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DES SNFLC Library Report – 2025-26

“A law library is not merely a repository of books, but a living laboratory where justice is studied, interpreted, and shaped.”

Introduction

The Library serves as the intellectual and research hub of the institution, supporting academic excellence, legal research, and professional development. The year 2025–26 focused on digital transformation, inclusive access, and research-oriented services aligned with NAAC and NIRF.

Library Collection and Resources

- **Total Collection:** The library houses over 18,500 books, reflecting continuous efforts to expand and update academic and research resources.
- **Types of Resources:** The collection includes textbooks, reference materials, bare acts, law reports, journals, and research publications to support comprehensive legal education.
- **Special Collections:** Dedicated resources are available for competitive examinations and research work, catering to the advanced academic and career needs of students.

E-Resources and Digital Library

- **Subscribed Databases:** The library provides access to leading legal databases such as AIR Online, SCC Online, Manupatra, EBC Reader, Lexis Nexis, Hein Online etc. enabling users to conduct in-depth and up-to-date legal research.
- **Consortium Access:** Membership in DELNET enhances access to a vast range of national and international academic resources.
- **Remote Access Facility:** The MapMyAccess system allows users to access digital resources anytime and from any location, ensuring uninterrupted learning.

ICT Integration and Automation

- **OPAC Facility:** The Online Public Access Catalogue enables users to easily search and locate library resources.
- **Barcode System:** The barcode-based circulation system ensures efficient and accurate issue and return of books.
- **Wi-Fi Enabled Library:** The library provides internet connectivity to facilitate seamless access to digital resources.
- **Computer Lab:** A dedicated computer lab supports digital research, database access, and academic activities.

Library Services

- **Open Access System:** Users can freely browse and access library materials, promoting independent learning.
- **Research Assistance:** The library offers guidance and support for academic and legal research activities.
- **CAS & SDI Services:** Current Awareness and Selective Dissemination services keep users informed about the latest developments and resources.
- **Extended Hours:** Library timings are extended during examinations to support students' study requirements.

Best Practices

- **Best Library User Award:** This initiative encourages students to actively utilize library resources and develop reading habits.
- **User Orientation Programmes:** Regular sessions are conducted to familiarize users with library services and databases.
- **Digital Resource Awareness:** Efforts are made to promote effective use of e-resources among students and faculty.

Inclusive Library Initiatives

- The library is taking progressive steps to create an accessible environment and provide inclusive services for Persons with Disabilities, ensuring equitable access to knowledge.

Events and Activities

- **National Librarian's Day:**

Date: 12th August 2025

Venue: Library, DES Shri Navalmal Firodia Law College

National Librarian's Day was observed on 12th August 2025, the occasion was marked to honour the invaluable contributions of Dr. S.R. Ranganathan and to promote awareness about the significance of libraries. A Book Exhibition was organised for students and faculty, providing them an opportunity to recommend titles for the library's collection. Several reputed book vendors from Pune and Mumbai participated, showcasing a diverse range of publications. The event also featured the presentation of the Best Library User Award in recognition of exemplary library usage.



- **Vachan Prerana Diwas**

Date: 15th October 2025

Venue: Library, DES Shri Navalmal Firodia Law College

- Vachan Prerana Diwas was observed on 15th October 2025 at DES SNFLC Library to mark the birth anniversary of A. P. J. Abdul Kalam and promote reading habits among students.
- The programme included reflections by students on the importance of reading, followed by an interactive “Letter to Kalam” activity where participants shared their inspirations, dreams, and favorite books. Selected students presented their letters during the event.
- Participants were felicitated with books, and a “Mind Map Creating Competition” was announced to encourage deeper engagement with reading.

- The event concluded by reiterating Dr. Kalam's vision of learning as a pathway to creativity, knowledge, and greatness.



- **Savitribai Phule Jayanti Celebration**

Date: 3rd January 2026

Venue: Library, DES Shri Navalmal Firodia Law College

The birth anniversary of Savitribai Phule was observed in the college library to honor her contribution to education and social reform. The programme included a brief introduction to her life and ideals, followed by a **book display** on women's empowerment and social reform.

Students and faculty actively participated, making the event meaningful and inspiring. The celebration highlighted the importance of education as a tool for empowerment and social change.



- **Research Workshops:** Training programmes are conducted to enhance research and database usage skills.

Research Support

- The library actively supports research activities by assisting in publication processes, citation management, and maintaining researcher profiles such as Scopus and Google Scholar.

Future Plans

- **RFID Implementation:** Plans are in place to introduce RFID technology for improved library automation and security.
- **Institutional Repository:** Development of a digital repository is proposed to archive and showcase institutional research output.
- **Enhanced Digital Resources:** Efforts will continue to expand e-resource subscriptions to meet evolving academic needs.

Conclusion

The library continues to evolve as a technology-enabled, user-focused learning centre.