



MAHATMA GANDHI INSTITUTE OF MEDICAL SCIENCES, SEVAGRAM

DR APJ ABDUL KALAM LIBRARY



The Mahatma Gandhi Institute of Medical Sciences Central Library at Sevagram, Wardha came into being after the establishment of the college in 1970. Since 1992, the library has been identified as a resource library in Western India within HELLIS Network.



On 24th July 2018, Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam Library was inaugurated in the new premises. The state-of-the-art library is spread across 16000 square feet, the library features a waiting area, lounge chairs, sofas and cushioned tiered reading spaces for 225 undergraduate students, 100 postgraduate students and 75 faculty.

In addition to 50,000 journals and books, the library also hosts an audio-visual room, a group discussion room, a 50-seater computer section, reprography area, areas for study, secure archival storage for books, theses and journals and a cafeteria. It also provides enough lockers for students to preserve their belongings.



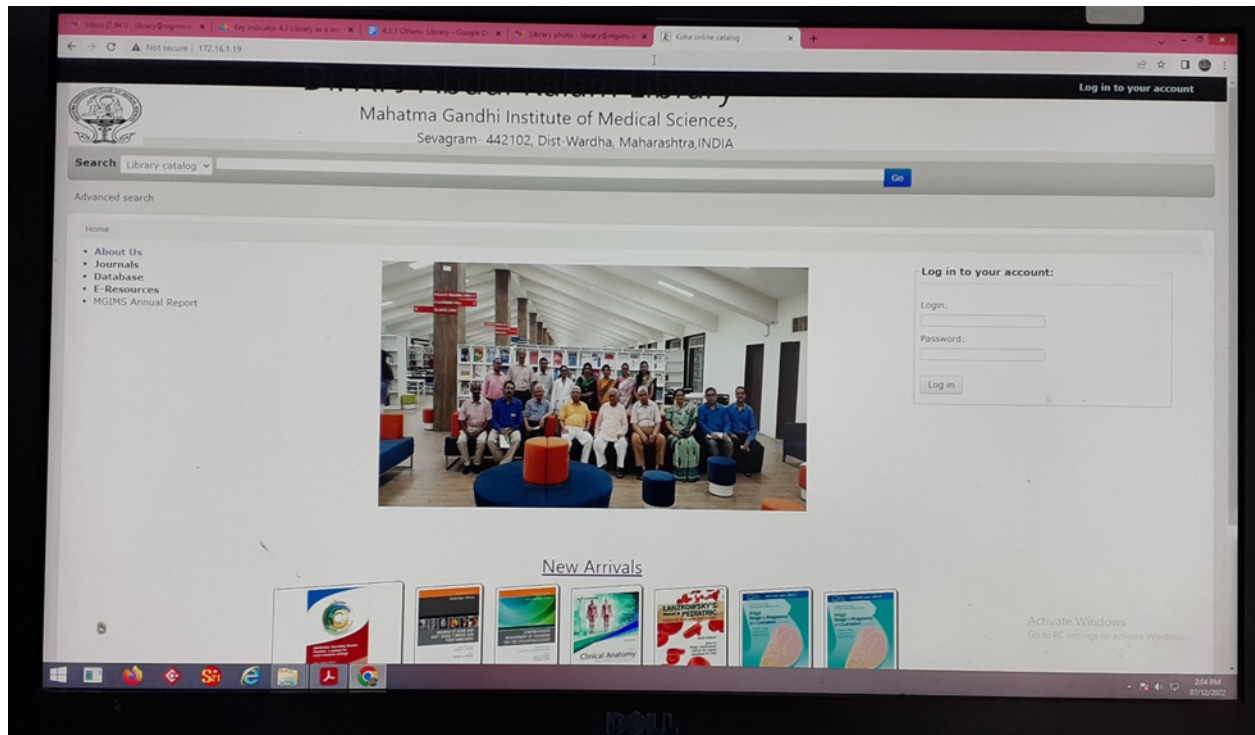


AUTOMATION IN LIBRARY

The entire area is wi-fi enabled and has an electronic RFID System that would identify, track, sort, and detect library books and journals and would offer self-check-ins and checkouts.



From 2004, the library started automation by software SLIM 21 and from 2019 we migrated our previous library data from SLIM 21 library Management system to KOHA Internet base Integrated Library Management System with RFID system through HIS with includes Acquisition, Cataloging, Circulation, Serial Control & Online Public Access Catalog and many more advanced features. Koha supports technologies and international standards such as MARC 21, RFID, z39.50, web 2.0 etc. The software is fully customizable and includes all modules expected in any standard library management system. Implementation of Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) used in libraries for managing the automated library and also for theft detection. MGIMS library has enabled exceptional improvement like automated issue return, security of library materials, inventory control etc.



KOHA-OPAC: Online Public Access Catalogue

Self-Circulation Kiosk: This component of an RFID system is used for the self-issue /return, renewal of the books. It is connected with the ILMS and server. A printer is also attached with it where the user can take a slip of his/her circulation status and can also get their own details as due date & fine with this Kiosk. Self-check in and issue return is possible. At present we have received 519 Smart Cards for book circulations of faculty, postgraduates, undergraduates and we are extending our library automated services through Kiosk. The entire campus is fully wifi and all users (faculty, postgraduates & undergraduates) can access the library on their mobile or devices. The library is fully digital.

Name and features of the ILMS software

Koha is the Open Source Integrated Library Management System (ILMS) which includes Acquisition, Cataloging, Circulation, Serial Control & Online Public Access Catalog

- Nature and extent of automation: Fully automated
- Year of commencement and completion of automation: Since 2019 - 2020