## Library Report



## College Library Report 2023-24

Librarian: Mr. Santosh Patil

"Those who judge will never understand, and those who understand will never judge."

## Gautama Buddha

The college library has served as a hub for researchers, educators, and students seeking resources. It is essential to research, education, and learning. Information technology has changed how information is packaged, processed, stored, and shared in the modern world. It has had a significant impact on how teachers and students look for information. Every user desires instant access to information. An educational environment that is changing so quickly means that no library can afford to fall behind.

Our college library increased its efforts to implement a cybernetic setup to meet the evolving needs of its patrons by subscribing to online peer-reviewed journals and major online databases. This allowed the library to keep up with the changing environment and the users' demand for quick access to information sources. We generated metadata for library holdings and offered online reference resources. The college library started scanning internal resources like question papers, publications from faculty research, and newspaper clippings, among other items.

The database is accessible via the college's website, http://rapodar.ac.in/library.php.

New additions during the year: This year, the college library added 856 books and subscribed to 54 national and international journals and five online databases. The library also renewed its subscription to INFLIBNET's NLIST to support research at the college.

## Total Collection of the Library

| Books | 76250 | Thesis | 18 |
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| Periodicals | 54 | CDs | 1600 |
| Online Journals | 12700 | Audio Cassettes | 61 |
| Online Databases | 1. Indiastat <br> 2. JGATE Taxmann <br> 4. Knimbus <br> ebooks | Video Tapes | 45 |
| N-LIST e-books | $5,99,000$ |  |  |

Library Services: Along with the Book Bank facility, the college library also provides other services like home reading, reference, documentation, photocopying, bibliography, interlibrary loan, current awareness service, and internet surfing. The library also conducted training for teachers and students for hands-on practice on online databases, e-journals, online public access catalogs, etc.

Consultancy in Plagiarism Check: The college library also provides consultancy in plagiarism checking for all kinds of documents, like Ph.D. theses, M.Phil. dissertations, research articles, book chapters, MRPs, and other academic projects and reports, etc.

This year, we have scanned about 500 documents through the URKUND and DRILLBIT Anti Plagiarism Checkers. The college library received documents from across the country.

Upgradation of Library Racks under RUSA Grants: This year, the college library has purchased 42 steel racks with sliding doors under the RUSA (Rashtriya Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan) Grants sanctioned for 'Enhancing the quality and infrastructure of select autonomous colleges. The total cost of the racks is Rs 13 lakh. These closed-door racks will help us protect the library's rare collection, as these volumes are out of print and a very important source of information.

Upgrade of SLIM21 to iSLIM under RUSA Grants: This year, the college library upgraded its existing library, SLIM21, with iSLIM, which is a completely online cloud-based interface. This online portal would benefit library users with $24 \times 7$ days of free access to the library's holdings. The college library has been using the present library software for more than 19 years. The library has already been fully computerized with all major modules, namely acquisition, cataloging, circulation, and serial control. OPAC (Online Public Access Catalog). OPAC is available online. Almost all transactions are made through computerized operations.

Creation of a Video Conferring Room under RUSA Grants: We have created a Video Conferencing Room after following the due course of procedure under the financial support of RUSA under component 8. This facility has been created to enable our teachers and students to create digital content and arrange for online meetings and other activities. The total cost of the same comes to Rs 15 lakhs.

Create a computer setup to access e-resources: About 40 computer setups have been created for students to access resources for their studies. These computers are provided with internet access with a bandwidth of 200 mbps .

Book Bank Scheme: Due to the lockdown, this year the college library has given limited sets of books to the students who applied for them. The sets of books are given under both the schemes: the University of Mumbai Book Bank Scheme and the College Book Bank Scheme.

Best Reader Award: The 'Best Reader of the Year' 2022-23 was given to the following two students who were selected by the Library Advisory Committee members in its meeting dated April 19, 2022.

## Library Award: 'Best Reader of the Year' 2023-24

The following two students have qualified for the Library Award 'BEST READER OF THE YEAR' 2023-24 in the interaction held by the Library Advisory Committee with the students on Thursday, February 1, 2024.

- Mr. Soham Pokharkar: T.Y.B.Com. 1st Prize
- Ms. Nithyasree Subramanian: S.Y.B.Sc., 2nd Prize

The LAC also decided to give certificates to the following three students who have been active users and readers of the college library:

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1. Ms. Kavya Kulkarni: F.Y.B.Com., 3rd Prize
2. Mr. Bhotika Nirmit Namish: S.Y.J.C. 4th Prize
3. Ms. Mihika Sarang: S.Y.B.Sc., 5th Prize

## Library Advisory Committee:

1. Dr. (Mrs.) Shobhana Vasudevan (Principal): President
2. Mrs. Manjusha Sawant: Chairman
3. Mr. Santosh Patil (Librarian) : Secretary
4. Mrs. Jajoo Kavita (Vice Principal) : Member
5. Mr. Madhav Gavande (Vice-Principal-Jr. Col.): Member
6. Mr. Suryaknat. Pagare: Member
7. Mr. KapildeoIndurkar:: Member
8. Mrs. Sudarshana Saikia: Member
9. Mrs. Divya Lalwani (BMS Coordinator): Member
10. Mr. Soham Pokharkar (student): Student
"Knowledge speaks but wisdom listens."
