The profile of five universities along with their library resources and services has been given as follows:

4.1 Kurukshetra University Kurukshetra

The Kurukshetra University was established in 11 January, 1956 as a unitary residential University and its foundation stone was laid by late Dr. Rajendra Prasad, the first President of India. It is located in the holy city of Kurukshetra, land of the historical battle of 'Mahabharata' and the great message of Bhagwad Gita. It is spread over 400 acres of land on the south bank of the holy Brahmnsarovar. Starting with only the Department of Sanskrit, it has grown into a multi-faculty University as one of the premier centres for advanced study and research in the region. The University also has 457 affiliated colleges and institutes in the Districts of Haryana. This university has been declared an 'A' grade by National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC), an autonomous body of the University Grants Commission.

4.1.1 About the Library

Jawahar Lal Nehru library is located in the University campus. It is three storey building and fully air conditioned. The library has a rich collection of 339817 volumes in the stream of sciences, management, social science, commerce and humanities. The library has ERNET Centre with 150 computers for the faculty members, students and research
scholars. Library has provided internet connectivity to almost all the teaching departments and hostels. The entire campus is connected through WI-FI internet connection. The library uses LibSys-4 software package, which supports in-house operations of the library. The LibSys-4 consists of modules on acquisition, cataloguing, circulation, serials, and OPAC. The library has automated its in-house activities such as library membership, circulation of documents, holdings of periodicals, catalogue as OPAC. The library subscribes e-journals through UGC-Infonet e-journal consortium.

**Library Timings:**

Working Days: 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 midnight  
Weekends: 9:00 A.M to 12:00 midnight  
(During the examinations, the library keeps open up to 12:00 O’clock (mid night). The reading room is open to users 24 hours a day.)

**4.1.2 Library Resources**

*Manuscripts:* The library has a collection of 11599 manuscripts. Manuscript section has been digitized with the help of a Chandigarh based NGO “The Nanakshahi Trust”.

*Printed Books and Journals:* The central library holds 354549 books on different disciplines. It holds 350 titles of
the journal.

**Theses:** The library has collection of 350 theses. Theses & Dissertations can be consulted within the library

**E-databases:** Two databases Manupatra and IEL (IEEE) are available.

**E-journals:** Full text electronic journals are available through the library website which can be accessed online from the publishers’ website.

**E-resources through UGC-Consortium and INDEST**

### 4.1.3 Users Services

**Reading Facility:** Central library has reading areas- 3 on Ground floor, 2 on first floor and 3 on second floor with a reading capacity for 470 readers. There is facility of night reading hall at ground floor.

**Circulation Service:** The library uses bar coded ID-cum library cards technology for check-out and check in library material, calculation of overdue charges.

**Reference service:** Reference Desk is located on the ground floor. Users are guided in locating information/documents. Freshers are offered orientation programme to apprise them of library organization and services.

**Internet Facility:** There are 200 internet nodes in the library. These are located in the separate internet lab. This service is offered to the bonafide library patterns free of cost.
**Photocopying Service:** This service is provided from 9:00 am to 7:00 p.m. on all working days.

The library has more other services like book bank, book exhibition, display of new arrivals, user orientation and end users searching instructions. (www.kuk.ac.in)

### 4.2 Maharishi Dayanand University (MDU), Rohtak

Maharishi Dayanand University, Rohtak was established in 1976 through an Act of Legislative Assembly of Haryana. It has 126 institutions and colleges under its control. It became affiliating university in 1978. Its campus extends to an area of 665.44 acres. 36 department offer educational and research programmes. This university provides residential facilities to the faculty members and non-teaching staff. It runs 2 satellite campuses – Regional Centre running post-graduate teaching at Rewari and National Law College at Gurgaon. It has the prestigious Post-Graduate Institute of Medical Sciences at Rohtak, Medical College and Post Graduate MDIMS Medical studies in 21 disciplines, 9 P.G. Diplomas & a Medical College at Agroha apart from a Dental College at Rohtak.

#### 4.2.1 About the Library

Vivekananda Library was established in 1976 as an autonomous body. It is housed in a magnificent three storeyed building with 84000 sq. ft. area. One of its reading halls is air conditioned. The library uses LibSys software
package for in-house operations. This library has 3 lakh volumes of books and bound journals. It maintains campus wide networking. The Library has five satellite libraries - Law Library, Management Library, Engineering Library, Maths Library and Hotel & Tourism Library.

**Library Timings:**

It opens from 9.00 a.m. to 8.00 p.m. on six days of the week, and from 9.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m. on Sundays and holidays.

### 4.2.2 Library Resources

**Printed Books and Periodicals:** The Library has a rich collection of knowledge resources 2, 51,509 volumes of books and 4, 4065 bound volumes of journals.

**Theses:** The library holds 6047 theses.

**E-journals:** Online access is provided to 5300 e-Journals through UGC Infonet facility. There are over 200 open access journals are available. The library access open access journals NISCAIR Research Journals.

**CDs:** 1000 CDs 300 video tapes are available in the library.

**E-databases:** Library has SCOPUS- an Elsevier owned database of abstracts, e-Emerald with full text database of management journals published by Emerald Group, Manupatra- a full text law database.
4.2.3 Users services

Reading Facility: The reading halls are located on all the three floors. Each hall has the capacity of 250 readers. One of the reading halls opens round the clock.

Circulation Service: Library uses barcode technology for all the circulation functions of the library.

Reference Service: The Reference Librarian guides the library users in the location and selection of documents/information, in the use of OPAC, and to procure information.

Internet Facility: was set up in 1999 with a few nodes. These nodes are located in the separate Internet Lab. This service is offered to the bonafide library users free of cost.

Video conferencing Facility: This service will become a hub for interaction between the teachers and researchers of MDU. This is a multipurpose facility; it will be used for watching a common CD, CD on environmental issues, by a group of students/teachers, and for making PowerPoint presentations.

OPAC: Users can access catalogue from the PCs with linkage to the Campus.

E-resources through UGC- Infonet and INFLIBNET. (www.mdurohtak.ac.in)
4.3 Punjabi University, Patiala

Punjabi University, Patiala was established on April 30, 1962. It is the largest university in the state. It is spread over 600 acres of land. There are 65 Teaching and Research Departments, five regional centres, six Neighbourhood Campuses and 166 Colleges affiliated to this university. It established a special Punjabi Reference Library in the recent past. The Punjabi reference Library has been created to build up a strong collection on Punjab history, culture, language and literature. The rich collection of this library comprises of nearly 99,267 documents. These contain newspapers, magazines, books, diaries and manuscripts pertaining to the 19th and 20th century.

4.3.1 About the Library

Bhai Khan Singh Nabha Library is housed in a spacious modern building. The Library stocks more than five lakh. Latest books are added regularly every year. The library has a reading hall, which has a capacity for 400 readers. The library is actively participating in the INFLIBNET programme. Library uses LibSys software package which supports all the in-house operations of the library.

Library Timings

Working Days: 8: 15 A.M. to 8: 15 P.M. (360 days)
Weekends : 8: 15 A.M. to 8: 15 P.M

(Library remains closed 5 days on holidays)
4.3.2 Library Resources

**Printed books and periodicals:** The library has a total collection of above 5 lakh books, 523 printed journals and stocks more than 4,20,000 volumes.

**Video collection:** The main library is having approximately 1300 CDs, 100 DVDs and 617 microfilms.

**E-databases:** Seven databases are available in the library.

**E-books:** No e-books are available in the library.

**E-journals:** library subscribes to 5630 e-journals through INFLIBNET and 220 through INDEST.

**Manuscript Catalogue:** It has English and Punjabi section. English section is having 1 volume and Punjabi section has 2 volumes.

4.3.3 Users Services

The library provides Current Awareness, documentation, subject bibliographies and Computerised bibliographic services.

Readers' orientation Programmes are conducted by the library for fresh entrants.

**Inter Library Loan Facility:** The library arranges to procure books from other libraries on inter library loan.

**Internet Facility:** This facility is being provided since 1996.

**Reprographic Services:** Xeroxing facility is available in the
library.

**OPAC Service:** The library has been providing this service since April, 1998. Users can access OPAC from 9:30 A.M. to 6:00 P.M.

**Services from INFLIBNET:** The library is member of INFLIBNET. Users can access e-journals in the library.

The library is member of DELNET.

(www.punjabiuniversity.ac.in)

### 4.4 Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar

Guru Nanak Dev University was established at Amritsar on November 24, 1969 to mark the 500th birth anniversary of Sri Guru Nanak Dev Ji. The University is Spread over a stretch of 500 acres towards the west of the City. The University is running 37 academic departments, two regional centres, two colleges and a score of support service departments. It offers a comprehensive range of general and applied courses. Almost all the Departments have been provided with independent computer facilities, internet connectivity to promote research. 22 departmental libraries have been established in different departments’ buildings. It performs the parenting role of directing and monitoring the academic programmes of more than 100 colleges located in the five districts of Amritsar, Jalandhar, Kapurthala, Nawanshehar and Gurdaspur.
4.4.1 About the Library

University Library was established in March 1970. The University has been named after the great Sikh Scholar Bhai Gurdas. The University library building is a marvel and a masterpiece of architecture. It is a five storeyed building in pyramid shape. This Library is directly visible from the main gate of the university. There is air conditioned reading hall. It remains open 24 hours. The library has its own binding unit. It binds current newspapers, journals and books. The library is a member of INFLIBNET UGC-Infonet e-journals Consortium Programme and DELNET

Library Timings

Working Days: 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.

Weekends: 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.

The library remains open on all the days of the year except on two National Holidays i.e. 26th January and 15th August.

4.4.2 Library Resources

The library has a total collection of 4,27,000 documents. Punjabi Reference Library is a separate section for theses, dissertations, reports etc. This library has about 4000 books. These books are not for issue and return.

Printed and e-journals

The Library is subscribing 143 Foreign and 182 Indian
Journals. It is also receiving about 150 journals as gift.

**Collection of CDs:** CDs of M.Phil. Dissertations and Ph.D. thesis are deposited in the digital section. CDs with books, census reports, gazetteers are also available in this section. Students, researchers and faculty members can have access to these CDs in this section.

**Microfilms and Manuscripts:** Microfilming of 600 manuscripts has been completed. Microfilming of rare books and manuscripts is in under construction. Microfilming facilities are available for academic and research purpose only.

**Project Digitization:** Library has prepared the catalogues of Bibliographic description of Manuscripts in five volumes in print as well as CD/DVD form. First part of fifth volume is related to Urdu and Persian manuscripts. Second part of fifth volume is related to Hindi and Sanskrit. All the Manuscripts have been fully digitized.

The library is a member of INFLIBNET UGC-Infonet e-journals Consortium Programme which is providing access to 4500+ e-journals and some databases. Almost all the disciplines are covered in the e-journals, DELNET

### 4.4.3 Users Services

**Reading Facility:** The reading hall of the library remains open for 24 hours 365 days

**Circulation Service:** The library uses barcoded technology to make the circulation work fully
computerized.

**Current Awareness Service:** Users are kept aware of the latest books added to the library through display of selected books and book jackets in the new arrival corner. All the departments are provided ‘Books of the month: bibliographical detail of the books’.

**Photocopy Service:** This service is provided in the library on all working days. Its timings are 9.30 AM to 7.30 PM on working days and 9.30 AM to 4.30 PM on Saturdays, Sunday and other holidays.

**Reference Service:** This service is provided to readers in locating any information / Document in the Library.

Bhai Gurdas Library is a member of DELNET (Developing Library Network). This helps the faculty and researchers to procure those books, articles and documents from other educational Institutions through DELNET which are not available in GNDU University. (www.gndu.ac.in)

**4.5 Punjab University, Chandigarh**

Punjab University has a long tradition of pursuing excellence in teaching and research in science and technology, humanities, social sciences, performing arts and sports. The glorious traditions of the University, established during the period of more than 125 years of its long service to the nation and since its inception in 1882 at Lahore (now in Pakistan). After the partition in 1947, the
University was constrained to function for almost a decade without having a campus of its own. It was in 1956 that the University was relocated at Chandigarh. University campus is spread over an area of 550 acres. It is situated in sectors 14 of city of Chandigarh. University has 75 teaching and research departments and 15 Centers for teaching and research at the main campus located at Chandigarh. University has 188 affiliated colleges spread over Punjab and having one rural Regional Centre at Kuoni, and 3 Regional Centres at Muktsar, Ludhiana and Hoshiarpur.

4.5.1 About the Library

A.C. Joshi Library, after the name of an illustrious Vice-Chancellor of this University, was established in the Chandigarh, the new Capital of Punjab, in 1955-56. The foundation stone of the new Library building was laid in 1958 by Dr S. Radhakrishnan, the then Vice-President of India. The Library was formally inaugurated in 1963 by Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru, the then Prime Minister of India. The Library has a collection of over 7 lakh publications which include, books bound volumes of journals, theses/dissertations, rare books, reports, government documents, back files of newspapers, and a prized collection of 1490 Manuscripts. The Library is now fully computerized and uses SLIM software package, which supports all the in-house operations of the library. The University library has been recognized as one of the six national centres for data-
information- distribution in the UGC's INFLIBNET programmer. The library is member of INDEST consortium and access to online full text journals.

**Library Timings**

Working Days: 8:00 A.M to 10:00 P.M (all week days)

Weekends: One reading hall open 24 hrs.

**4.5.2 Library Resources**

**Reference Collection:** The reference collection of the library is continuously updated, and augmented with the acquisition of CD-ROM databases and access to online databases on the internet.

**Manuscript and rare Books:** The library has a good collection of manuscripts and rare books. It has a total of 1492 manuscripts in Hindi, Urdu, Persian, Sanskrit, Punjabi and Sharda script. Starting from Hindu scriptures, it covers a range of subjects like Persian Court Etiquette, Poetry, writings of Sikh Gurus, translations and the documents pertaining to Maharaja Ranjit Singh's Court. Rare books are around 20,000 in number.

**Periodicals:** The central library subscribes to about 600 current periodicals. Its holdings of back volumes of periodicals go back to nineteenth century.

**Print and Electronic Journals:** Library subscribes 200 journals through UGC-Infonet. Users can search journals
subject wise, publisher wise, alphabetical list and title wise.

**E-databases:** it has five e- databases.

**E-resources are subscribed through INDEST Consortium and UGC- Infonet.**

### 4.5.3 User Services

**Circulation Service:** Issue and return of the books is handled with the help of computer on the first floor of the library.

**Technical service:** OPAC can also be accessed through any terminal on the campus network. Library collection can also be searched through Web OPAC.

**Reference Service:** This service is available for all the 12 hours the Library remains open. New entrants to the University are invited to the Orientation Course conducted in the beginning of the academic session.

**Periodical Service:** The Periodicals Section makes available current sources of information on the third floor of the library. The opening hours of the Section are 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**Inter Library Loan:** The Library also arranges books on inter-library loan from other libraries on specific demand.

**Reprographic service:** Photocopy facility is available in the library on payment bases. (www.puchd.ac.in)
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