

Nava Nalanda Central Library (<https://cl.thapar.edu>)



The Library Building and Infrastructure

Nava Nalanda Central Library is an iconic, internationally acclaimed structure in the heart of the Thapar Institute Campus. It is a grandeur, five-storied building with plenty of natural light to sit at any corner and enjoy the natural light feeling near Mother Earth. The soothing park area relaxes the user's mind.

An internationally renowned architect aesthetically designed the Five-storied independent building to accommodate over one thousand users at any time. The library has been awarded with Royal Institute of British Architecture as RIBA International Awards for Excellence 2024 and listed among top 26 Stunning Academic Library in the World you Need to See by AD Magazine. The library has been provided with dedicated air-conditioned group discussion rooms with LED, Projectors and Wi-Fi where students can work in groups. The eighty-seat seminar hall offers an avenue for training and user orientation of the large group. The library is fully equipped with modern technology, such as an RFID security System and self-check-in/Check-out with minimum human interference. The professionally trained library staff are ready to assist in academic and research support services at all times.

The Library supports learning and research by prioritizing digital collections and providing excellent study environments and facilities. In recent period library shift swiftly and efficiently digital/online mode and procured more than 2 lakh e-books.

Library Timings

The Library remains open on all weekdays. Staff-operated services are available between 08:00 AM and 08:30 PM every day, including Sundays, except few gazette holidays.

Library Collection

Print Resources

The library collection includes print and electronic collections to support the academic and research activities of the institute. The print collection includes over 125125 books, 13095 bound volumes of journals, 3507 theses, 4381 standards, and 88 print magazines and journals. The resources available in print cover textbooks, reference books (Encyclopedia, Handbooks, etc.), Competitive Examination collection (IAS, PCS, NET, GATE, IES, etc.), professional development, Leisure Reading (Novel, Fiction, etc.), Personality Development, Soft Skills, etc. The collection is regularly updated with the latest editions and new publications.

Electronic Resources & Digital Library

The library's electronic resources and digital library are the mainstay of the academic and research needs of the institute. The electronic resources include e-journals, e-books, Video Lectures, CDs, Corporate Movies, and Multimedia Content.

- i. **E-Journals:** The Library subscribes to over 10000+ electronic journals and more than 20,000 conference proceedings from world-renowned publishers ACM, American Institute of Physics (AIP), American Physical Society (APS), American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE), American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME), Wiley Blackwell, IEL Online (IEEE), Institute of Physics (IoP), Nature, Oxford University Press, Royal Society of Chemistry, Elsevier, Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics, Springer, Taylor, and Francis, SAGE, Emerald to name few.
- ii. **Bibliographic Databases:** The library subscribes to various databases that support the academic research work. These include bibliographic databases, statistical databases, etc. The electronic databases available in the Library are: Royal Society of Chemistry, SCOPUS, National Digital Library of India, JSTOR, CAPITALINE, NAV India, ProwessIQ, and Harvard Business Review Cases.
- iii. **E-books:** Library subscribes e-books from Pearson, IEEE, Wiley, Taylor & Francis, EBSCO Academic Book Collection, Oxford University Press, Prentice Hall of India, Tata McGraw-Hill, Refread and Kindle e-books.
- iv. **Electronic Theses and Dissertation Database:** The library is maintaining its Institutional Repository of Thesis and **TIET Digital Repository** (TuDR) accessible throughout the globe at <https://tudr.thapar.edu:8080/jspui>. The repository has a good collection of full text of Electronic Theses and Dissertations (ETD) submitted to the Institute for all Ph.D. and Post Graduate programs and Important News clips of the Institute.

- v. **Remote Access Facility:** All the electronic resources can be accessed at any time anywhere through Thapar Institute of Engineering & Technology campus Network. Furthermore, the resources can also be accessed outside the campus through the Remote Access Login facility. Library has a dedicated e-library mobile application which facilitates seamless access to the entire library through mobile devices, tablets etc.

Library Services

Lending Services

The library is fully automated and all lending operations are handled by Library Management System (KOHA). The OPAC (<https://library.thapar.edu>) is internet-enabled and can be searched anywhere from the globe. All the lending activities are fully equipped with automated alerting services in the form of email and SMS. The user can borrow books from library for a period of 30 days and can be renewed as per the need. Shelf Check-in / Check-out gives an autonomy to the users to borrow books at any time.

Language Writing and Plagiarism

Library subscribed language correction tools such as Grammarly and Quillbot and for plagiarism detection tools such as Turnitin and Drillbit.

Photocopy & Printing facility

Library offers photocopying facility within the library.

Reference and Documentation Service

Library provide reference services, bibliographic services, document delivery services, press clippings, and inter library loan. The library is very keen to user-centric services which consist of subject support, research support, examination support supplemented with resources.

Research Information & Dissemination

The library is maintaining "Thapar Faculty Profile" - Thapar Institute of Engineering & Technology Faculty Publication Database" where all the publication has been indexed in helpful sequence.

Video Lecture Library

Library has established a dedicated server for hosting and disseminating the video lecture of NPTEL. It can be accessed at <http://nptel.thapar.edu/>.

Library Assistance and Supports

Library staff is available for advice and assistance actively through email and electronic ticketing system. Library has its dedicated website <https://cl.thapar.edu> for dissemination of information.