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Dr.V. SENTHUR VELMURUGAN is presently working as the Librarian and Head, Central Library & Department of Library and Information Science, **Kongu Arts and Science College (Autonomous), Erode**. The library was established in our college to facilitate the creation of new knowledge through the acquisition, organization, and dissemination of knowledge resources and providing value-added services. It has been playing a very important role in the teaching-learning process and research activity in the college. Most of the operations of the library have been computerized and the rest of the operations are in the process of computerization. The library remains open from 9.00 AM to 6.00 PM. However, the reading room and textbook section are open on all working days except Sundays. Our library has a membership for many reputed magazines and Journals and members in DELNET, NDL, N-List of UGC – INFLIBNET, and KNIMBUS to access more than 2,24,169 e-books and 21,000 e-journals. Photocopies and online transfer of articles from books and journals were also preceded on request. The total library collection was 37,300 volumes at the end of the year under review. The expenditure on the purchase of books was above 1.85 lacs while a sum of Rs 3.51 Lacs was spent on the subscription of journals and newspapers. Our College Library has organized various activities like Book-fair, Orientation Programme, General Knowledge Test, Book-talk Programme, and story-telling for promoting the reading habits among the students. The information bank includes CD-ROMs, audio, and video cassettes. Membership is open to the faculty, research scholars, and students and non-teaching. The referenced facility is open not only to faculty members but also to the students of other institutions. Books are arranged on Dewey decimal classification. The Enormous reference collection includes directories, dictionaries, encyclopaedias, yearbooks, handbooks, annual publications, etc. Computer-assisted book-searching facility. Photocopy facilities to the users on payment. The Book Bank facility is available in our library with 525 books for the benefit of SC/ST students with open access. The Library publishes a monthly bulletin [Current Awareness Bulletin] advertising current arrivals, employment details, and notification of high-level conferences and seminars. A separate research wing is functioning for the benefit of research scholars.