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(NAAC Accredited 'A' Grade)

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Library and Resource Centre

Library is automated using Integrated Library Management system (ILMS) and has digitization facility AY 2023-24

The University's Library and Resource centre (LARC) had initiated the process of library automation in **2001** by installing **SOUL Software** (Software of University Libraries) developed by INFLIBNET Centre of UGC covering all operations of the Library that includes acquisition, technical processing, circulation and serial control. Currently Library is using **SOUL 2.0** version of the software for Acquisition, Cataloging, online public Access Catalog (OPAC) and Circulation

Apart from Library automation other services provided by the library are:

Inter Library Loan through DELNET

University acquired membership of DELNET (Developing Library Network) facilities in the university

For offering inter-Library loan & Document Delivery Services to its member libraries.

E- Resources for Campus & Remote Access

YCMOU Library currently provides access to over 1700 e- journals and 2,05,000 e- books through own subscription as well as access through INFLIBNET's ESS Consortium.. All these resources can be accessed 24x7 both inside the campus and anywhere through remote access password. In all 320 Ph.D. theses have been uploaded on Shodhganga portal as on today.

Anti- Plagiarism Software (URKUND/OURIGINAL)

OURIGINAL is an automatic text-recognition system made for detecting, preventing and handling plagiarism. Library has been provided access to this tool by the UGC's INFLIBNET Center. Teachers have been provided access OURIGINAL so that they can check their papers and student's thesis using the system. Library also organizes periodic training sessions for students and researchers about how to use the system. All Ph.D. theses need OURIGINAL Report by the Library before its submission to the Research Unit. Over 10 Ph.D.theses and 13 Research papers have been processed through OURIGINAL software.

The Software of University Libraries (SOUL) 2.0 version offers following major advantages:

- Compliant to international standards such as MARC 21, AACR-2, MARCXML.
- Support Unicode character sets
- Client server based architecture, user friendly interface.
- It supports multi platform for bibliographic database such as MYSQL, MS-SQL or any other RDBMS.
- Supports cataloging of electronic resources such as e- journal, e-books, virtually any type of material.
- Supports online copy cataloging from MARC21 bibliographic database.
- It provides default templates for data entry of different type of documents.
- Provides freedom to users for generating reports of their choice and format along with template and query parameters.
- Provide facility to send report through email, allows users to save the reports in various such as PDF, Excel, MARC, XML etc.
- OPAC users can export their search result in to PDF, MS Excel and MARCXML format.
- Support authority files of personal name and corporate body.
- Provides simple budgeting system and single windows operations all major circulation function.

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