ALL INDIA INSTITUTE OF SPEECH AND HEARING, MYSORE-06

**LIBRARY AND INFORMATION CENTRE**

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Submitted to the Director.

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With reference to the above, the additional information sought regarding the library and information centre is furnished herewith. A soft copy of the same has been sent to naacsc.aiish@gmail.com.

 Library and Information Officer

**LIBRAY AND INFORMATION CENTRE**

4.3.1 Does the library have a Library Advisory Committee? What are its major responsibilities?

 Yes. The primary role of the committee is to formulate policies regarding the Library and Information Centre on matters pertaining to information sources and services. The committee consists of chairperson, member secretary and members. The chairperson and members are nominated by the Director from among faculty and staff. Library and Information Officer is the member secretary of the committee.

4.3.3 What are the various support facilities available in the library? (Computers, internet, bandwidth, reprographic facilities etc).

 The library is equipped with 44 computers with Internet access. The Internet bandwidth is 16mbps.In addition, we have reprographic facility, online public access catalogue, traditional print catalogue, spacious reading rooms and digital library.

4.3.4 How does the library ensure purchase and use of current titles, important journals and other reading materials? Specify the amount spent on new books and journals during the last five years.

 The library is procuring the important and current information resources by (i) receiving suggestions from the faculty, (ii) closely watching publishers in field of Communication Disorders for new information products by frequently visiting their website, reading catalogues and keeping in touch with the representatives of publishers and book sellers.

 The amount spent on books and journals for the last 5 years are given below.

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| Particulars | 2006-07 | 2007-08 | 2008-09 | 2009-10 | 2010-11 | 20111-12 |
| Books and Journals | 43.14 | 27.71 | 29.89 | 27.30 | 41.44 | 86.25 |

4.3.5 Give details on the access of the online and internet services in the library to the students and faculty (hours, frequency of use, subscriptions, licensed software etc.)

 The Internet and other electronic services of the library are available from 8.30 AM to 8 P.M on all working days and from 9 A.M to 5 P.M on Saturdays. The online resources can also be accessed 24 hours through the networked computers inside the campus. The subscribed online resources include 138 E-books, 88 electronic and 27 print journals. In addition, we have an online archive of 24 journals and 2 bibliographic databases pertaining to communication disorders. The library is also providing full-text access to more than 1000 in-house research reports in the field. On an average, 200 students and 50 staff members use the Internet and other electronic information services, daily.

 The licensed softwares used in the library are (i) ‘Book Magic’ an Integrated Libray Management System, designed by M/s Meshi Logic,(ii) ‘Equest’ Digital Library Software, developed by Total IT Solutions,Pune.

4.3.7 Does institution make use of INFLIBNET / DELNET /IUC facilities? If yes, give details.

 The institute is a member of Electronic Resources in Medicine (ERMED) Consortium, an initiative taken by Director General of Heath Services (DGHS), Government of India, to develop nationwide electronic information resources in the field of medicine for delivering effective health care for all. Through ERMED, we are getting access to more than 1600 medical and allied health electronic journals.

4.3.9 Does the library have interlibrary borrowing facility? If yes, give details of the facility.

 Yes. The interlibrary borrowing facility is made available to other educational institutions in the region, upon request.

4.3.11 List the infrastructural development of the library over the last two years.

 (i) Complete automation of library activities, (ii) Installation of more computers with internet facility, (iii) Expansion of reading facility, (iv) Digitization of the in-house research reports of the institute using the software ‘Equest’ and making them freely available on the library and information centre web portal at [www.aiish.ac.in](http://www.aiish.ac.in). So far, nearly one lakh pages of reports which include PhD theses, departmental projects, independent projects and post graduate dissertations have been digitized and made available.

4.3.13 If the library has an archives section, to what extent is it used by the readers and researchers?

 The library is having both print and online archives of journals pertaining to communication disorders. On an average, 50 users per day are referring the archive collection.