



# Analyzing the University Library's Budget Utilization over the Past Five Years: A Case of Navsari Agricultural University in Navsari, Gujarat, India

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## ABSTRACT

This study was conducted on the assessment of budget preparation, utilization, and evaluation in the case of Navsari Agricultural University in Navsari, Gujarat. This paper is study about library budget of University Library, Navsari Agricultural University, Navsari, Gujarat during the last Five Years. This paper study various resources have been purchased by library during last five years. This paper also highlights the amount spent and utilization of this budget by all different resources like books, e-books, print journals, e-database etc. This study gives the brief background of the university library, NAU, Navsari budget allocation and their uses by students, faculty and research scholar. This paper compares five years Budget (i.e. April-2019March-2024) in this particular institutes. This paper also indicatevarious reading materials and resources made available to their

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users, faculty and scientific staff of this university. Most of the University library are suffering for less budget, so this study is done for evaluate budget of University library, Navsari Agricultural University, Navsari, Gujarat was done. I have collect data for this research through annual report of Navsari Agricultural University and also with their concern staff. Target audience of his study in all agricultural university of india, their users, faculty, research scholar and authority.

*Keywords: University library; Navsari Agricultural University; budget allocation; budget utilization; library resources.*

## 1. INTRODUCTION

The library budget is a key aspect of every educational institute. It serves a backbone of Education, research and extension services to every institute. Library budget deals with purchase of Books, e-books, periodicals, e-resources, and deadstock items and salary of staff. Allocation of library budget and utilization of its budget in proper and scientific way can enhance the productivity of their institute and make satisfy to their users such as students, researcher and faculty members. In every educational institute nowadays, budget is play a very crucial role and use them in proper way can become asset otherwise sometimes if it is not used in proper way can become wastage of money. So Library management should do in proper way and use their budget in scientific way so that institute will develop and fulfill all the requirement for their users (Kumar 2017, Singh 2016, Puri 2013).

University Library, Navsari Agricultural University, Navsari was first College library in the year 1965 in N.M. College of Agriculture, Navsari, and in the year 1972 it renamed as campus library, again in the year 1988 and after the separated of Navsari agricultural university In the year 2004, it became university central library. The main function of this university library is to satisfy all the needs of students, faculty and research and extension staff to provide all kind of resources such as books, e-books, periodicals, e-resources related information. Recently library provide services to following institute (Srivastva 2013, Prasher 1997, Kresh 2009, Hayes 2001).

- N.M. College of Agriculture
- Aspee College of Horticulture
- College of Forestry
- Aspee Agribusiness Management Institute
- College of Veterinary Science and Animal Husbandry
- College of Fisheries Science



**Fig. 1. University Library, Navsari Agricultural University, Navsari**

**Table 1. Library Collections (as on 30/09/2024)**

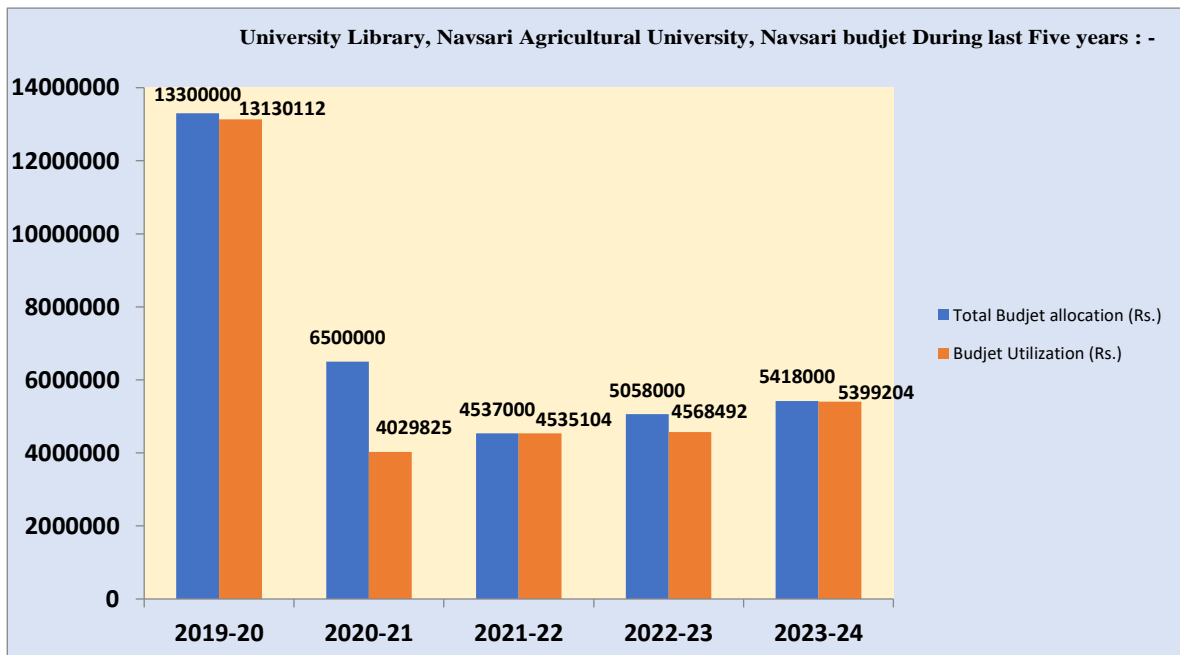
<b>Books</b>	<b>86305</b>
Gratis Books	2142
E-Books	946
Bound volumes of periodicals	11327
M.Sc. Theses	3303
Ph.D. Theses	723
Reports	6823
Total Collection	111569

**Table 2. Journal / Periodicals Subscription (as on 30/09/2024)**

<b>Indian</b>	<b>28</b>
Through CeRA	2658
Gratis	65
E-Resources	
1. CDs / DVDs	675
Online Database	
A. Indian	
Nipaers Database	

**Table 3. Total budget of University Library, Navsari Agricultural University, Navsari budget During last Five years as follow**

Year	Total Budget allocation (Rs.)	Budget Utilization (Rs.)
2019-20	13300000	13130112
2020-21	6500000	4029825
2021-22	4537000	4535104
2022-23	5058000	4568492
2023-24	5418000	5399204



**Fig. 2. University Library, Navsari Agricultural University, Navsari budget During last Five years**

In the last Five years the highest budget of university library, Navsari agricultural university was allocated in the year 2019-20 and lowest budget in the year 2020-21. After examination of budget the reason behind budget decreasing is that Indian Council Agricultural University, New Delhi allocated fund in the year 2019-20 and that grant was not allocated by them (Eskezia et al. 2022, Abtewelde et al. 2022).

journals, E-journals (E-database), furniture and fixtures.

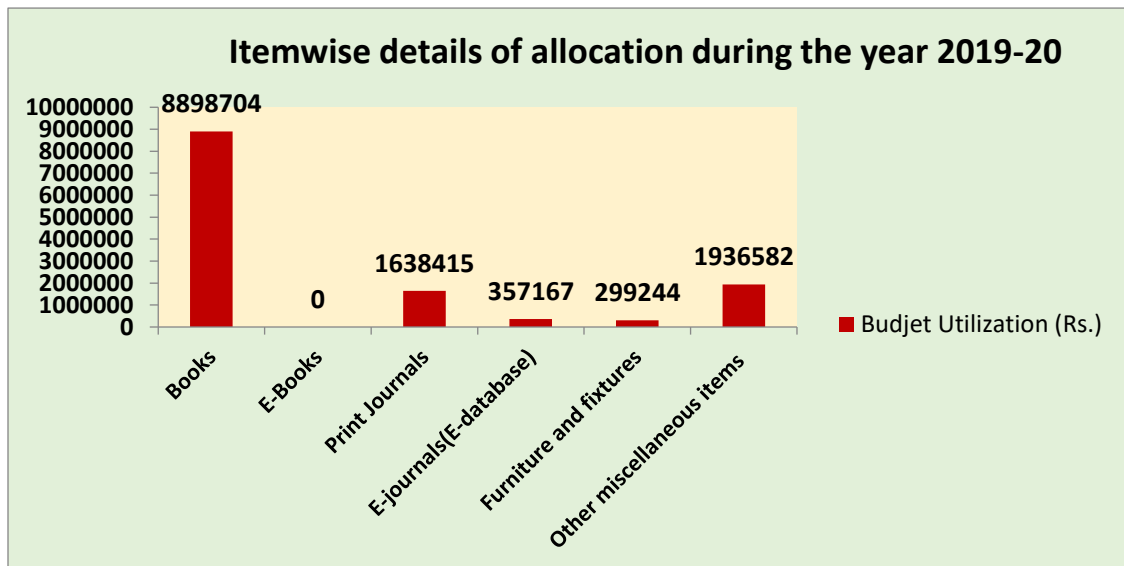
In the Year 2020-21 priority was given to E-books with the highest allocation of Budget, followed by other miscellaneous items like stationary, salary of staff, light bill etc., then priority given to E-journals (E-database) and print Indian and foreign journals.

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In the Year 2021-22 priority has been given to Print books with the highest allocation of Budget, followed by other miscellaneous items like stationary, salary of staff, light bill etc.

**Table 4. Itemwise details of allocation during the year 2019-20**

Item wise details of allocation	Budget Utilization (Rs.)
Books	8898704
E-Books	00
Print Journals	1638415
E-journals(E-database)	357167
Furniture and fixtures	299244
Other miscellaneous items	1936582



**Fig. 3. Item wise allocation by University Library, Navsari Agricultural University, Navsari budget During last Five years**

**Table 5. Item wise details of allocation during the year 2020-21**

Item wise details of allocation	Budget Utilization (Rs.)
Books	00
E-Books	1560753
Print Journals	113980
E-journals(E-database)	855245
Furniture and fixtures	00
Other miscellaneous items	1499847

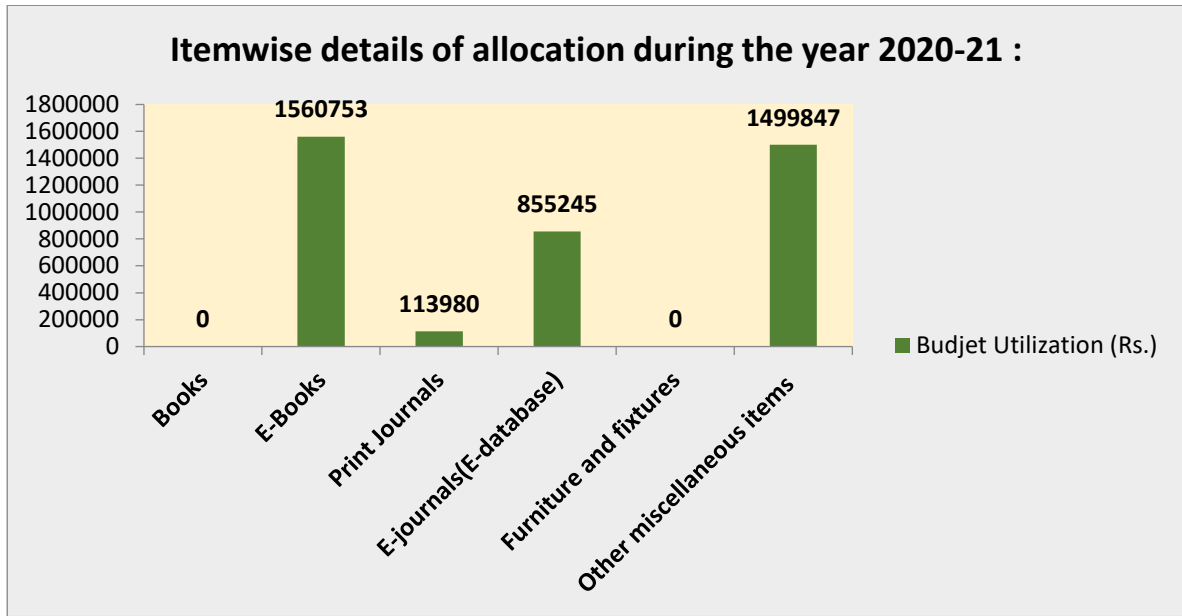


Fig. 4. Item wise details of allocation during the year 2020-21

Table 6. Item wise details of allocation during the year 2021-22

Item wise details of allocation	Budget Utilization (Rs.)
Books	2982950
E-Books	00
Print Journals	00
E-journals(E-database)	00
Furniture and fixtures	00
Other miscellaneous items	1552154

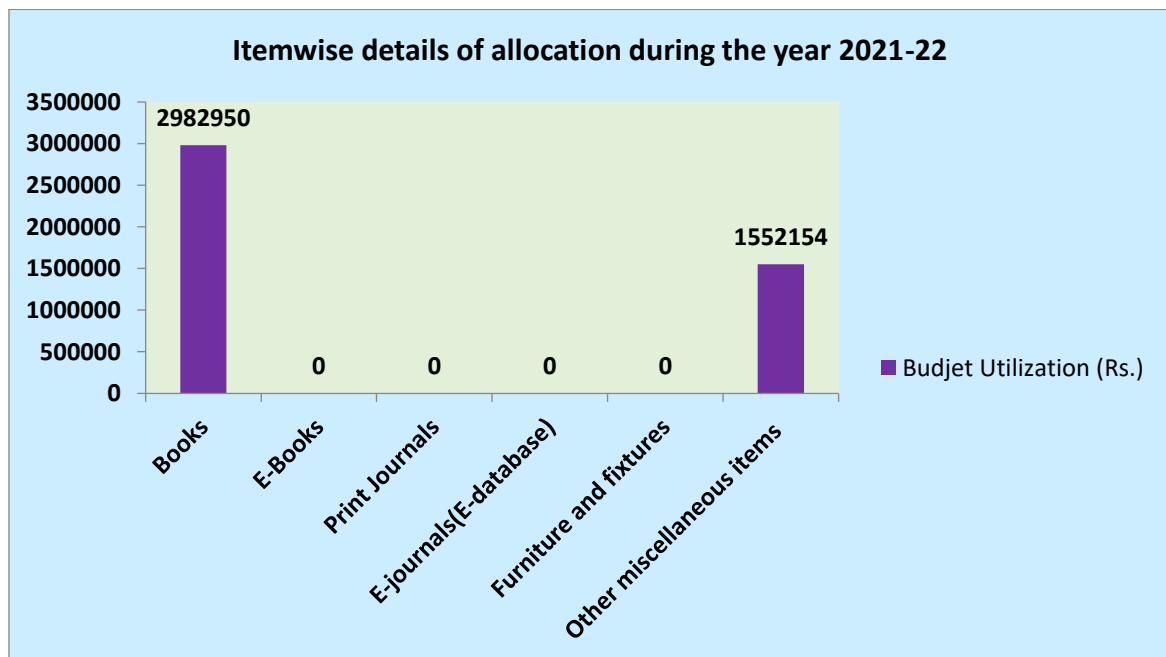
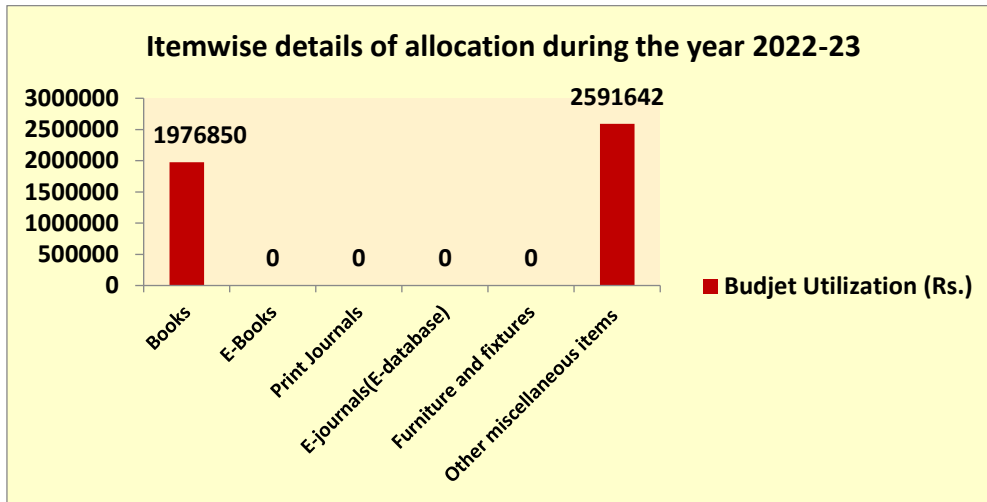


Fig. 5. Item wise details of allocation during the year 2021-22

**Table 7. Item wise details of allocation during the year 2022-23**

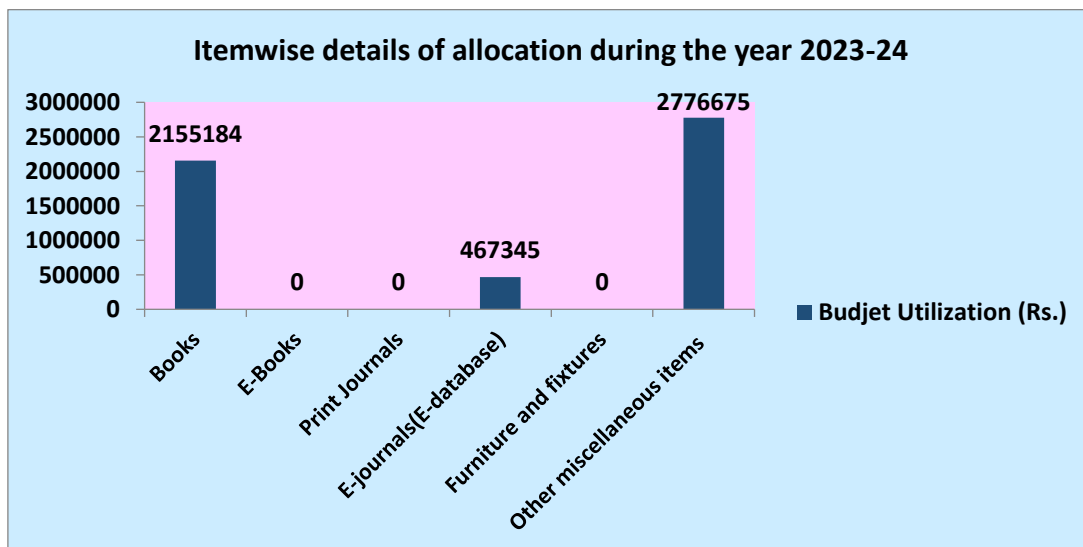
Item wise details of allocation	Budget Utilization (Rs.)
Books	1976850
E-Books	00
Print Journals	00
E-journals(E-database)	00
Furniture and fixtures	00
Other miscellaneous items	2591642



**Fig. 6. Item wise details of allocation during the year 2022-23**

**Table 8. Item wise details of allocation during the year 2023-24**

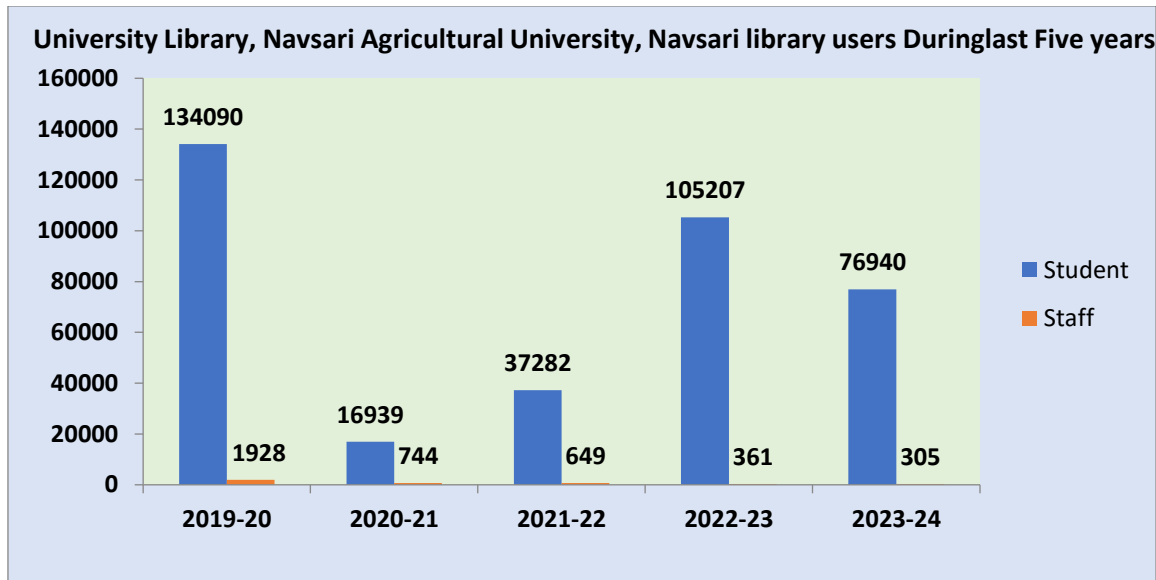
Item wise details of allocation	Budget Utilization (Rs.)
Books	2155184
E-Books	00
Print Journals	00
E-journals(E-database)	467345
Furniture and fixtures	00
Other miscellaneous items	2776675



**Fig. 7. Item wise details of allocation during the year 2023-24**

**Table 9. University Library, Navsari Agricultural University, Navsari library users During last Five years as follow**

Library users	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
Student	134090	16939	37282	105207	76940
Staff	1928	744	649	361	305



**Fig. 8. University Library, Navsari Agricultural University, Navsari library users During last Five years**

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**Analysis: -**

- Highest allocation of budget in the year 2019-20 and lowest in the year 2020-21
- Highest allocation of budgets was to Printed books in the year 2019-20 to 2023-24
- Allocation in purchasing Furniture and fixtures in the year 2019-20 only during last five years.
- Allocation in purchasing E-books in the year 2019-20 only during last five years.
- Allocation in purchasing E-journals(E-database) in the year 2019-20, 2020-21 and 2023-24 during last five years.

In the Year 2019-20 Highest users has been use the service of University library, Navsari Agricultural University, Navsari also highest budget also allocated in this year after that in the year 2020-21 users decreasing because of CORONA effect after that it again increasing in the year 2021-22 onwards (Krishna et al. 2020).

**2. CONCLUSION**

Looking at all the above analysis, one can say that Budget allocation of University Library, Navsari agricultural university and utilization of it is very scientific and proper way. Budget has been allocated item wise by the need of their users such as students, faculty and research scholar. It is also prove the data of users during the last five years, users use this resources in very large number. So in the conclusion It is proven that budget allocation is very sufficient and utilization is also very useful and effective way.

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