## 7.3.1 The performance of the institution in one area - distinctiveness

The College is located in a remote, earthquake prone and hilly area of Wang valley in Patan Tehsil of Satara District. It is one of the most significant distinctive features of the College. Although the College has several best practices that make it distinctive from rest of the other institutes is its special focus on the development of Central Library.

The College has a separate building for the Central Library. It comprises of a reading hall, separate study rooms for faculty and students. The Central Library has abundant reading resources viz. 51600 books, 40 periodicals, several e-journals, and 6 daily newspapers. The Central Library organizes various programs for the faculty and students. Some of the programs organised by the Central Library are as follows:

- 1. Online Quiz Competition on the occasion of National Reading Day held on 19<sup>th</sup> June, 2022. A total of 50 students participated in the competition.
- 2. Wallpaper Presentation on the on the occasion of Dr. S. R. Ranganathan's Birth Anniversary which is also known as Librarian's day held on 12th August, 2022.
- 3. The Central Library has a Book Bank scheme wherein for advance learners, the additional books are provided for the preparation of competitive examination.
- 4. Guest Lecture of Ms. Rekha Karande on the occasion of Dr. A. P. J. Abdul Kalam's Birth Anniversary which is also celebrated as "Reading Motivation Day" held on 15th October, 2022.
- Collective reading of "Vivekdeep" book on the occasion of World Book Day held on 25<sup>th</sup> April, 2023.

- 6. Book Review Competition was conducted by the Central Library. A total of 11 students participated in the competition. The reviews were evaluated by the faculty members and first three best reviews were awarded with prizes.
- 7. Book Exhibition and "Authors and their literature Card Exhibition" was organized during 12<sup>th</sup> January to 19<sup>th</sup> January 2023.
- 8. The Grampanchayats of Taigadewadi, Saikade and Karpewadi collectively donated 0000 books worth Rs. 0000. On this auspicious occasion, "Granth Dindi" and "Dnyanrupi Gudhi" were organized on 24<sup>th</sup> March 2023.
- 9. The Central Library has given access to the women readers under the innovative scheme "Sansthamata Sushiladevi Salunkhe Women Readers Platform". A total of 23 women have registered under the scheme with annual fee of Rs. 100/-.
- 10. The Central Library has also given access to the external readers under the scheme "Kakasaheb Chavan External Readers Platform". For this, a total of 23 members have registered with annual fee of Rs. 100/-.