



4.1.1: Facilities at Institutional Head Quarter, Regional Centers and Learner Support Centers

The University has adequate infrastructure at the headquarters and Regional Centers (RCs) across the State of Maharashtra. Selected Higher Education Institutions act as YCMOU's Learner Support Centers (LSCs) whose infrastructure and services are utilized by the university on sharing of resources on payment basis. These LSCs are monitored and managed by the university through 8 Regional Centers located at various district places in Maharashtra.

The Headquarters of the University is situated in a sprawling campus of 147.60 acres land at the outskirts of Nashik Municipal Corporation and houses the University's School of Studies, Divisions, Centers, Sections, Cells, Units, Krishi Vigyan Kendra and other facilities as given below:

1. There are 16 major buildings on the campus with total carpet area of 36263 square meters catering to the all services required for the University operation from the head quarter.
2. Administrative block with carpet area of 4117 square meters houses office of the Vice Chancellor, the Registrar, the Finance Officer, the Director, Student Services Division, Executive Engineer, Computer Center and the Central Bank of India.
3. Academic block with carpet area of 4312 square meters houses academic division containing 8 academic schools, Academic Services Division, Science Laboratories, Conference / Seminar hall.
4. Examination Building with carpet area of 4156 square meters houses the office of the Controller of Examination, Pre-CAP hall, Scanning facilities, meeting hall, assessment & evaluation hall and office of the Director Evaluation division.
5. Library and Resource Center (LARC) building with carpet area of 4431 square meters houses the office of the deputy Librarian, Reading Room, Class Rooms, Computer Lab with 35 Computers, Books and journals staking rooms for 54644 printed books, 52 periodicals, 3366 CDs, 296 Audio cassette, 251 video cassettes, 441 Ph. D. Theses (308 uploaded on INFLIBNET ETD Portal Shodhganga) and 4649 M. Phil. dissertations. The University has acquired the institutional membership of the DELNET. In addition to it, University has access to resources of National Digital Library of India (NDL), e-Shodhsindhu and Shodhganga. All rooms in Library Block have WiFi connectivity, computers and peripherals.
6. Audio-Video Center (AVC) building with carpet area of 3261 square meters exclusively allotted for Audio and video shooting and production. AVC building have state of an art facilities for audio-video production includes Audio studio, video studio, Sound and light system, non-linear editing set up and web radio for program transmission.
7. Yash Inn International Convention Center building with carpet area of 7267 square meters with 96 air conditioned rooms for guest, presidential suit, cafeteria, conference hall and gymnasium.
8. KrishiVigyan Kendra building with carpet area of 1408 square meters houses the office of the Program Coordinator and Subject Matter Specialists, 2 Conference hall, 4 Lecture halls, 2 meeting rooms, Soil Testing laboratory, Bio-fertilizer and Bio-pesticide production unit.
9. **Horticulture Production and Training Farm:** KrishiVigyan Kendra of the university has developed horticulture farm on 100 acres of university land which comprises of 70 acre horticulture

plantation and plant propagation nursery and 35 acres of agro-forestry and medicinal plantation. 70 acres of horticulture plantation includes 31 acre Coconut, 12 acre Mango, 5 acre Jamun, 3 acres of Sapota, 2.5 acres each of Guava, Aonla, Cashewnut and Tamarind, 2 acres each of Grape, Litchi and Coffee, 1 acre each of Custard apple and Avocado and 5 acre horticulture Nursery including 1 acres poly houses for flower cultivation. 10 acre area covered under bunds, landscaping, roads, buildings and demonstration units on the farm.

There are 9520 fruit trees of 17 different types and 65598 forest trees, avenue trees and ornamental trees of 29 different types are standing on the university campus. Thus more than 75118 plants and trees are standing upright on the campus creating one of the green campus university and bio-diversity hotspot in the city of Nashik. *(Data sheet of bio-diversity plantation on the university campus is attached in additional information)*

10. Yashwantrao Chavan Memorial is established by the University on carpet area of 200 square meters depicting the life and work of Hon. Yashwantrao Chavan, the father of Agro-industrial Revolution and first Chief Minister of Maharashtra for the inspiration to new generation.
11. In addition to above buildings, university has Pre-IAS Training Center established on carpet area of 490 square meter, university guest house with carpet area of 1150 square meter and Godavari Farmers Hostel with carpet area of 637 square meters as a special facility for rural and tribal farmers.
12. All the buildings and blocks are connected by Local Area Network (LAN) for just in time connectivity and communication. There are 826 active and working computers at head quarter and Regional Centers with 1 GBPS band width connectivity distributed to 1362 nodes with a firewall (XG330 Rev 2.0) to safeguard from unauthorized entry of strangers.
13. The office of the Vice Chancellor is equipped with board room and conference room for holding meetings / conferences and waiting room for the visitors. The VC office is fitted with CCTV cameras and has internet / intranet connectivity. The Board Room and Conference Room are well equipped.
14. Well-equipped Laboratories with glass wares and chemicals, instruments and appliances for Agricultural sciences, biological sciences and computer sciences are functional at the headquarters.
15. The Auditorium of the University can accommodate 190 people with a Control room, Display area, Seminar rooms, office rooms and common washrooms.
16. There are two big sized Warehouses admeasuring carpet area of 1630 Square meters for stocking approximately 27 lakh Number of printed books and study material and loading and unloading facilities.
17. To handle the huge financial transactions, the University has a dedicated branch of Central Bank of India at its Headquarters and dedicated accounts for all its Regional Centers. The headquarters also have a dedicated Post office to handle the dispatch of annually more than 50 lakh books to its learners annually.
18. The University campus has residential quarter for the Vice Chancellor, Registrar and flat lets for essential services staff of the university as well as Health Center and walkways and playgrounds.

The total area of permanent institutional buildings is 36263 square meters and residential buildings and facilities is 1387 square meter. The total ground coverage of the buildings is approximately 9.41 acres.

Infrastructure Facilities at Regional Centers:

The University has 8 Regional Centers (RCs) in Maharashtra. The 3 RCs at Amaravati, Aurangabad and Nanded are housed in our own building constructed by the University while remaining 5 RCs are housed in rented premises or building shared by the regional universities and local Municipal

Administration.

Each RC has rooms for the Regional Director, administrative staff, store rooms, seminar room, Helpdesk for students, a library room with books, SLM, audio / video CDs etc. As YCMOU extensively uses ICT for student support services, the RCs are equipped with audio-video electronic equipment, internet and web conferencing facilities, computers and printers and other office equipment.

Infrastructure Facilities at Learner Support Centers (LSCs):

LSCs established at selected higher education institutions in Maharashtra through an MOU, are the first point of contact with the learners. The minimum infrastructure of LSCs consists of:

- 3-6 well furnished Classrooms, laboratories, farm and workshop;
- 2-3 rooms for office of the Center with covered area of minimum 400 - 600 square feet.
- Library and reading room and store room for storing books and learning materials.

The University shares the infrastructure of the host institution and pays for hiring of staff, maintenance of infrastructure and use of facilities like class rooms, electricity and water.




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