A leading newspaper publisher
A leading English-language broadsheet daily newspaper publisher

Project / Service Category
Scanning Services

Services provided
Onsite Scanning

Digitizing Fragile Newspapers Collections

Background
The client wanted to digitize their vast collection of fragile physical newspapers from 1918 onwards, to create a digital repository for enabling easy search and retrieval.

Challenges
- Fragile old newspaper publications from 1918 onwards
- Fragile and brittle materials needed special care while flipping over pages
- Unbinding historical books for scanning
- Rebinding historical books - back to its original condition after scanning
- Specialized storage equipment to preserve and keep the material flat to avoid damage to the oversized books

Solution
The key focus of the project was to assist the client to digitize the physical newspapers for preservation. Before commencing the project, we inspected the materials to assess the physical condition and determine the scanning approach for the highly fragile historic publications. The historic materials required special care and attention, as they were extremely fragile and dusty. We deployed Bookeye planetary scanner as it accommodates broadsheets greater than A1 paper size. This approach helped us to meet the customer expectations.

Benefits
- Our client was able to complete this project within the budget by utilizing HTC’s existing infrastructure
- Optimal throughput to meet the client’s business needs
- The scanning equipment and experienced staff ensured that the source materials were not damaged during scanning
- Inbuilt book fold correction, digital color balance, and integrated ICC profile produced high quality scanned output

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