

- Relevant India Office Archives (microfilm);
- Complete collection of Brussels Information Centre on Eastern Arabia (1969-1979);
- Complete *Middle East Economic Digest* press cuttings and periodicals (from 1956). Microfiche copies of the former will be available for purchase;
- All possible reports and statistical information produced by ministries, monetary agencies, banks, oil companies, etc.;
- Journals and other publications of Arab Gulf universities and research centres;
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- Selected Arab Gulf newspapers and periodicals.

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