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Library as a Teaching Resource:

The name of the central library is "Padma Shri Dr. Mandan Mishra Central Library." This library operates autonomously using Integrated Library Management System (ILMS) software. The name of this software is "LIBSYS," through which the entire library functions autonomously.

Nature of Autonomous Processes: The LIBSYS-7 software was officially launched in 2011. ILMS software handles the acquisition, cataloguing, circulation, and serials control of the library.

OPAC (Online Public Access Catalogue): It is installed in a server-client mode. A centralized server has been set up in the university's computer centre for the collection and preservation of centralized materials. This software manages the borrowing and returning (issue-return) of books and journals. To enhance the efficiency of this process, a handheld device has also been installed. The ILMS LIBSYS software provides an SMS and email notification facility for all check-ins and check-outs from the library.

Through the use of OPAC software, this library operates autonomously and provides students with a separate assistance desk for accessing the catalogue. This system is also accessible through mobile devices, allowing users to browse the OPAC catalogue.

In 2020, the library adopted the upgraded ILMS-10 version of the LIBSYS software. It now catalogues approximately 103,864 books, 651 research theses, and 124 journals. The total number of purchased books is 106,580, with 8,847 donated books and 5,814 books under the "Book Bank" scheme, making the total number of books in the library 121,241.

Additional Information: The library has a collaboration agreement with "INFLIBNET" (Information and Library Network) under the "Shodhganga"

project. Through this, approximately 559 research theses have been uploaded to the Shodhganga portal, and readers frequently access them through the Shodhganga platform for study purposes.

In 2021, to further improve the library's operations, "Radio Frequency Identification Devices" (RFID) were introduced. The entire operation of the library, including books, research theses, and journals, is now automated.

Current System: The library currently uses ILMS LIBSYS-10 software. **Year of Autonomous Process Initiation:**

- In 2011, the library began operating with ILMS LIBSYS-7.
- In 2020, the library switched to ILMS LIBSYS-10.

The university's library also supports the development of individual skills through its mandatory internship services. Approximately ten external interns benefit from this system each year.

A cyber system is available in the library to prevent any unauthorized or disciplinary activities conducted via computers.

For differently-abled students and teachers, the library provides an audio recording device to convert books into a format suitable for auditory use.

Before submitting a thesis to the university, a plagiarism check system is available. The library also offers **Grammarly** services for all users.

The University is equipped with the Libsys Library Management System, which streamlines the management of its central library resources and enhances the overall user experience. This advanced system facilitates efficient cataloging, circulation, serials control, opac, and inventory management, allowing students and faculty easy access to a vast collection of books, journals, and digital resources. With user-friendly features such as online search capabilities and personalized account management, patrons can quickly locate materials, manage their loans, and stay updated on library services. By integrating RFID system with Libsys into its library operations, the Central Library is dedicated to providing a modern, efficient, and accessible learning environment.