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Country Report [Period Coverage: 1 January 2023 – 31 December 2023]

Name of Country : JORDAN

Name of Library : DEPARTMENT OF THE NATIONAL LIBRARY

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1 Facts and Figures

Sn	Item Description	Figures
а	Operating Budget	
	i. Government	1.637.000 JD
	ii. External Sources	No ES
b	Total Staff (FTE)	102
	i. Graduate or Post Graduate with library qualifications	18
	ii. Other Qualifications	94
С	Collection Size	
	i. Physical collection	2.973.256
	ii. Digital collection preserved	1.872.679
d	Visitorship (Annual)	
	i. Physical visits to reading rooms	2.000
	ii. Digital visits to websites	450.000
е	Inter Library Loans provided (Annual)	NA

2 Overview of Major or New Developments in Library Buildings, Collections, Access or Services [Please provide a maximum of 5 highlights]

- 1- Expansion of the fourth floor to establish a separate section for periodicals and references and to establish an equipped Training Lab.
- 2-Expansion of the Grand Floor to establish the Cultural Salon for cultural events and meetings.
- 3- Completion of the second phase of the solar energy project.

3 Collaborations with Libraries, Archives and Museums in your Country [Please provide a maximum of 5 highlights]

- 1- collaboration with Shoman Library the cultural entity of Abdul Hameed Shoman Foundation and in celebration of the National Day for Reading, (Reading Marathon) the cultural event whose idea is to promote the practice of reading in an interactive way, where visitors read a specific number of pages of books during specific hours with the aim of encouraging reading, creating small reading communities, and introducing readers to new books outside their usual interests. (4500) pages were read by visitors of the National Library, while the number of pages read in Jordan reached 3,115,583 pages.
- 2- Signing a Cooperation Protocol with the National Library of Palestine, accordingly 18 trainees from the National Library of Palestine were trained in the JNL on the following topics:
 - * Legal Deposit
 - * Library services
 - * Electronic archiving
 - * Technical procedures for documentation operations
 - * Information and digitization services
 - * Public relations
- 3- Signing MOU's with Academic Libraries in Al- Al Bayt University, Aqaba University of Technology, Al-Balga University, Petra University.

4 International Collaborations such as Formal Arrangements for Cooperation with National Libraries [Please provide a maximum of 5 highlights]

- Signing A scientific Cooperation Agreement with Aix-Marseille University/ France with the main objective of cooperation in preservation of Oral Heritage.