

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CULTURE  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.514**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24.07.2025

**DIGITIZATION OF LIBRARIES INDIA**

514. SHRI S. SELVAGANABATHY:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- a) whether Government is aware that all libraries in the country are digitized, if so, the details thereof;
- b) the number of States/UTs in the country which are brought under the National Virtual Library of India (NVLI);
- c) whether proper training is imparted to the professional handling the library under NVLI scheme; and
- d) the number of States/UTs which have participated in the National Mission on Libraries for upgradation of infrastructure, modernization of technology and creation of facilities, if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF CULTURE AND TOURISM  
(GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

- a) The digitization of seven Libraries under the jurisdiction of this Ministry is an ongoing and continuous process. The National Virtual Library of India (NVLI), now operational as the Indian Culture Portal (<https://indianculture.gov.in/>), serves as the centralized repository for digitized cultural and historical content.

The scope of digitization covers multiple aspects, including the adoption of software-based Library Management Systems, issuance of smart cards for book lending and return services, and the systematic digitization of copyright-free manuscripts, rare book, rare documents, old journals, historical records, and other relevant archival material. These efforts aim to enhance accessibility, preservation, and efficient management of valuable cultural resources.

- b) The National Virtual Library of India (NVLI) now known as the Indian Culture Portal (ICP), is a comprehensive digital repository that showcases diverse cultural content from all States and Union Territories (UTs) of India. It hosts a wide array of materials, including scholarly write-ups on folk art and crafts, regional cuisines, traditional festivals, manuscripts, historical records, artefacts, and other culturally significant resources. The portal serves as a unified platform for accessing and preserving India's rich and varied cultural heritage, ensuring representation from every State and UT across the country.
- c) Yes Sir, The National Virtual Library of India (NVLI), now functioning as the Indian Culture Portal (ICP), has organized training sessions on Koha, an open-source Library Management Software, for all libraries under the administrative purview of the Ministry of Culture. These sessions aim to build institutional capacity in digital cataloguing, inventory management, and modern library services.
- d) A total of 34 States and Union Territories have participated under National Mission on Libraries (NML) for the upgradation of infrastructure, modernization of technology, and development of library facilities. The detailed list is provided at **Annexure –A**.

**Annexure- A**

Annexure referred to in reply to part (d) of Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No.514 for reply on 24<sup>th</sup> July, 2025 regarding Digitization of Libraries in India.

Sl.	State	Name of the Library	Sanction Year	Amount sanctioned in lakh	Total Utilized	Central Share	State Share	Central Share %	State Share %
1	Arunachal Pradesh	State Central Library, Itanagar	2014-15	223.00	219.71	197.74	21.97	90	10
2	Arunachal Pradesh	District Library, Phasighat	2014-15	87.00	84.90	76.41	8.49	90	10
3	Goa	Dr. Francisco Luis Gomes District Library	2014-15	87.00	3.38	2.53	0.84	75	25
4	Goa	Krishnadas Shama State Central Library	2014-15	223.00	21.68	16.26	5.42	75	25
5	Mizoram	State Central Library, Aizwal	2014-15	141.24	137.04	123.34	13.70	90	10
6	Mizoram	District Library, Kolasib	2014-15	50.00	50.00	45.00	5.00	90	10
7	Rajasthan	Dr. Radhakrishnan Rajya Kendriya Pustakalaya, Jaipur	2014-15	183.51	94.81	71.11	23.70	75	25
8	Rajasthan	Rajakiya Sarvajanic Mandal Pustakalaya, Kota	2016-17	63.46	63.21	47.41	15.80	75	25
9	Telangana	District Central Library, Mahabubnagar	2014-15	52.00	50.00	37.50	12.50	75	25
10	Telangana	State Central Library, Hyderabad	2014-15	112.25	103.72	77.79	25.93	75	25
11	Uttar Pradesh	State Central Library, Allahabad	2014-15	206.00	203.75	152.81	50.94	75	25
12	Uttar Pradesh	Government District Library, Etawah	2014-15	87.00	85.93	64.45	21.48	75	25
13	West Bengal	West Bengal State Central Library	2014-15	222.81	219.82	164.86	54.95	75	25
14	West Bengal	North Bengal State Library, Coochbehar	2014-15	86.98	79.73	59.80	19.93	75	25
15	Gujarat	State Central Library, Gandhinagar	2014-15 Revised 2017-18	104.04	101.00	75.75	25.25	75	25
16	Gujarat	Government District Library, Bhavnagar, Gujarat	2022-23	87.00	87.00	65.25	21.75	75	25
17	Assam	District Library, Jorhat (1)	2016-17	40.00	39.99	35.99	4.00	90	10
18	Assam	District Library, Guwahati (2)	2016-17	70.00	69.59	62.63	6.96	90	10
19	Madhya Pradesh	Govt. District Library, Khandwa	2016-17	73.20	65.59	49.20	16.40	75	25
20	Madhya Pradesh	Govt. Shri Ahilya Central Library, Indore	2017-18	87.00	43.67	32.75	10.92	75	25

21	Maharashtra	District Library, Nandurbar	2016-17	21.90	18.43	13.83	4.61	75	25
22	Maharashtra	Govt. Divisional Library, Aurangabad	2017-18	60.55	57.21	42.91	14.30	75	25
23	Nagaland	State Central Library, Kohima	2016-17	177.49	175.48	157.93	17.55	90	10
24	Nagaland	District Library, Dimapur	2016-17	73.81	69.75	62.77	6.97	90	10
25	Tamil Nadu	District Library, Tiruchirapalli	2016-17	70.00	68.16	51.12	17.04	75	25
26	Tamil Nadu	District Library, Vellore	2016-17	87.00	79.27	59.45	19.82	75	25
27	Karnataka	State Central Library, Bangalore	2014-15	223.00	200.00	150.00	50.00	75	25
28	Karnataka	District Central Library, Shimoga	2014-15	87.00	79.26	59.44	19.81	75	25
29	Tripura	Birchandra State Central Library	2014-15	223.00	222.93	200.64	22.29	90	10
30	Tripura	Unakoti District Library	2014-15	87.00	86.92	78.23	8.69	90	10
31	Kerala	State Central Library, Thiruvananthapuram	2015-16	116.61	116.61	87.46	29.15	75	25
32	Kerala	State Public Library Research Centre	2021-22	37.50	22.55	16.92	5.64	75	25
33	Pondicherry	Romain Rolland Library, State Central Library	2016-17	166.47	142.37	106.77	35.59	75	25
34	Pondicherry	Dr. S. R. Ranganathan Government Public Library, Karaikal	2016-17	76.04	66.17	49.63	16.54	75	25
35	Bihar	District Central Library, Jamui	2018-19	81.41	62.21	46.66	15.55	75	25
36	Bihar	District Central Library, Hajipur, Vaishali	2023-24	87.00	50.00	37.50	12.50	75	25
37	Himachal Pradesh	Government District Library, Bilaspur	2018-19	86.87	74.66	56.00	18.67	75	25
38	Himachal Pradesh	Central State Library, Solan, Himachal Pradesh	2022-23	223.00	95.00	71.25	23.75	75	25
39	Haryana	State Central Library, Ambala Cantt.	2021-22	223.00	122.65	91.99	30.66	75	25
40	Haryana	District Library, Narnaul	2021-22	84.00	46.20	34.65	11.55	75	25
41	Chhattisgarh	District Library, Raigarh	2014-15	87.00	78.32	58.74	19.58	75	25
42	Odisha	H.K.M.State Library, Bhubaneswar	2014-15	223.00	133.00	99.75	33.25	75	25
43	Odisha	District Library, Ganajam	2014-15	40.36	0.00	0.00	0.00	75	25
44	Uttarakhand	Government District Library, Suman Pustakalaya, New Tehri	2018-19	86.20	50.00	37.50	12.50	75	25
45	Jammu & Kashmir	Gani Memorial U.T Central Library, Srinagar	2021-22	223.00	100.00	75.00	25.00	75	25

46	Jammu & Kashmir	District Library, Samba	2021-22	32.50	32.50	24.38	8.13	75	25
47	Sikkim	Sikkim State Central Library, Gangtok	2021-22	217.20	217.20	195.48	21.72	90	10
48	Sikkim	District Library, Mangan	2021-22	86.58	86.58	77.92	8.66	90	10
49	Manipur	State Central Library, Imphal	2022-23 Revised	218.87	45.25	40.73	4.53	90	10
50	Manipur	District Library, Senapati	2022-23 Revised	85.53	1.00	0.90	.10	90	10
51	Meghalaya	State Central Library, Shillong	2023-24	223.00	100.00	90.00	10.00	90	10
52	Meghalaya	District Library, Tura	2023-24	87.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	90	10
53	Lakshadweep	State Central Library, Kavaratti	2023-24	168.00	88.00	88.00	.00	100%	0%
54	Lakshadweep	District Library, Kadmat	2023-24	27.64	27.64	27.64	.00	100%	0%
55	Chandigarh	T.S. State Central Library	2023-24	164.50	164.50	164.50	0.00	100%	0%
56	Chandigarh	Divisional Library, South	2023-24	82.72	82.72	82.72	0.00	100%	0%
57	A&N Island	State Central Library, Port Blair	2023-24	223.00	223.00	223.00	0.00	100%	0%
58	A&N Island	District Library, Car nicobar	2023-24	87.00	87.00	87.00	0.00	100%	0%
59	Daman & Diu	Central Library, Daman	2023-24	223.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100%	0%
60	Daman & Diu	District Library, Diu	2023-24	87.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100%	0%
61	Jharkhand	State Central Library, Dhanbad	2023-24	223.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	75	25
62	Jharkhand	District Library, Palamau	2023-24	87.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	75	25
63	Punjab	MM Central State Library, Patiala	2022-23	223.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	75	25
64	Punjab	Gurunanak District Library, Kapurthala	2022-23	87.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	75	25
				7872.24	5197.06	4306.99	890.08		

**NML maintains Central Fund and State Fund ratios as per below table:**

Category of State/ UT	Central Fund Ratio	State Fund Ratio
North Eastern States	90	10
UTs without legislature	100	NIL
All other State/ UT	75	25
UTs with legislature	75	25