

**Xaverian 2019**  
**Annual Report July 2017-June 2018**  
**Fr. Verstraeten Central Library**  
**Sojourns of Study**

“Not all of us can do great things. But we can do small things with great love.” **Mother Teresa**

Frederick Wilfred Lancaster propounded the concept of ‘Paperless Society’ which we, the people on earth, have been increasingly accepting day by day to conserve the environment for our sustenance and also to have our future, ‘Green’.

Fr. Verstraeten Central Library is going ahead towards this concept of ‘Paperless Society’ and the man behind this is none other than our beloved Father Xavier Savarimuthu, S.J. With the introduction of E-Book Library System at the central library of the college and similar other initiatives taken by him for other divisions of the college this academic year has made a paradigm shift in this context. Lesser is the consumption of the eco-components and more is the degree of chance of sustainability which is his ‘eco-mantra’.

**Highlights for the year 2017-2018**

**Infrastructural Development:-**

- **Fr. Verstraeten Central Library E-Resource Centre for Advanced Studies and Research:**

It was inaugurated on Date: 21<sup>st</sup> August 2017. This is very popular among the students.

- **Database Demonstration Programme:**

On 28<sup>th</sup> July 2018, a demonstration on Prowess IQ Database, Economic Outlook under CMIE and IndiaStat was held in the Computer Lab which was attended by Research scholars, HODs, Deans and other faculty members of Commerce, Economics and Management Departments.

- **Orientation Programme for New Users:**

It was conducted at the beginning of this academic session

- **Addition of Resources:-**

**Print Books Added & Periodicals Subscribed and/or Renewed During the Year:**

No. of Print books added	2,381
No. of Periodicals subscribed and/or renewed	139

- **Digital Database:**

In the academic year 2017-2018 the following databases are accessible for the users:

Economic Outlook (hosted by CMIE)

Prowess (hosted by CMIE)

Indiastat (hosted by Datnet India Pvt. Ltd)

**Usage of E-Resources:**

The Central Library is happy to announce that “St. Xavier’s College, Kolkata” figures twice (Feb’18 & Aug’18) among the top ten college users category of NLIST program. Thanks to our esteemed patrons to make it happen in the horizon of UGC-INFLIBNET website.

**Book Bank:**

The Book Bank facility has been extended for the benefit of economically weaker students.

**Free Book Distribution:**

Books are distributed among economically backward students of the College.

**Institutional Collaboration:**

The CL has renewed the membership of American Library and British Council Library for the creation of a greater resource sharing platform.

The CL’s association with INFLIBNET and DELNET has also been renewed during the year to facilitate access to the increasing number of digital resources every year.

St. Xavier’s College has been registered as an institutional member of National Digital Library (NDL).

**Academic Audit (Library):**

An Audit Committee team from Calcutta University has conducted library audit during the academic year 2017-2018.

**Stock-Taking of Library Resources:**

During the month of May-June stocktaking has been carried out to assess the physical stock of the Central Library resources.

**Newly subscribed digital version of e-resources:**

1. Time Magazine 2. Economist 3. Down to Earth, 4. The Hindu e-paper 5. Business Line e-paper

**Overview of Total Collection of Printed Books & Journals \***

	Central Library	Department of Education	Ragabhpur Campus	Total
Total No. of Library Holdings	65,842	9,781	5,253	80,876
No. of books in Lending section	47,768	4,040	4,273	56,081
No. of books in Reading section	15,752	5,354	980	22,086
No. of books in Book Bank section	1,155	363	0	1,518
No. of periodicals	139	9	0	148
No. of CDs/DVDs	997	24	0	1,021
No. of Reports	170	0	0	170
No. of Newspapers	10	3	3	16

(\*As on 24-09-2018)

**Future Plan:**

Renovation of reception counter of central library.

Renovation of RFID Kiosk, Gate Antenna, Staff Station, Binding Equipment, Up gradation of RFID Integrated Koha LMS software.

Plagiarism software (Turnitin) for research scholar.

**Feedback:**

**Academic Audit:** *“The Central Library has the most modern and excellent Library and reading room facilities. The Library is extremely well stocked and boasts of an impeccable overall cleanliness. It stands out as one of the proud accomplishments of the College.”*

**NAAC Team:** *“... modern and digitised library.....”* Source: The Telegraph, Calcutta: Wednesday, January 25, 2017

Fr. Verstraeten Central Library came into limelight in a Kolkata based daily (Times of India on March 13,2018) where it was reported that St. Xavier’s College Central Library has been *‘faring in the digital world’* of today’s information age along with the pictures of E-Book Library and Fr. Xavier Savarimuthu SJ, Assistant Director.