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Annual report to CDNL 2008

1. New projects:

1. 1. "Electronic Learning" has recently started. After some research and discussion, 5 teachers have been asked to render their curricula according to the new standards as required for electronic learning.
1. 2. Another new project is Digital National Memory of Iran. Accordingly all documents pertaining to Iran and Islam regardless of their formats will be digitalized and available through Web at national and international level.

2. Acquisition:

Last year some 2335 volume of lithographic books plus 1904 manuscripts and 282 patchworks have been purchased. Apart from that, 184 volumes of manuscripts and 362 lithography have been donated to the library. Descriptive cataloging is provided immediately for each volume and is entered into the system available at national level. Some 1550 titles of English books were bought during the International Tehran Book-fair as well as from abroad. Apart from that about 417 Arabic and 31 Turkish titles were purchased.

3. Processing:

Some 11834 titles were fully processed from the backlog. 3873 titles in non-Persian languages (mainly English) received by the library were cataloged and 36265 titles obtained CIP. Apart from that bibliographic information for 19246 titles were fully revised and entered into the system. On the other hand 23902

items from the A.V. material were processed. As for indexing, 37266 articles of 600 periodicals in various subjects were indexed and are available online nationally.

4. Education:

Department of Education organized about 98 short training courses ranging from 20 to 150 hours of durations in which 1258 students took part.

5. ISSN and ISIL

The National Centers of both ISSN and ISIL being in Iran, last year about 276 periodicals received ISSN and 330 libraries obtained their standard code number.

6. New Websites

Websites for the Blind as well as that of children and young adults were operated and are in daily use.

7. Publication

- 7.1. Both Quarterly Journals of the Library a) *Faslname-ye Ketab*, b) *Ganjine-ye Asnad* have been regularly published.
- 7.2. Several monographs related to previous researches have been revised, edited and published.
- 7.3. *Encyclopedia of library and information science* received the Iranian prize for the "Best Book of the Year"