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Learner Sessions / Library User Programmes Organized

Every year Book exhibition is organised in the institution by Chief Librarian. Different publishers are invited to display their books on various areas such as Health Science, General books, and others.

The Book Exhibition provided a platform for students as well as faculties to directly interact with different publishers. Nearly 600 students of I year to final year witnessed book exhibition with great enthusiasm and interest.

Some of the prominent publishers such as Mac Graw Hill, WILEY, Oxford University Press, CBS, TERI, ANE BOOKS, AHUJA, JAYPEE Brothers, SVA Publishers NEW AGE, S CHAND etc. participated in the book exhibition. Students and faculties interacted with publishers with a great zeal and enthusiasm.

Report on Book Talk

Velammal Medical College Library regularly conducts book talk programs. The purpose of a book talk is to motivate students in order to foster good reading, writing and communication skills by encouraging self-directed learning through reading.

The book talk presenter explains about the title and author, showing the cover page and some of the illustrations in the book. Reading loud, the lead or a particularly interesting or exciting part of the book and they explained about electronic books. Our Director and faculty members have given speech on book talk to students.


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Orientation programs conducted to staff regarding library utilities, facilities and services

Velammal Medical College Library conducts orientation program every year to staff regarding library facilities and services.


During the session staffs were oriented about how the information resources are organized in the library subject wise and department wise, for their easy location.

In the orientation program, staffs were informed about how to get library membership & library rules and regulations, what are the library resources, services and facilities.

Staff were informed regarding book transaction in circulation section, subscriptions of Newspapers, Magazines, Journals, CDs, Previous years exam papers and how they are displayed in library based on its subject for current information.

Staffs were provided User ID, PASSWORD to get access of e-Journals in the college campus. By accessing subscribed online resources such as HELINET to get direct access to authenticated journals, articles, books and statistical information.

Faculty also learnt how to use the library tools like '**Subject Guide**' OPAC, Article Indexing and Case Studies during orientation program.


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Orientation programs conducted to students regarding library utilities, facilities and services

Every year Velammal Medical College Library organises orientation programme to students regarding library facilities and services.

In the library orientation programme various components included are,

- The first component is vision, mission, goal and role of the library.
- The other components are physical layout, hours, rules and regulations, collection, facilities, services, activities and suggestions.
- Library physical layout includes reading room, reference section, stack room, periodical section, circulation counter etc.

1. Library Rules and Regulations: Library rules and regulation were explained before the library users in Library Orientation Programme. Instructions for the new members about the use of library.

2. Library Collection: Users were provided adequate information on library collection. Various types of library collection are - Printed Books, Printed Journal, Digital Books, Online Books and Journals, Manuscripts, Audio Visual Resources available in the library.

3. Facilities: Facilities like lending of library resources, reading room facilities, access to digital and online resources.

4. Services: Library offers different services - Reference Service, Information Service, Current Awareness Service, Newspaper Clipping Service, Reprographic Service, Translation Service to its members. All the services offered by the library includes in the orientation programme.

5. Use of OPAC: In the library orientation programme student are be guided about the use of library OPAC. Searching books technique explained.

6. Uses of Reference Books: Generally, students do not know how to find a word from a dictionary or how to find an answer of a specific question from a reference book e.g. encyclopaedia, directory, and yearbook. In library orientation programme users are guided about the use of reference books.

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7. Issuance and Submission of Books: The newly admitted students do not know how to issue and submit the books in the library. In the orientation programme they are guided to fill the requisition slips, procedure of borrowing and returning the books.

8. Reservation of Books: Sometimes library provides book reservation facility to its users. So, during orientation programs students are explained regarding the procedure of book reservation system.

The orientation serves as an excellent means of promoting good library relations and publicity. Through it there is an opportunity to "sell" the library to the students, to promote the services that it offers, and to create the friendly atmosphere that the library users want.


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Following are the dates of conduct of different programs for the benefit of staff and students of Velammal Medical College Hospital & Research Institute

SL. No.	Programs conducted	Dates
2017-18		
1.	Orientation Program to Staff	13.02.2017
2.	Orientation Program to Students	13.02.2017
3.	Book Talk	17.03.2017
4.	Book Show	16.09.2017
2018-19		
5.	Orientation Program to Staff	19.02.2018
6.	Orientation Program to Students	19.02.2018
7.	Book Talk	22.03.2018
8.	Book Show	20.09.2018
2019-20		
9.	Orientation Program to Staff	19.02.2019
10.	Orientation Program to Students	19.02.2019
11.	Book Talk	18.03.2019
12.	Book Show	18.09.2019
2020-21		
13.	Orientation Program to Staff	21.02.2020
14.	Orientation Program to Students	21.02.2020
15.	Book Talk	20.03.2020
16.	Book Show	23.09.2020
2021-22		
17.	Orientation Program to Staff	23.02.2021
18.	Orientation Program to Students	23.02.2021
19.	Book Talk	19.03.2021
20.	Book Show	16.09.2021


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Book Exhibition

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Book Talk

**Motivate students to foster good reading and speaking skills to
promote self-directed learning**





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Orientation Program for Staff and Students

To familiarise with library rules and regulations, resources, services and facilities.





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