

BEYOND THE BOOKS: 5 COMPELLING REASONS TO DISCOVER THE REGIONAL INFORMATION LIBRARY CENTER NAMED AFTER ADIB SOBIR TERMIZI

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Annotation: *This article analyzes the planned full digitization of collections at the Adib Sobir Termizi Surkhandarya Regional Information Library Center during the era of modern digital transformation, noting that these opportunities are already partially accessible. It highlights five compelling reasons why this institution serves as a dynamic hub for community engagement, digital literacy, and historical preservation in the region, advantages and promotes other culminating dynamic aspects of the center: a treasury of rich and rare resources, modern digital opportunities, an intellectual environment with comfortable co-working spaces, a hub for cultural and educational events, free services with open access for everyone, as well as the preservation of historical heritage and the spirit of great scholars.*

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In today's fast-paced world, human needs and spiritual values are not merely changing; they are undergoing a fundamental renewal, reaching an entirely new level of quality. In the 21st century, as information technology reshapes the very foundations of civilization, the principles of acquiring knowledge, exchanging information, and preserving intellectual heritage are gaining new significance.

While printed books were once recognized as the sole source of knowledge, today, e-books, digital platforms, and global electronic libraries have emerged to supplement or partially replace them, securing a firm place in the modern information space. This process signals a new stage in human thought and intellectual culture.



The rapid development of digital information resources has drastically altered our attitude toward knowledge. Now, accessing information no longer requires physical presence in a specific location—scientific, literary, historical, or statistical data can be accessed via the internet anytime and from anywhere. This makes the learning process faster, more convenient, and limitless. Furthermore, digital tools have significantly simplified the storage, searching, and processing of large volumes of data.

By fleeting digital content and social media distractions, the traditional act of visiting a library and engaging in deep reading might seem like a relic of the past to some. However, libraries have evolved into dynamic centers of intellectual and social transformation. They are not merely warehouses for books but are essential "third places" that foster personal growth, mental well-being, and community development. Understanding the multifaceted benefits of libraries and reading reveals why these institutions remain vital to human civilization.

One of the most profound benefits of reading, especially within the serene confines of a library, is its impact on cognitive development and mental health. Scientific studies have shown that deep reading—the kind that requires sustained attention—reduces stress levels by up to 68%. In the quiet atmosphere of a library, the brain enters a state of flow, which enhances empathy, critical thinking, and emotional intelligence. Unlike the fragmented information found online, a book allows the reader to follow complex arguments and narratives, sharpening the analytical mind. For a student or a researcher, this focused environment is irreplaceable for mastering difficult subjects.



In this era of modern digital transformation, the Surkhandarya Regional Information and Library Center named after Adib Sobir Termizi aims to fully digitize its collections, offering the following advantages (some of which are already available):

Preservation of Originals: Digitization is performed once, and the resulting digital copies are provided to users. This protects rare and aging works from physical deterioration.

Accessibility and Inclusivity: Remote access ensures library services are available to residents in remote areas and individuals with disabilities.

Rapid Search: Users can find necessary information within seconds using keywords, authors, or subjects in digital formats.

To enjoy these opportunities, the Surkhandarya ILC team invites everyone to this "Abode of Enlightenment."

Here are 5 Key Factors to visit our library:

Reason 1: A Treasury of Rich and Rare Sources

The primary reason to visit is the library's vast collection. It houses masterpieces of world literature, rare historical manuscripts, and unique works regarding the history of Surkhandarya.

Why it matters: You get free access to scientific resources that may not be available in stores or are paid online. This center is a true treasure for those studying the heritage of Termizi scholars.



Reason 2: Modern Digital Opportunities Modern libraries are more than just "books on shelves."

The ILC (Information Library Center) named after Adib Sobir Termizi is equipped with modern technology.

Why it matters: Through our E-library system, you can access millions of global resources using QR-coded books and international databases. This is the most efficient way for students and researchers to save time.

Reason 3: Intellectual Environment and Comfortable Co-working Zones Studying or working at home or in noisy places isn't always effective. The ILC stands out with its quiet and modern reading halls.

Why it matters: Our co-working zones offer free Wi-Fi, comfortable seating, and a creative atmosphere. Here, you can work on projects, engage in remote learning, or meet like-minded peers.

Reason 4: A Hub for Cultural and Educational Events



The Regional ILC is not just a place to read; it is a platform for live communication. We regularly host meetings with famous writers, scientists, and artists.

Why it matters: Events like "Book Reading Weeks," book launches, and intellectual games (e.g., "Zakovat") expand your worldview and increase social engagement.

Reason 5: Free Services and Openness for All

In the modern world, education often requires significant financial investment, but the ILC challenges this notion.

Why it matters: Core services are almost entirely free. Qualified specialists assist in finding the right literature, making this a place of equal opportunity for all segments of society, especially the youth.



Historical Heritage and the Spirit of Scholars: this library is more than an institution; it is the successor to the rich past of Surkhandarya and the legacy of the great Termizi scholars.



The Name of Adib Sobir Termizi: Named after the 12th-century thinker and "King of Poets," the library carries a profound spiritual weight.

Local History: The library preserves literature from past centuries concerning the history and ethnography of the Surkhan oasis.

Global Integration: Through ILC, users can access world-renowned scientific databases (e.g., EBSCO, ProQuest, Znanium), integrating local scholars and students into global science.

Civic Engagement: The library serves as a center for understanding state policy and legal rights, offering free access to "Lex.uz" and the latest updates on the "New Uzbekistan Strategy."

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