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MUST Central Library stands as a beacon of knowledge, featuring a distinctive architectural design that sprawls across approximately 3000 square meters. This academic haven is a bustling hub, welcoming approximately 2000 students, esteemed faculty members, dedicated researchers, and the wider public daily. The library's extensive collection spans over 7600 titles, encompassing a diverse range of subjects in arts, humanities, and sciences. It serves as a vital resource for all seekers of knowledge, promoting learning and research. Operating from Saturday to Thursday, the library opens its doors to students and the public alike, facilitating access from Saturday Through Wednesday from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm & Thursday from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. With its impressive collection and accessible hours, MUST Central Library stands as a cornerstone of learning and intellectual exploration within the community.

MUST Central Library's services

➢ Electronic Services

Library Website:

The library's website presents all the latest news, services and seminars offered by the library, also, the website offers a replying service to the inquiries through the Chat bot service. Also, the library offers good training opportunities to students specialized in Library science and information technology.

http://library.must.edu.eg/

Online Catalog:

The library offers an online catalog that is accessible from the university's local network and through the internet. It offers bibliographic database including all the contents of the library ranging from books, references, periodicals and scientific theses.

http://mustopac.must.edu.eg/

Digital Repository:

MDAR is an online database for collecting, preserving and publishing the intellectual production of researchers with the aim of free access to this production of scientific theses, dissertations, research works, periodical articles, seminars and conferences of the university.

http://dspace.must.edu.eg/

Digital Scanning:

The digital library provides digitization of the rare books and periodicals of the Central Library and makes them available internally on an electronic

platform in the Central Library in accordance with intellectual property rights as a long preservation plan.

Plagiarism Checker:

The digital library provides a scientific integrity check service using the iThenticate program to detect plagiarism and to verify the integrity of research and protect intellectual property rights. It is available to students and faculty members from inside and outside the university.

➤ Database services

Egyptian Knowledge Bank:
The Central Library provides database services through the participation of the Central Library as a member of the EKB, through which databases are available free of charge to researchers from inside Misr University for Science and Technology. It also provides a special account for non-Egyptians to enter the researchers' portal at the Egyptian Knowledge Bank(EKB).
https://www.ekb.eg/ar/home

E-Learning Platforms:

The digital library provides access to databases through the e-learning platform, which is: "Mc Graw-hill", and they can be accessed through the following link:

https://smartlearning.must.edu.eg/

The library is provided with an open green area, for reading and study, also, some events are held there.

MUST Central Library's statistics

A-Digital Library Statistics:

Activated a form to electronically register students, faculty members, and visitors to the library at the beginning of the academic year 2022. This form also helps in extracting reports on the numbers of library visitors.

Digital Library Visitors for All College		
Students	Employees	Visitor
5300	140	54

B- Main Library Statistics:

B-Main Library Visitors			
Year	Students	Employees	Visitors
2021-2020	28567	728	16
2022-2021	43548	1661	386

From the above statistics, it is evident that the number of public visitors of the library is increasing each year along with the number of members and students benefiting from its large collection and the diversity of services provided.