Internet) access to subscribed resources is available on intranet.
- Visitors shall not access subscribed e-resources.
- **E-resources can be used for academic purpose only.** Using e-resources for commercial gain is not permitted (i.e. reselling, redistributing or republishing licensed content).
- Transmitting, disseminating or otherwise making online content available to unauthorized users (i.e. sending to mailing lists or electronic bulletin boards) is not permitted.
Systematic downloading or printing of entire journal issues or volumes, or large portions of other e-resources is not permitted.

Internet ID/ password given to members of Institute should be kept confidential.

Users should logout of their internet account after using internet in library or anywhere on campus.

Users should not misuse the internet facility.

The Librarian reserves the right to stop extending this facility to a user found misusing the facility and initiate action as per the Institutes rules.

**OUR PUBLICATIONS:**

The library brings out the following publications for the benefit of the members:

- Catalogue of current periodicals
- New additions to the library
- Library manual
- Library flyers
- Know your library
- Library policy & procedures

**SOURCES OF FUNDING**

- University
- University Grants Commission (UGC)
- Project
- Others (INFLIBNET, INFONET)

**LIBRARY AUTOMATION:**

The introduction of computers has extended the horizons of the library and has made new automated and electronic services available to its users. The Library is a part of the fibre optic-based campus LAN.
The Library has its own sub-LAN to support the automation of the Library’s activities.

The Library is automated with the in-house software developed in Visual Basic. SOUL software has also been procured from INFLIBNET. The Library is a part of institute-wide network of which is built around a fibre optic cable backbone, comprising of routing switches.. The Library has 4 servers, 45 computers, two laptops and other equipment to cater to the needs of the users. Access to e-resources is provided through 1 Gbps Internet connectivity through NKN.

INFORMATION AND LIBRARY NETWORK (INFLIBNET):

The Information and Library Network (INFLIBNET) is an autonomous inter-university centre of the UGC, located at the Gujarat University Campus, Ahmedabad. It is directed towards the modernization of libraries and information centres for information transfer and access. INFLIBNET has been playing a vital role in the automation of the Library especially during the period 1997-2002, when it provided recurring and non-recurring grants.

Role of INFLIBNET in Library ICT development
**E-Resources**

Access to e-resources (e-books, e-databases and e-journals) is available through UGC-INFONET and Institution subscription. The user can access to 30,387 resources covering various subject disciplines. The Library provides full-time browsing facility and internet connectivity for the users. More than 50 computer systems are provided to the users of the Library to access the above facilities. All the online resources are available in Intranet and remote access facility.

E-journals : E-Shodhsindhu - 26512 journals & 3875 journals through Institution subscription

- E-Databases : Seven online databases
  - Eshodhsindhu - Web of Science, Mathscinet, ISID, J-gate,
  - Subscription - SCOPUS, DELNET, EBSCO

**E-Database: Institution Subscription**

**SCOPUS** ([https://www2.scopus.com/home.url](https://www2.scopus.com/home.url))

Scopus, launched in November 2004, is one of the world's largest abstract and indexing database, where one can have access to abstract and citation information from around 20,500 journals belonging to more than 5,000 different publishers. Scopus offers researchers a quick, easy and comprehensive resource to support their research needs in scientific, technical, medical and social science disciplines and also in arts and humanities. Scopus database can be used for evaluating the research performance of the individual as well as the institution. This will create an awareness among the researchers and faculty members to include more peer reviewed content. Citation analysis and various other analysis tools are available in Scopus.
**EBSCO Business Source Elite** (*http://search.ebscohost.com*)

EBSCO is a worldwide leader in providing information access and management solutions. Business Source Elite provides full text coverage of scholarly Business, Management and Economics journals. This rich collection also includes publications covering topics such as Accounting, Banking, Finance, International Business, Marketing, Sales, etc. Business Source Elite+ offers full text for over 1,000 business publications and contains expanded PDF backfiles for 150 titles (back to 1985 or the first issue published for that journal).

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**Total Collection 30387**

**DELNET** *http://164.100.247.30/*

Since 2011, the Institute Library is a member of DELNET. DELNET has been established with the prime objective of promoting resource-sharing among the libraries through the development of a network of libraries.
DELNET provides the delivery of individual books as and when required by the member-libraries and photocopies of journal articles that are published in Indian and foreign journals through its inter-library loan and document delivery services.

The member-libraries can send the list of bibliographical references of journal articles either online or through e-mail.

**E-Database: E-Shodhsindhu**

Web of Science through INFONET ([http://isiknowledge.com/](http://isiknowledge.com/))

The Web of Science provides seamless access to current and past multidisciplinary information from approximately 8,700 of the most prestigious, high impact research journals in the world. Authoritative, multidisciplinary content covers over 12,000 of the highest impact journals worldwide, including Open Access journals and over 150,000 conference proceedings. Current and retrospective coverage in the Sciences, Social Sciences, Arts, and Humanities, can also be found with coverage to 1900.

**ISID ([http://isid.org.in/](http://isid.org.in/))**

The Institute for Studies in Industrial Development (ISID), a sponsored institution of the Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR), is a public-funded, non-commercial research and development institution in Social Science. ISID was set up as an independent organization to carry on the work initiated by the Corporate Study Group (CSG), at the Indian Institute of Public Administration, during the early 'eighties. ISID has developed databases on various aspects of the Indian economy, particularly concerning industry and the corporate sector. It has created online Indexes of Indian Social Science Journals and press clippings on diverse Social Science subjects.
It provides access to indexes of 125 Indian Social Science journals and major newspaper articles, editorials and news features.

**MathsciNet** ([https://mathscinet.ams.org/mathscinet/](https://mathscinet.ams.org/mathscinet/))

MathSciNet is an electronic publication offering access to a carefully maintained and easily searchable database of reviews, abstracts, and bibliographic information for much of the mathematical sciences literature. Over 80,000 new items are added each year, most of them classified according to the Mathematics Subject Classification. Authors are uniquely identified, enabling a search for publications by individual author rather than by the name string. Extending the MR tradition, MathSciNet contains over 2 million items and over 700,000 direct links to original articles. Reference lists are collected and matched internally from over 300 journals, and citation data for journals, authors, articles and reviews are provided. This web of citations allows users to track the history and influence of research publications in the mathematical sciences.

**J-GATE: The E-journal Gateway** ([https://jgateplus.com/search/](https://jgateplus.com/search/))

J-Gate is an electronic gateway to global e-journal literature. Launched in 2001 by Informatics India Limited, J-Gate provides seamless access to millions of journal articles available online offered by 10,214 publishers. Access is provided for 5,133 journals through J-Gate.

**E-Books: Institutional Subscription**

The Library subscribes to more than 1,73,000 e-books from the following publishers covering various subject disciplines.
**EBSCO Academic eBook Collection**

EBSCO Academic eBook Collection contains a large selection of multidisciplinary eBooks representing a broad range of academic subjects. The breadth of information available through this package ensures that students and scholars will have access to information relevant to their research needs. It offers more than 170,000 e-books. This collection includes titles from leading university presses such as Oxford University Press, MIT Press, State University of New York Press, Cambridge University, etc.

**Springer eBooks (http://link.springer.com)**

The Springer eBooks collection of 1,210 titles can be accessed throughout the campus through intranet facility. This will extend access to the same title to many more users, and eliminates the need to buy multiple copies of the same book.

**Wiley-Blackwell (http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/)**

This is an international scientific, technical, medical, and scholarly publishing business of John Wiley & Sons, with strengths in every major academic and professional field and partnerships with many of the world's leading societies. The publishers can boast of 22 titles 536 eBooks for Engineering and competitive examinations.

**Pearson Education (http://lib.myilibrary.com/home.aspx)**

Pearson Education India specializes in the publication of academic and reference books in the fields of Computer Science, Engineering, Business & Management, Trade, Higher Education and competitive examinations. The library has subscribed to 80 books on various general disciplines.
**McGraw-Hill E-Books** ([http://2.accessengineeringlibrary.com](http://2.accessengineeringlibrary.com))

Library users can access McGraw-Hills exceptional content, wherever and whenever they want, by subscribing to the Library's catalogue. They will find the search options of the eBook Library simple to use with relevant, thorough results. Users can also create their own accounts, add notes, bookmarks and highlights and print parts of the book for their personal use. Nearly 331 books can be accessed on this site.

**Elsevier Insight**

Elsevier, a leading publisher of scientific, technical, and medical information products and services, provides a new online book series covering topics in areas such as Life and Physical Sciences, Engineering, Computer Science, Tourism, and Finance. Elsevier Insights provides high quality, cutting-edge, specialized content through fast-track online publication. The Library subscribes to Elsevier Insights library- Engineering- Access Plus e-books which has access to Computer Science (315) and Engineering (463) eBooks.

**Shodhganga & Shodhgangotri through INFLIBNET**

**Shodhganga:** The Shodhganga @INFLIBNET Centre provides a platform for research students to deposit their Ph.D. theses and make it available to the entire academic community through open access. The repository has the ability to capture, index, store, disseminate, and preserve ETDs submitted by the researchers. The Institute had signed an MOU for Shodhganga on 13th July 2012 and has so far uploaded 473 theses.

**ShodhGangotri:** Shodhgangotri hosts the synopsis of research topics submitted to the universities. It provides a platform for research students to deposit their approved versions of synopsis. Till date, 10 synopsis has been uploaded.
DIGITAL LIBRARY

The digital library is a library in which collections are stored in digital formats and accessible on computers. The content may be stored locally and accessed remotely. Digital library collections contain permanent documents. The digital environment will enable quick handling and/or ephemeral information. Digital libraries are based on digital technologies.

The Library started digitization of materials using DSpace software and created an institutional repository. This repository has been created using the digitized materials and can be accessed through intranet facility.

- The publications by the staff (2745) from the year 2010-2016 have been digitised and added into the institutional repository for access via the intranet.
- Since 1958, nearly 4012 Post Graduate theses have been digitized.
- The publications of our Founder, Dr. T.S Avinashilingam, and First Vice-Chancellor, Dr. Rajammal P Devadas Avargals, have been digitized.
- More than 300 rare books from the various subject collection have been digitized.
- University question papers (848) have been digitized.

Library Website (http://aulibrary.avinuty.ac.in)

The library has developed a separate website for its readers and it showcases details and offers its services to the readers with the following features:

- Interaction with the library catalog.
- Gateway to electronic resources
- Library tutorials.
- Subject gateway
A subject gateway acts as a tool for libraries, for users, and for the academicians for their study, research, and qualitative work. It integrates all traditional services like bibliographies, current awareness services, and selective dissemination of information, digests, and RSS by providing a single platform link to the web portal. Resources covered include print and electronic, subscribed and freely available content.

The Library has created a subject gateway and provided the link through the Library website.
New Laws of Librarianship

- Libraries serve humanity.
- Respect all forms by which knowledge is communicated.
- Use technology intelligently to enhance service.
- Protect free-access to knowledge.
- Honour the past and create the future

- Michael Gorman