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A Library For The New Millennium

The Sunway College Tun Hussein Onn Library is providing more efficient services to readers. Towards this end, the Library has purchased a specialised software system called "Advance." This system is used by many American, Australian and Canadian libraries. Locally, it is installed in the Multimedia University. The software is Y2K-compliant; it has the Z39.50 communications protocol, thus permitting data exchange with other Z39.50 libraries (e.g. Oxford, MIT and Monash). User benefits include a powerful, friendly and informative web-based OPAC environment. The system went "live" in August 1999.

To equip Tun Hussein Onn Library staff with the necessary skills to use the package, library staff went through a 2-week training programme.