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Library as a Learning Resource

A brief overview of K. K. Handiqui Library, Gauhati University

Established in 1948, the Krishna Kanta Handiqui Library (KKHL) was founded to address the academic needs of students, teachers, and research scholars of the University. It not only supports the University's classroom instructional programs but also broadens the horizon of knowledge relevant to diverse research and higher education programs conducted by the University and its affiliates. As a crucial component in upholding the University's mission to establish high standards of excellence, the KKH Library plays a major role in preserving, conserving, and disseminating knowledge. It serves as an effective instrument in the process of development and upliftment for the state of Assam and the entire country by faithfully and comprehensively passing on the literary, cultural, scientific, and technological experiences of mankind accumulated over the millennia. This ensures the continuity and advancement of human civilization.

Right from its initial stage in 1948, the library started functioning in Chandmari (now known as the old University Colony) and then shifted to Room No.1 of the Arts Building, Gauhati University and accommodated itself in the present building in 1962. In 1982, the University Library was renamed the K. K. Handiqui Library in honor of its first Vice Chancellor, K. K. Handiqui, an Orientalist of world fame.

Total Building area	7545 Sq. Metre
Seating capacity	387 Numbers
Wi-Fi	The entire KKH Library campus is Wi-Fi enabled
Books	282701
Bound Periodicals	35995
Theses	6268
Online Journals	Science Direct portal inclusive of 10 major subjects, Cambridge University Press and SCOPUS database
Dissertation	7801
Manuscript	4500
KKH Collection	7593 in 11 languages
Digitized Manuscript	150000 pages
Printed Journals/Magazine	14
Popular Journal/magazines	13
e-journal	7036 through ess
Subscribed e-journals by KKHL, GU	1807 (package)
e-books	nil
Newspapers (printed) both Regional and National	16
References inclusive of Encyclopaedia, dictionaries etc.	1340
Rare books	785

Total Staff Strength	37
Librarian	Dr. Prasanta Kumar Deka
Deputy Librarian	Dr. Gouri Sankar Karmakar
Assistant Librarians (3)	Mr. Nitya Nanda Pathak Dr. Alok Kumar Pathak Smt. Dipika Choudhury
Professional Staff (12)	1) Dipak Kr. Sarma (Library Professional Assistant) 2) Sewali Bhuyan(Library Professional Assistant)) 3) Dipti Devi (Library Professional Assistant) 4) Kripanjali Saikia (Library Professional Assistant) 5) Dilip Ch. Kalita (Library Professional Assistant)) 6) Manoj Kr. Talukdar (Library Professional Assistant) 7) Gayatri Saloi Das (Library Professional Assistant) 8) Dipika Saharia (Senior library Assistant) 9) Gagan Thakuria (Senior library Assistant) 10) Rouzanara Begum (Senior library Assistant) 11) Binu Goswami (Library assistant) 12) Konika Malakar (Library assistant)
Non-Professional Staff (28)	1) Dhanjit Talukdar (Archival Assistant) 2) Saifuddin Ahmed (Book Arranger) 3) Tarini Das(Book Arranger) 4) Ranjit Kumar (Peon) 5) Khairul Ali(Peon) 6) Hangshadhar Rajbongshi(Peon) 7) Rahim Ali (Darwan) 8) Gunu Kalita(Cleaner) 9) Bulu Talukdar(Cleaner) 10) Nur Begum(Cleaner) 11) Phulkan Bezbaruah(Peon) 12) Daisy Talukdar(Peon) (Fixed Pay) 13) Annalata Das(Cleaner) 14) Tarini Das(Peon) 15) Krishna Das(Darwan) 16) Khagen Kalita(Darwan) 17) Kishore Basfor (Sweeper) 18) Bhaskar Jyoti Kalita(Book Arranger) (Contractual) 19) Bhupen Das(Book Arranger)(Contractual) 20) Ersadur Rahman(Book Arranger)(Contractual) 21) Geeta Basfor (Sweeper) (Fixed Pay) 22) Raj Basfor (Sweeper)(Fixed Pay) 23) Swapna Das (Cleaner)(Fixed Pay)) 24) Zakir Hussain(Cleaner)(Fixed Pay)) 25) Shani Basfor (Sweeper) (Daily Wage) 26) Raju Basfor (Sweeper) (Daily Wage) 27) Kiran Basfor (Sweeper) (Daily Wage) 28) Tulshi Das (Cleaner) (Fixed Pay)

Library Services

- Classification Scheme used: DDC 22nd and 23rd edition
- OPAC Search
- Web-OPAC rendered via SOUL 3.0, OPAC through Campus LAN
- Remote Log in facility or off campus service via RemotlLog software
- Electronic Theses and Dissertations (ETD) through SHODHGANGA
- E-journal browsing through e-shodhsindhu (UGC-Infonet Programme: 7265 journals and Manupatra Portal and 5 databases: J-Gate Plus (JCCC), Mathscinet, Manupatra, Institute for Studies in Industrial Development: ISID
- Online Abstracting and Indexing Database: SCOPUS
- Manuscript reading service
- Internet and Computer services in the Internet Lab
- Wi-Fi facility in the Library
- Open Access
- DSPACE
- Reference Section
- Book lending Service or Circulation
- Newspaper Clippings Documentation
- Photocopy/ Xerox
- Reading space in almost every section besides the reading room
- Well maintained and hygiene wash room in every area
- Drinking water facility
- Canteen facility
- Eco-friendly garden both inside and outside the library building for a refreshing ambience.
- 76 computers
- Both virtual and offline membership
- 28 CCTV
- 8 LaserJet printers
- 2 Dot Matrix Printers
- SOUL 3.0 software
- ESSL software (employee attendance software)
- Library application record system

Library patrons/ users served:

Being an exclusively academic Library the Krishna Kanta Handiqui Library caters to the needs of the students, teachers, research scholars and post-doctoral scholars coming from the different academic disciplines including the Arts, Commerce and Management, Law, Medicine & Allied Health Science (LGBRIMH), Science, Technology.

A Glimpse at the various sections of the library:

The KKH Library constitutes of different sections which have their own respective roles.

Lobby area:

On directly entering the library one can find a lobby with nine seating capacity which is assisted by a newspaper reading stand and a bookshelf of the latest popular magazines and journals.

To the left-hand corner of the entrance room is the property counter with a capacity of 195 property stacks with numbered token:

Main Entrance of the Library	Property
Lobby	3 sets of aluminium chairs
Property Counter	195 property shelves
Library Attendance Desk/Attendance display monitor	1
Notice Board	2
Manual Attendance Register	1
CCTV	2
Newspaper Reading Stand	2

Current Periodical section:
Taking left from the main entrance is the Current Periodical section

Current Periodical Section	Property
Desktop Computer	1
Table for Employees	3
Almirah	3
Magazine Shelf	26
Open Rack Shelf	13
Reading table big size	6
Reading Table Small size	3
Chair	36
Assets (Magazines and Journals)	485

Processing Section, Office Room, Server Room, Photocopy Corner:
To the right-hand side of the main entrance down stairs is the Processing room, the Assistant Librarian's Room, the Deputy Librarian's Room and the Librarian's Room. The same corridor is also constituent of the Office Room, the Xerox and Photocopy Corner, the SOUL/Server room.

Processing Section	Property
Table	5
Computer Table	2
Chair	8
Book Shelves	2
Almirah	3
Book Shelves for Braille Collections	2
Small Book Rack	1

Office Room	Property
Table	2
Chair	4
Almirah	2

SOUL/ Server Room	Property
Windows Server (2012R2), UPS 7.5 kva	1 +1
DSpace server	1
Scanner (Book Drives Capture) Atiz Software	1

Server Desk	1
Small Table	1
Chair	1

Xerox/ Photocopy Corner (out sourcing)	Property
Xerox/Photocopy Machine	2
Computer	1
Scanner	1

K. K. Handiqui Collection:

Coming to the first floor of the old building of the library we come across the most prestigious section of the library and the university as well which is the K. K. Handiqui collection which consists of 7, 593 books in different languages donated by the university's founder Vice-Chancellor K. K. Handiqui.

K. K. Handiqui Collection	Property
Books	7, 593
Table	9
Chair	9
Almirahs	40

Reference Section I and II:

Adjacent to K. K. Handiqui collection in the same floor are the two other most important sections of the library which are the Reference Section I and the Reference section II.

Reference Section I	Property
Rack	44
Almirah	2
Optimizer	1
Table	11
Chair	21
Theses	6268
Dictionaries	722
Encyclopaedia	449
Almanac + Atlas	72 + 97

Reference Section II	Property
Rack	22
Almirah	68
Table	9
Chair	30
M.Phil. Dissertations	281
M.A. Dissertations	2539
Rare Books	785
Reference Books	1130
Others/Miscellaneous	53

Circulation Counter:

Coming downstairs, at the centre of the library building is the Circulation section also known as the Issue/Return counter which is accompanied by the Main Reading Room or the Central Reading Hall and the Stack Area which consists of all the text books and other related materials covering all the departments and the various academic disciplines of the University.

Circulation Counter/Issue-Return section	Property
UPS 7.5 Kvs	1
Chairs + table	4 +2
Machine (PC)	2
Bar Code Printer	2

Reading Room	Property
Table	16
Chair	76
Book Stacks	92

Manuscript Section:

From the Reading area we move straight to the Manuscript Section

Manuscript Section	Property
Table	5
Chair	17
Almirah	3
Book Shelf	8
Computer	1
Optimizer	1 (24 Almirah)
Dehumidifier Machine	1
Air Conditioner (AC)	2
Assets	4500

Bound Periodical Section:

Moving right from the Manuscript section is the new building of the library starting from the Bound Periodical Section which is located both in the ground floor and the second floor of the new building.

Bound Periodical Section	Property
stacks	18
Reading table	3
Staff table	2
Computer table	2
Extra	2
Chair for users	16
Chair for staff	6
Assets	35995

Internet lab:
Right next to the Bound Periodical section is the Internet lab.

Internet Lab	Property
Computer	56
Computer Cabinets	156
Chair	145

Archival Section:
Moving upstairs from the Internet lab towards the First Floor of the new building we come to the Archival section and the Collection of the Old Newspaper section. This floor is also accompanied by a reading corner also called round table reading corner.

Archival Section (Old Newspaper Section)	Property
Reading Chair	6
Reading Table	2
Paper Shelf	47
Medical Dissertations	3045
Others (year book and etc.)	750
Almirah	12

Round Table Reading Corner	Property
Table	3
Chair	14

Multi-volume Collection and Bhupen Hazarika Corner:
Moving upstairs to the second floor of the New Building we come to the Multivolume section and the Prestigious Bhupen Hazarika Corner.

Multi-volume Collection	Property
Reading Chair	15
Reading Table	7
Book Shelf	40
Staff Table	3
Staff Chair	3
Computer	2
Assets	11223

Bhupen Hazarika Corner	Property
Table	3
Chairs	3
Assets	366

Reading room facility

Sl. No.	Section	Number of Seats
1	Current Periodicals	36
2	Reading Room	75
3	Bound Periodicals	14
4	Multi-volume collection	19
5	Bhupen Hazarika Corner	3
6	Manuscript Section	16
7	Internet Lab	148
8	Archival Section	6
9	Open section New Building 1st Floor	14
10	Reference Section I	18
11	Reference Section II	20
12	K. K. Handiqui Collection	5
13	Open Front area	4
14	Lobby	9
Total		**387**

Details of Library Users:

Users (presently)	Number
Undergraduate/Integrated	680
Post-Graduate Students	2508
Teachers/Faculty	450
Research Scholars/Researchers	264
Users Temporary or One Year	162
Total	**4064**

Implementation of ILMS (Integrated Library Management System):
The process of automation in the KKH Library via the Integrated Library Management System (ILMS) was initiated way back with the execution of CDS/ISIS in the year 1995. It was in the year 2001 that the software SOUL 1.0 version began its first functioning in the premise of the KKHL. In 2009 SOUL 2.0 version was initiated under the direction of the INFLIBNET. Digitization accelerated during this period and has been in practice till 2021 with SOUL 3.0 finally being implemented in the year 2022. The entire library management system starting from the issue and return of books, library cataloguing, book binding, acquisition, processing and database of the users of the library, database of number of books and journals presently in the possession of the library, member status, OPAC, WEB OPAC search option, library application record system for users and the ESSL software for library employees' attendance and similar such activities are being monitored, controlled and functioned through the SOUL 3.0. Regarding online database, here is the overview in details:

Source	Site	Database
Indcat	https://indcat.inflibnet.ac.in/	139511
Institutional Repository via DSpace	http://10.10.114.8:8080/jspui	287
SHODHGANGA	https://shodhganga.inflibnet.ac.in/	6268
e-resources	www.ess.inflibnet.ac.in	7035
	www.cambridge.com	42
	www.elsevier.com	1765
ProQuest (PQDT)	Proquest.com	852524

Special Collections: In addition to the above highlighted assets that the library hoards, the KKHL is also blessed with certain special and rare collections that were either initially in possession by eminent intellectuals or have been donated by significant institutions and organizations of merit that have been placed in the library as special collections. An overview of this is highlighted below:

1: K. K. Handiqui Collection
The K. K. Handiqui Collection is one of the most prestigious assets of not only the library but the University as well blessed with 7,593 unique and rare collections of books in classics, literature, language, philology, Indology etc which happens to be the personal collection of Handiqui's own reading interest. The following list highlights the vast store of assemblages from different areas that the collection hoards:

Name of Divisions	Number of Books
Greek Language, Literature and Civilization	801
Italian Language and Literature	321
German Language and Literature History	575
French Language and Literature and History	343
Provincial Literature	12
Spanish Language and Literature	72
Spanish Grammar	16
Latin Language and Literature	165

Vedic Sanskrit	206
Sanskrit Language and Literature	1808
Buddhist Sanskrit	71
Pali and Buddhism	191
Prakrit Language and Literature	240
Jainism and Jaina Literature (Prakrit and Sanskrit)	187
Art and Painting	186
Archaeology	70
General Literature	430
Trees and Flowers of India	10
Auestan (Religion and Literature)	18
History General	495
Indian History	344
History (including history of Religion)	205
Religious sects of India	12
General Linguistics (including comparative philosophy)	30
Dictionaries	87
Russian Language and Literature	302
Journal	366
Catalogue	29

2 Dr Bhupen Hazarika Corner—366
3 Vivekananda Corner—124
4 Gandhi Collection—320
5 Dr Maheswar Neog Collection— 53
6 Aurobindo Corner—98
7 Nehru Corner—700
8 Women's Corner—665
9. North East Corner—191
10. UN Corner— 315
11. Thailand Corner—92
12. Mahatma Gandhi Collection— 320

In addition to these special collections, a handful of significant collections have been adjoined to the KKHL by eminent scholars and men of letters. KKHL has now as special collections the following:
13. Radhikamohan Bhagabati Collection— 2376
14. Jayadev Sarma Collection—319
15. Prof. Bhaben Barua Collection—4376
16. Jamini Phukan Collection—1508
17. Pandit Deendayal Upadhyay Collection—533

Library Extension Activity 2018-2023:

Time to time arrangement of Workshop and initiation on Manuscript preservation; conservation and reading have been conducted by the KKHL.

User Awareness programme on PDS_SHODHSUDDHI Anti-plagiarism software and its use for research and research ethics have been carried out by the KKHL every so often.

Various data spanning 2018-2023

Duration	Books (Printed)	Journals (Printed)	Thesis (Printed)	User Footfall	Remote Log user	Expenditure On books in Rs	Expenditure on Journals	Expenditure on E-Journals	User footfall other than GU	E-journals usage
01-06-2018 to 31-05-2019	3774	1	5030		1268	80878	900	1,59,34,896	24	48330
01-06-2019 to 31-05-2020	982	1	5270		829	3900	1,00000	1,32,49,938	92	1,17,859
01-06-2020 to 31-05-2021	420		5281		1180	NIL			19	72,722
01-06-2021 to 31-05-2022	3133		5984	285 per day	1100	5437904			105	83,082
01-06-2022 to 31-05-2023	381		6199	340 per day	1400	176583		1,73,97,567	162	135408

NB: Donated new books accepted/ received during 2018-2023: 5534