Minutes of the 3rd meeting of the 12th Library Committee

Date:	3 rd May, 2018	
Time:	3:00 PM	
Venue :	Conference Hall, Goa University, Taleigao Plateau, Goa	£

A list of the members who attended the meeting of the Library Committee and those who sought leave of absence is appended.

The Chairman welcomed the members to the third meeting of the 12th Library Committee of the Goa University Library and instructed the Member Secretary to proceed with the agenda.

Thereafter the agenda was taken up for discussion.

1	DISCUSSION ITEMS
A. 1.	CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES
A.1.1	Confirmation of the minutes of the meeting held on 27th September, 2017
	The minutes of the Library committee meeting held on 27 th September, 2017 was confirmed by the members after discussion.
A. 2.	ACTION TAKEN REPORT
A.2.1	Approval of Action taken report
	Librarian presented the action taken report on the decisions of the previous Library committee meeting. Action Report was confirmed by the committee after discussions.
	A detailed presentation was made on the proposed Learning Commons project to be established in the library. After discussion it was decided to constitute a committee to look into the feasibility of the project as a huge expenditure is projected. (Action : Librarian)
A.3	Statement of Expenditure on books and journals for the year 2017-2018
	University Librarian presented the expenditure statement for the year 2017- 2018 for books and journals. There were queries from members regarding various items and were clarified in the meeting. It was decided to inform the concerned Heads of the Departments, the details of the procurement of books recommended by them, from this financial year onwards. It was also decided to route the files of all purchases through Heads of the Departments. There was an instruction from the Finance Office to get purchase approvals for every purchase. It was decided to adhere to this instruction of the Finance Office. Registrar suggested that the facilities in the UMS could be utilized. (Action : Librarian)

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A.4.	Allocation of funds for books and journals for the year 2018 -2019
	The allocation as per the formula suggested by the committee lead by Prof. Sudarsan was presented in the meeting. The allocation made for books was unanimously accepted by the members. There was serious discussion on the usage of print journals. As per majority opinion the utility of the journals was very minimum. University Librarian also opined that considering the cost involved, the utility is very less in the case of print journals. Vice Chancellor suggested that the subscription to print journals need to be discontinued if utility is minimal.
	However considering the non-availability of on-line journals in Indian languages and the non-availability of on-line surrogates for journals published from India, it was decided to utilize only Rs.10 lakhs for print journals.
A.5.	Proposal e-Resources Consortium
	University Librarian presented the proposal of consortia for getting access to e-resources for the academic community of Goa University and its affiliated colleges. The uncertainty created through the total stoppage of access to e-resources through e-shodhsindhu consortium has seriously affected the research activities of the University. Vice Chancellor opined that the proposal is very innovative and has already been approved by the Academic Council of the University. Once it is approved by the Library Committee the proposal will be placed before the Executive Council of the University after having discussions with the Principals of affiliated colleges. Dr . Nandkumar kamat suggested that the proposal should be considered as a Start-Up initiative so that, even the Government of Goa can supplement the establishment of the consortia. Dr. Nandakumar Kamat suggested that the proposition of voluntary contribution by faculty members be converted as mandatory payment just like any other users.
A.6.	Charges for using scanner in the library
	There were requests from faculty members for using the book scanner in the library. Members suggested that we have to consider the copyright aspects as the digital copy will have signature of the University in the metadata of the PDF file. Scanning could be allowed of materials where copyright infringement is not involved. Rates for scanning was not decided by the committee.

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A.7.	Any other matter
	Dr., Nandkumar Kamat requested that the University Library should conduct an exhibition of Gandhian Literature when the country celebrates 150 th birth anniversary of the father of the nation. It was resolved that a book exhibition will be conducted from 2 nd October, 2018 for one month.

The meeting ended at 5.00 p.m. with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

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