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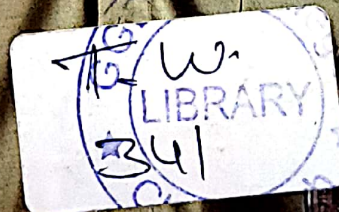
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—Ashwini Vaishnaw,
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- "Emphasis should be placed on sending Indian students and young professionals to Taiwan to study semiconductor design"

—Mumin Chen,
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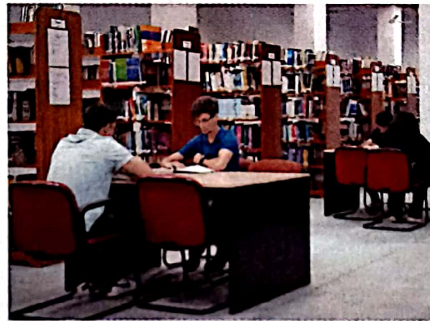
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