Library and Information Services in the Digital Era @ BIMTECH

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ABSTRACT

The most essential element in library information services is having the right people in the right place at the right time. This paper gives an overview of various library and information services provided to the users, which includes faculty, students and staff members in Birla Institute of Management Technology, Greater Noida. To keep pace with the technological advancement in LIS, the knowledge centre of BIMTECH is imparting manual as well as online and e-services to its clientele.

Keywords

LIS Services; BIMTECH Library, Open Source Software, NewGenLib.

1. INTRODUCTION

Birla Institute of Management Technology (BIMTECH), Greater Noida was established in the year 1988 under the aegis of the Birla Academy of Art and Culture, and supported by Birla group of companies. The mission of the institute is to impart management education to prepare business leaders and entrepreneurs to stand up to global competition. It has progressed from a moderate start to the 7th rank among top 50 private business schools of the country under Open-Cfore Survey. The institute awards PGDM (Post Graduate Diploma in Management), PGDM-IB (International Business), PGDM-IBM (Insurance Business Management), PGDM-RM (Retailing and Merchandising Management), PGDM-SD (Sustainable Development), PGDM (Part Time) and doctoral degrees in management stream.

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- Centre for Business Management
- Centre for International Business and Policy
- Centre for Insurance and Risk Management
- Centre for Retail
- Centre for Research Studies
- India Centre for Public Policy

2. LIBRARY SYSTEM OF BIMTECH

The institute library, which is known as Knowledge Centre is an essential component of research and education mission of BIMTECH. The combination of carefully selected traditional and digital resources via browsing interface and supported by exceptionally fast response service, provides BIMTECH community with a library that is worthy of this world class institution. The enthusiastic library management, commitment of talented library staff and the support of top management makes the library a most lively place on the campus providing friendly environment that enables learning and advancement of knowledge, extends research and publication assistance and facilitates undergraduate, postgraduate and research scholars.

The Knowledge Centre is well equipped with precious textbooks, reference books, periodicals and e-journals. The students can freely access these books and references. The library is enriched with digital facilities and computer system which are easily accessible to the students, ex-students, research workers, faculty, staff and visitors. The library frequently displays and exhibits various books, especially newly arrived books. The students are lent the textbooks for the entire academic session with nominal charges through Book-Bank and teachers and students can also buy the books directly from market and submit them to the library of which the amount is paid immediately.

3. COLLECTION DEVELOPMENT

The primary function of the BIMTECH Library is to support the research and teaching needs of the institute. This responsibility includes providing material for current