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2.1) History of Agricultural University Libraries in India:-

The first agricultural university is established in India in Patnagar in U.P. In year 1960, this was the first starting point of the agricultural university in India. Therefore the history of agricultural university library in India starts with the library of G.B. Pant University of Agriculture and Technology.

Libraries are being a part and parcel of education and research system playing vital role. They provide center for research activity around which the progress of the country is spiritually high. There development has been along with the growth and development of the institution in particular and country as a whole in general libraries have served the nation and born many constraints during the span of 50 years of independence.

2.2) Definition of Library:-

A library is a public institution or establishment charged with the care of collection of books and making them accessible to those that requires the use of them.

“It is an admitted fact that a library is a pivot on which the entire educational institute rotates, may it be a school, college or a university.” Importance of libraries have been shown by all the Education Commissions, and all the learned persons, libraries preserve and care the civilization and support the university in carrying out its teaching and research programme. Since the range of a university library is from under-graduate student to the Doctoral candidate. It is expected that library will provide all the required resources to whole of the range.”

2.3) What is Agricultural Library:
An agricultural library is a special collection of books, journals, pamphlets, films and other material organized to serve the needs of those engaged in agriculture, whether as producer of agricultural products, scientist who conduct agricultural research or teachers and students of this subject. The agricultural libraries may serve the needs of teaching, learning and practice in any or all branches of knowledge necessary for professional agriculture.

Modern agricultural libraries are charge with the responsibility or rendering the maximum serve to promote agricultural research, teaching, learning and extension. Every agricultural library must be an integral part of every research institute and university and it is special library which must be gentled to serve agriculture.

2.4) Impact of Agricultural University Library in Agricultural Education:

In 1964, National educational Commission in its reports has recommended the establishment of at least one agricultural university in each state of India. National Commission on agricultural in 1976 has recommended implementation of various development plans establishing the new agricultural complexes and ICAR research institute and project in collaboration with the agricultural university in India. These open avenues for establishment of modern, the well developed and well organized university libraries on the scientific basic in order to play vital constructive role in the nation building task of agricultural education, research and extension.

To maintain communication of new information and technology to the Agricultural scientists is the main task of University Agricultural Library in India. Modern, well-developed and well-equipped universities play a constructive role in the progress of information transfer to agricultural scientist.

Resent development in agriculture and allied sciences has created new pressure on libraries of the agricultural universities. These serve the need of agricultural education, research and extension education. University library is necessary adjunct of
the teachers aid and a researchers tool without which he cannot make the best use in an effective and efficient manner of his times or talents. University library being an integral part of university must be developed in dynamic institution where the staff and the students including the research workers come for the advancement of the skills and assistance for change of their attitude and desires direction.

A well equipped and manned by competent staff would soon find themselves in morass of intellectual stagnation, backwardness, if there are nit dynamic, modern, up to date and efficiently merge library. Development of university library therefore has no limits, it is one institute which should continuously grow and should never be allowed to relapse into stagnation.

2.5) Function of Library in Higher Education and Research:

In India, agricultural education is one of the thresholds of a new era. This new era defines the parameters in which the university libraries are to function for the forcible future. A very serious concern for those libraries that serve the major research oriented university is a continuance of their capacities to provide adequate information sources for academic research.

The main function of the university library is a dissemination of the information/knowledge through books and various bibliographical literatures stocked in the library, as books are carriers of thoughts through the thinker of past and present. The second main function of library is to help the research scientists in his research programs and the third main function is to help implement the instructional programs of the university.

The function of this library on the ideal of brings the right information to the right scientist at the right time and the right manner. In order to achieve the objective of libraries they must be organized on functional basis. Unless and until the libraries are organized on functional basis they will not render effective services to the scientist, readers and academic staff.
The library can function well only it is organized and administrated by competent staff. The library staff can make the progress of the library. Efficient library service presupposed staff after having been organized a library on scientific basis.

**Agricultural Universities in India**

1. Anand Agricultural University, Anand-388110, (Gujarat State).


3. Assam Agricultural University, Jorhat-785013, (Assam State).

4. Bidhan Chandra Krishi Viswavidyalaya, P.O Krishi Viswavidyalaya, Mohanpur, Nadia- 741252, (West Bengal)

5. Birsa Agricultural University, Kanke, Ranchi- 834006, (Jharkhand State)

6. Chandra Shekar Azad Univ. of Agriculture & Technology, Kanpur- 208002, (Uttar Pradesh)

7. Central Agricultural University, Imphal -795004 (Manipur)

8. Chaudhary Charan Singh Haryana Agricultural University, Hissar-125004, (Haryana)

9. Chaudhary Sarwan Kumar Himachal Pradesh Krishi Vishvavidhalaya, Palampur, Kangra- 176062 (Himachal Pradesh)

10. Dr Balasaheb Sawant Konkan Krishi Vidyapeeth, Dapoli, Ratnagiri-415712, (Maharashtra State)

11. Dr Panjabrao Deshmukh Krishi Vidyapeeth, Akola-444104, (Maharashtra State)
12. Dr Yashwant Singh Parmar Univ. of Horticulture & Forestry, Solan, Nauni – 173230, (Himachal Pradesh)

13. Govind Ballabh Pant University of Agriculture & Technology, Pantnagar, Udham Singh Nagar-263145, (Uttarakhand)

14. Guru Angad Dev University of Veterinary and Animal Sciences, Ludhiana-141004 (Punjab)

15. Indira Gandhi Krishi Vishwavidyalaya, Krishi Nagar, Raipur-492006, (Chhattisgarh State)


17. Junagadh Agriculture University, Moti Baug, Agril. Campus, Junagadh-362001, (Gujarat State)

18. Karnataka Veterinary Animal and Fisheries Science University, P.B. No. 6, Nandinagar, Bidar-585401 (Karnataka state)

19. Kerala Agricultural University, P.O Vellanikkara, Thrissur-680656 (Kerala State)

20. Maharana Pratap Univ. of Agriculture & Technology, Udaipur-313001, (Rajasthan State)

21. Maharashtra Animal Science & Fishery University, Nagpur (Maharashtra State)

22. Mahatma Phule Krishi Vidyapeeth, Rahuri-413722 (Maharashtra State)

23. Marathwada Agricultural University, Parbhani -431402 (Maharashtra State)

24. Narendra Deva University of Agriculture & Technology, Kumarganj, Faizabad-224229 (Uttar Pradesh State)

25. Navsari Agricultural University, Vijalpore, Navsari-396450 (Gujarat State)
26. Orissa Univ. of Agriculture & Technology, Siripur, Bhubaneswar-751003
   (Orissa)

27. Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana -141004 (Punjab State)

28. Rajasthan Agricultural University, Bikaner -334006, (Rajasthan State)

29. Rajendra Agricultural University, Pusa, Samastipur-848125 (Bihar State)

30. Sardar Vallab Bhai Patel University of Agriculture & Technology, Modipuram,
    Meerut-250110 (Uttar Pradesh)

31. Sardarkrushinagar-Dantiwada Agricultural University, Sardarkrushinagar,
    Dantiwada, Banaskantha-385506 (Gujarat State)

32. Sher-E-Kashmir Univ. of Agricultural Sciences & Technology, Railway Road,
    Jammu- 180012 (Jammu and Kashmir)

33. Sher-E-Kashmir Univ. of Agricultural Sciences & Technology, Shalimar,
    Srinagar- 191121, (Jammu and Kashmir)

34. Sri Venkateswara Veterinary University, Tirupati, Chittoor- 517502 (Arunachal
    Pradesh)

35. Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, Coimbatore-641003, (Tamil Nadu)

36. Tamil Nadu Veterinary & Animal Sciences University, Madhavaram Milk Colony,
    Chennai- 600051(Tamil Nadu)

37. University of Agricultural Sciences, Dharwad (Karnataka State)

38. University of Agricultural Sciences, Banglore- 560065 (Karnataka State)

39. UP Pandit Deen Dayal Upadhaya Pashu Chikitsa Vigyan Vishwa Vidhyalaya
    Evam Go Anusandhan Sansthan, Mathura- 281001 (Uttar Pradesh)
40. Uttar Banga Krishi Vishwavidyalaya, P.O. Pundibari, Distt. Cooch Behar-736165 (West Bengal )

41. West Bengal University of Animal & Fishery Sciences, 68 KB Sarani, Kolkata-700037 (West Bengal)

42. University of Horticultural Sciences, Venkataramnagudem, West Godavari, (Arunachal Pradesh)

43. Rajmata VRS Agricultural University, Gwalior-474002 (Madhya Pradesh)

44. University of Agricultural Sciences, Raichur-584102 (Karnataka State)

45. University of Horticultural Sciences, Navanagar, Bagalkot-587101 (Karnataka )

**Deemed-to-be-Universities**

1. Indian Veterinary Research Institute, Izatnagar, Bareilly - 243122 (Uttar Pradesh State)

2. Indian Agricultural Research Institute, Pusa - 110012 (New Delhi)

3. National Dairy Research Institute, Karnal - 132001, (Haryana State)

4. Central Institute of Fisheries Education, Mumbai - 400061 (Maharashtra State)

5. Allahabad Agricultural Institute, Allahabad - 211007 (Uttar Pradesh)

**Central Universities with Agriculture Faculty**

1. Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh (Uttar Pradesh)
2. Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi (Uttar Pradesh)
3. Vishwa Bharti, Shantiniketan (West Bengal)
4. Nagaland University, Medizipherma (Nagaland)

Agriculture universities in Maharashtra State

1. Dr. Balasaheb Sawant Konkan Krishi Vidyapeeth, Dapoli, Ratnagiri-415712, Maharashtra
2. Dr Panjabrao Deshmukh Krishi Vidyapeeth, Krishi Nagar, Akola-444104, Maharashtra
3. Maharashtra Animal Science & Fishery University, Nagpur, Maharashtra
4. Mahatma Phule Krishi Vidyapeeth, Rahuri-413722, Maharashtra
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Map 2 Agricultural Map of India

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