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(A Jain Minority Institution)

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NAAC Accreditation A Grade

❖ **Library Sections**

1. Reference Section

- Contains encyclopedias, dictionaries, yearbooks, handbooks, and other ready-reference materials.
- For in-library use only.

2. Textbook Section

- Prescribed textbooks for all courses and semesters.
- Mainly used by students for daily and exam preparation.

3. General Book Section (Stack Room)

- Wide range of subject-related books across all disciplines.
- Open Access available for browsing and borrowing.

4. Book Bank Section

- Special facility for economically weaker students.
- Books issued for full semester under Book Bank Scheme.

5. Reading Room

- Spacious, quiet area with seating for students and staff.
- Equipped for both general and reference reading.

6. Periodicals Section

- National and international journals, magazines, and newsletters.
- Useful for current updates and subject-specific research.

7. Newspaper Section

- Multiple language newspapers available daily.
- Helps improve general awareness and language skills.

8. Digital Library / E-Resources Section

- Access to N-LIST, e-journals, e-books, and online databases.
- Internet/Wi-Fi enabled computers for research and reference.

9. Reprography Section

- Photocopy and printing facility for library materials (if available).
- Helps students get copies of important documents/pages.

10. Archives / Institutional Repository

- Collection of previous question papers, project reports, college publications, etc.
- Useful for reference and documentation.

11. Processing Section

- Books are catalogued, bar-coded, and labeled here before being placed on shelves.
- Not open to students.

12. Librarian's Cabin / Admin Section

- Administrative and supervision area for library staff.
- Used for consultations, planning, and record-keeping.

❖ Competitive Exam Section

The Competitive Exam Section of the library is specially developed to support students preparing for various state and national-level competitive examinations.

□ Purpose:

To provide focused resources and study material to students appearing for exams such as:

- MPSC, UPSC
- Banking (IBPS, SBI)
- Staff Selection Commission (SSC)
- Railway Recruitment Board (RRB)
- NET/SET
- Police / Army Recruitment
- Other Government / Civil Services Exams

□ Resources Available:

- General Knowledge & Current Affairs books
- Previous years' question papers
- Exam guides and solved papers (Arihant, Kiran, etc.)
- Books on Reasoning, Quantitative Aptitude, English, Marathi, and General Studies
- Employment News & Rojgar Samachar
- Competitive magazines (e.g., Lokrajya, Success Mirror, Competition Success Review)

❖ Braille / Special Needs Section

□ Resources Available:

- Braille books and tactile material (Marathi/English – as available)
- Audio books and educational CDs/DVDs

□ Facilities Provided:

- Comfortable seating and accessible desks
- Library staff assistance for navigating resources
- Extended time for use of resources (if required)

□ Supportive Services:

- Orientation sessions for differently-abled users
- Help with accessing online e-resources in accessible formats

❖ Rare Books Section

☐ Dr. Vilas Adinath Sangave Collection

Renowned sociologist and scholar of Jainism, Dr. Vilas Sangave's personal collection includes:

- Books on Jain sociology, ethics, religion, and culture
- Rare first editions and annotated volumes
- Important works like:
 - Jaina Community: A Social Survey
 - Facets of Jainology
 - Jain Society and Culture

These are preserved for academic reference and research purposes.

☐ Jainism Books Collection

A unique and rich assortment of books focused on Jain philosophy, history, and literature:

- Canonical texts, Tirthankara Charitras
- Jain art and iconography
- Biographies of Jain Acharyas and scholars
- Religious scriptures and ethical treatises
- Historical documents on Jainism in Maharashtra and India