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Collection Development & Services in AICTE College Libraries: Case Study of AICTE Colleges in Shekhawati Region, Rajasthan

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Abstract: Collection Development refers to the process of systematically building library collections. It is a broader term; it encompasses users need, collection development policy, selection, acquisition, management-evaluation, weeding, storage and preservation of collection. The selected Library for the study has a written CD policy, library committee is involving selection and acquires collection every year and preserving them in conventional way. The library organizing its collection by using DDC classification and a data base of library books/periodical was created using Easily library software. The study found that collections in terms of titles of books, total number volumes along with subscription of national and International journals are satisfactory as per AICTE norms. The study suggested that an ICT centre will be established, subscribing all AICTE proposed e resources along with other e journals and e books on AICTE on behalf of all private AICTE colleges and access be given to them, as this center would save huge amount of money and would help all colleges to cut their huge expenditure on subscription of e – resources. The center would provide 24*7 wide varieties of online databases and e-journals with least cost to their clientele without wasting their time at one click

Keywords: Collection Development (CD), AICTE colleges, Shekhawati Region, Problems of CD

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