ALL INDIA INSTITUTE OF SPEECH AND HEARING

**LIBRARY AND INFORMATION CENTRE**

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Sub: Revised Departmental Brochure-Furnishing Information-reg.

Submitted to the Director.

With reference to the above, please find enclosed the revised material pertaining to the Library and Information Centre.

Library and Information Officer

**Library and Information Centre**

The Library and Information Centre (LIC) of the institute is the foremost learning resource centre pertaining to communication disorders in the country. It is enriched with one of the world’s best collection of speech and hearing information sources. Founded along with the institute in the year 1965, the LIC is housed in a three-storey building of 26, 000 sq.ft. With its outstanding collection of information resources, traditional and technology based information services, comfortable and large learning space, and a team of dedicated professional staff the LIC has been catering to the information needs of students, researchers, teachers and practitioners of speech and hearing and allied areas in the institute as well as those across the nation. It is a member of national level information service projects such as National Library and Information Services Infrastructure for Scholarly Content (N-LIST) by the Information and Library Network, University Grants Commission, New Delhi and Educational Resources in Medicine (ERMED), Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India, New Delhi.

**Objective**

The major objective of the LIC is to support and enhance teaching, learning, research and clinical activities of the institute by making available the right information at the right time.

**Information Resources**

The LIC holds a variety of information sources on communication disorders both in traditional print and electronic formats.

**Traditional Information Resources:** The traditional information resources are of the following types.

1. Bound Volumes of Journals
2. Magazines and Newspapers
3. Print Books
4. Print Journals
5. Theses and Dissertations

**Electronic Information Resources:** The electronic information resources are of the following types.

1. CD/DVD-ROMs
2. Digital Repository
3. E-books
4. E-journals
5. Online Databases

**Information Services**

The LIC provides both traditional and electronic information services to the user community. The major traditional information services provided are:

1. Book Lending Service
2. Current Awareness Service
3. Reference Service
4. Reprographic Service

The LIC offers a host of electronic services over its web portal at [www.aiish.ac.in](http://www.aiish.ac.in). These include:

1. Access to the subscribed and freely available e-Journals, e-books and online databases
2. Book CD-ROM Service.
3. Digital Research Repository Service
4. Educational Resources in Medicine (ERMED) Service
5. National Library and Information Services Infrastructure for Scholarly Content (N-LIST)
6. Online News Clipping Service
7. Plagiarism Checking Service

The Library and Information Centre adds value to its physical and electronic collection through a wide array of evolving services and tools to help the staff and students to access, locate and use the right information resources at the right time. These include:

1. Online Book Reservation Service
2. Online Public Access Catalogue (OPAC)
3. Open Source Software based E-book Searching
4. Personalised Reference Consultations
5. Remote Access to the Subscribed Electronic Resources
6. User Orientation Programmes
7. Web Portal based User Manuals on Traditional and Electronic Resources

**Infrastructure Facilities**

The major infrastructure facilities of the Library and Information Centre include the following.

1. Digital Library System
2. Internet Centre with a connection speed of 32 mbps
3. Integrated Library Management System
4. Intranet Facility
5. Language Laboratory
6. Spacious Reading halls
7. Virtual Private Network
8. Web Portal

**Major Milestones**

1968-69

* Received more than 3000 speech and hearing books and learning resources from the Wendell Johnson Speech and Hearing Center, University of Iowa, USA, as gift.

1976-77

* Launched Card Catalogue and Kardex based periodical control

1978-79

* Completed Classified Indexing of the whole collection.

2001-02

* The LIC was shifted to a new multi-storey building.
* Internet Centre was launched

2003-04

* The LIC was upgraded to Category III based on the the recommendation of the expert committee constituted by the Ministry of H&FW, Govt.of India.

2004-05

* Automation work completed using LIBRIS software.
* Online Public Access Catalogue was launched.

2008-09

* Started providing ERMED service of the Ministry of H&FW, Govt. of India to access more than 2500 national and international journals on medicine and allied health.

2009-10

* The LIC web portal and digital repository was launched and started providing free access to the institute digital repository over the web.

2010-11

* Started procuring e-books and online databases.
* Automated the entire in-house activities using ‘Book Magic’ an integrated library management system.

2011-12

* Organized the information resources using Dewey Decimal Classification, 23rd Ed.
* Extended the electronic information services to the 11 DHLS centres of the institute spread across the country by launching Virtual Private Network (VPN).

2012-13

* Started providing the National Library and Information Services Infrastructure for Scholarly Content (N-LIST) service of UGC-INFLIBNET.

**Research Activity under Progress**

* Design and Development of Prototypes for Electronic Publishing of Institute Journals

**Research Projects and Infrastructure Development Planned**

* Research project on assessment of information literacy skills of speech and hearing community
* Research project on design and development of national digital repository on communication disorders
* Implementation of electromagnetic security and CCTV surveillance system (Already Proposed)
* Up-gradation of Internet centre to a high-tech learning centre

**Staff Details**

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**Library Advisory Committee**

The Library Advisory Committee is a fourteen member advisory body responsible for formulating collection development policies and recommending the information resources to be procured for the LIC. The committee is constituted of a Senior Professor as the Chairperson, five faculty/staff members and seven students as members, and the Library and Information Officer as the Member Secretary.

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