

**PRESIDENT'S SECRETARIAT (PUBLIC)
PRESS WING**

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ISLAMABAD: NOVEMBER 15, 2018: President Dr. Arif Alvi along-with First Lady Mrs. Samina Alvi visited the National Library of Pakistan today. Minister for Federal Education, Professional Training and National Heritage Mr. Shafqat Mahmood welcomed the President on his arrival. The President visited various Sections of the Library.

During his round of the Section for the People with special needs "Gosha-e-Noor", the President had brief discussion with the 'People with special needs' who were visiting the Library. He appreciated the administration of National Library for establishing counters and dedicated computers with other facilities for such people. He asked the Minister for Federal Education, Professional Training and National Heritage to ensure the provision of high standard of facilities to special people. He also said that he would recommend the inclusion of sign language in News bulletin and TV programs for the benefit of the people with hearing disability.

The President also visited different corners established under MoUs with the libraries of the other countries including Tajikistan, Turkey, Belarus, Azerbaijan, USA, Cuba and Bulgaria. He also witnessed the digitalization of rare and historic books and newspapers in the archive Section of the Library and appreciated this effort to preserve the history.

The President also inaugurated the 'Presidential Corner' in the Library.
