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# **❖** Matoshri Rukmini Mallappa Rote Granthalaya Knowledge Resource Centre (Library)

#### **\*** Library Overview and Services

The Mahavir Mahavidyalaya Library, established in 1970, serves as a central knowledge hub for the institution. A well-qualified Librarian and dedicated library staff are always present at the counter to assist users in locating books and addressing any queries related to library services.

The library actively facilitates Inter-Library Loan (ILL) services by collaborating with neighboring institutions to ensure access to a broader range of academic resources. At Mahavir Mahavidyalaya Library, we are committed to fostering a vibrant academic environment that supports teaching, learning, and research. Our goal is to nurture lifelong learners and to stimulate curiosity, creativity, and critical thinking among students.

#### **Resources Available:**

- Books across various disciplines
- Periodicals and Newspapers
- Academic Journals
- E-resources (via INFLIBNET N-LIST and other platforms)
- Lesson Plans
- Project Work and Reports

#### **&** Educational Impact:

The library plays a vital role in:

- Encouraging creative lesson planning among student-teachers
- Improving students' retention and conceptual clarity
- Promoting deeper understanding and higher-order thinking skills
- Enhancing involvement and participation in academic activities
- Solving students' academic queries effectively
- Increasing peer-group interaction and collaborative learning
- Providing a sense of academic satisfaction and motivation

# **\*** Facilities & Services:

#### 1.Book Lending Service

- Circulation of textbooks and reference books to students and staff as per borrowing rules.
- Lending is done using barcode/QR-based automated system.

#### 2. Online Public Access Catalogue (OPAC)

- Users can search books and other resources through an online catalogue by author, title, subject, etc.
- Available on the intranet and/or website (if applicable).

#### 3. Reference and Referral Service

- Assistance to users in finding relevant books, research articles, and information sources.
- Guidance on use of library resources, databases, and citation methods.

#### 4. Reading Room Facility

- Spacious reading hall with comfortable seating.
- Open for extended hours during examinations.

#### 5. Digital Library Services

- Access to e-resources including e-books, e-journals, databases.
- Support for online learning platforms such as N-LIST

#### 6. Current Awareness Service (CAS)

- Display and circulation of latest information on new arrivals, journal contents, and notices.
- Display of daily newspapers and employment news.

#### 7. Book Bank Facility

• Provision of textbooks for a semester to economically weaker and deserving students under Book Bank scheme.

#### 8. Reprography/Printing Facility

Xerox/printing service provided to students and staff at nominal charges

#### 9. User Orientation & Information Literacy Programs

- Training for new users on how to use library resources effectively.
- Orientation sessions for first-year students.

# 10.Inter-Library Loan (ILL)

• Facility to borrow books from neighboring colleges/institutions through mutual understanding or networking.

# 11. Newspaper Reading Corner

- Multiple newspapers (Marathi & English) available for reading.
- Promotes general awareness and reading habits.

# 12.Support for Research

- Assistance in literature search, plagiarism awareness, referencing tools.
- Access to digital tools and databases for academic writing.

# 13.Institutional Repository

• Access to in-house research, project reports, previous question papers, and other academic content.

# 14.Library Feedback System

• Feedback and suggestion register/box for continuous improvement of services.

# 10. Library Automation:

- Software Used: easyanduseful Vidyasagar Software
- Status: Fully Automated
- Barcode / QR Code-based Circulation

# 11. Digital Initiatives:

- Digital Attendance (via ID cards/QR code)
- Institutional Repository / E-content access