



INTACH is proud of the fact that it welcomes everyone who wishes to read in the Library or the Documentation Centre, unlike many libraries in Delhi which have a restricted membership.

The INTACH Library and Documentation Centre is the only one of its kind in India which is exclusively dedicated to help scholars and researchers in the fields of architectural, intangible and natural heritage, and heritage conservation.

#### **THE LIBRARY**

At present the Library's collection is small, and the IDC's somewhat miscellaneous, but both are growing steadily.

The Library, set up in 1988, has built up a collection of books on architecture, art, conservation, crafts, archaeology, intangible heritage, history, museums, indigenous people, heritage conservation and tourism.

The Library subscribes to 17 Journals on Architecture, Design, Conservation and Environment.

There is a special collection of books and other documents on tourism, built up with the help of a grant from the Ministry of Tourism and Culture in 2004. The documents and books in the Library are classified according to the Dewey Decimal Classification scheme (DDC). The documents are catalogued in machine-readable form using Tech Lib7 software. The database contains over 19,560 entries. The Library is a member of DELNET, which means it can access information on the holdings in other libraries in Delhi. The Library welcomes suggestions for books to be purchased.

#### **THE IDC**

The Documentation Centre, constituted in 2003, houses

- Listings of Heritage Buildings and Sites in Indian districts, cities and towns
- Project proposals and reports on architectural and natural heritage, dating from the 1980s
- Conference Proceedings
- A small collection of theses on architecture and planning
- Institutional papers on environment, forestry, water issues etc.
- Heritage Acts of States, material on Heritage Legislation and charters from other countries
- Newspaper clippings
- Brochures and leaflets on tourism, museums, education, environment etc.

If required, readers may be directed to specialists of different Divisions of INTACH for help with locating research material.

- The Library receives 13 newspapers daily and the IDC has a regular clippings service from national and regional newspapers. These are stored in files and a catalogue of these is available on the INTACH website.
- IDC is in the process of scanning and cataloguing its large collection of maps and plans.
- IDC's updates are posted on the INTACH website each month.

**The B.K. Thapar AVC** was inaugurated

in March 2009. It is well-equipped with audio & visual aids and has a collection of documentary films produced in-house or purchased from agencies like PSBT,

CCRT, Syncline film store, Magic Lantern etc, recorded Interviews and lectures, slides and photographs from various Divisions and Chapters. It also has a selection of audio material from the Akashvani Archives. Visitors are welcome to view or listen to material in the Audio-Visual Centre.



### OPENING HOURS

- Monday to Friday 10.00 a.m. to 05.00 p.m.

### FACILITIES

- While the Library and IDC are open to all users, only the staff of INTACH headquarters is eligible to borrow books. Each staff-member can borrow two books for a fortnight.
- Students and other visitors are requested to fill up a user-profile form.
- All materials other than books are available for reference only
- Photocopying facility of published material is available at a nominal fee\*
- Scanning and colour photocopying services are also available on payment\*
- The Library reserves the right for photocopying pages of books.

### RESTRICTIONS

- Listings and unpublished Project Reports cannot be photocopied.
- Personal reading material cannot be taken into the reading rooms.
- Library material cannot be taken outside the Library unless it is issued.
- Cell phones, cameras and refreshments cannot be taken into the Library.

\* Charges for Services offered by the IDC

S. No.	Type	Size	Charges in Rs (per page)
1.	Scanning	A3/A4	20
2.	Colour Printing	A3	25
3.	Colour Printing	A4	20
4.	Printout from database e.g. subject Bibliography, Reading List, etc.	A4	10

The Library and Documentation Centre welcomes donations of books and other materials from individuals and institutions. It reserves the right to accept or decline donations. The Library staff welcomes suggestions and recommendations from readers.

### CONTACT INFORMATION

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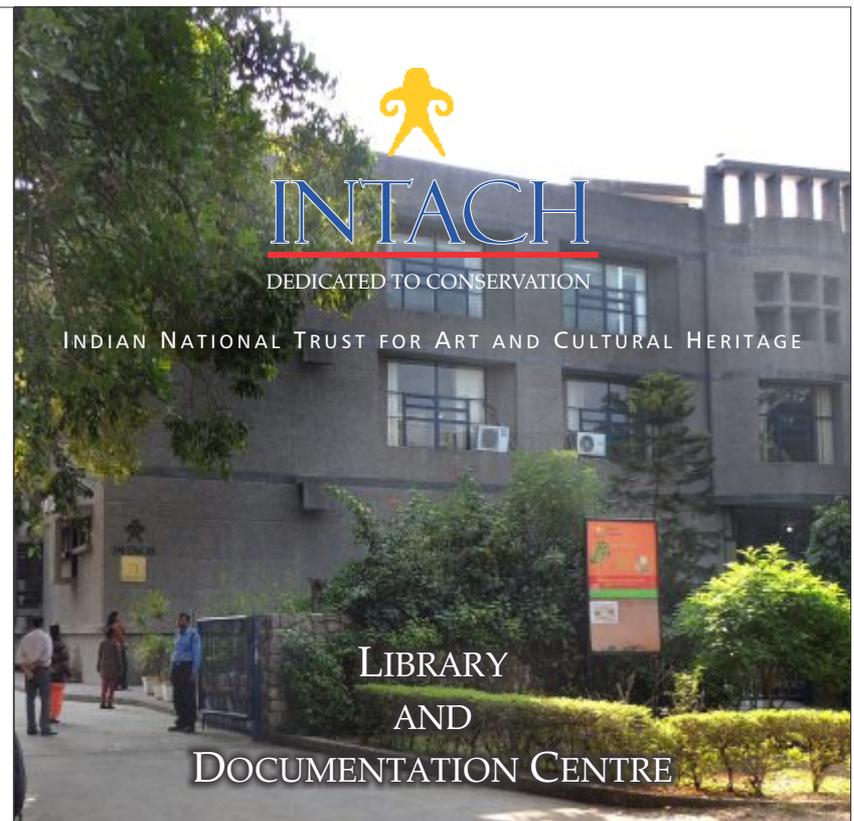
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There is an oasis of beauty in the centre of Delhi called the Lodi Garden an oasis of flowering trees, gentle slopes and a waterway, and magnificent monuments of the fifteenth century. Near the Lodi Garden are beautifully-landscaped public buildings, many designed by the inspired American architect Joseph Stein. Some others are the work of Indian architects, but they all conform to the subtle colour-coding which creates a sense of harmony.

71 Lodi Estate used to be a small bungalow, and was redesigned as the headquarters of the Indian National Trust for Art and Cultural Heritage, founded in 1984. Its large grey mass is softened by its gentle approach, low-rise steps curving round to the entrance.

The interior is refreshingly free of monotonous corridors, and of any sense of hierarchy, though there are light-hearted references to the *tai-khana* at basement-level, rising to the *diwan-e-aam* and then to the *diwan-e-khaas*.

It is symptomatic of the *ad hoc* fashion in which INTACH expanded that the Library and the Documentation Centre are separated by two flights of stairs. After you cross the threshold, go straight ahead and go up a flight of stairs to the elegant Library, and before you settle down to reading, spare a glance for the squirrels peacefully having their breakfast on the little balcony.

If it is the Documentation Centre you need, turn right after the front door and go down the grand staircase, ignoring the left lane which will lead you to the Architecture Division, and go on to the Audio-Visual Centre and the cheerful sun-lit Documentation Centre.