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#### Library website:

<http://172.16.2.132/library/index.php> (Intranet)

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### OPEN ACCESS @ VISVA-BHARATI LIBRARY NETWORK

#### What is Open Access?

Open access means free availability to all. In the academic context it implies free access to scientific and technical information as soon as it is published.

- ❖ Open access is free availability of articles/information on the public→ Internet, permitting any user to read, download, copy, distribute, print, search or link to the full text, crawl them for indexing, pass them as data to software or use them for any other lawful purpose, without financial, legal or technical barriers other than those inseparable from gaining access to the Internet itself. The only constraint on reproduction and distribution, and the only role for copyright in this domain, should be to give authors control over the integrity of their works and the right to be properly acknowledged and cited. (*Budapest Open Access Initiative*)
- ❖ Overall Open Access is
  - a. Free of charge
  - b. Free of most copyright and licensing restrictions
  - c. Free to read, download, copy, distribute, print, search or link to the full texts
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  - f. Open to all

#### Why Open Access?

- ❖ It can increase the discoverability of research. This increased visibility has the potential to lead to a larger readership which, in turn, could result in more citations, both of which can help in one's career.
- ❖ The articles are free for access as soon as they are published. Research articles published in OA have the→ potential to reach wide audience, often beyond their traditional subject fields and outside academia.
- ❖ No barriers to readership can benefit interdisciplinary research or research that is likely to be of interest to the media; it's also ideal if those who want their research to reach and influence policymakers or practitioners.
- ❖ Dwindling fund and increasing demands for highly priced journals are the most challenging issues in the research activities face today. Open Access is a solution.
- ❖ Publishers seek transfer of copyright in their favour in lieu of publication of an author's article and he/she has no other alternative other than to give away their copyrights to their articles.

- ❖ Articles freely available online are more highly cited. For greater impact and faster scientific progress, authors and publishers should aim to make research easy to access.

### How to publish in Open Access?

Two of the way's authors can provide open access are:

- ❖ **Green Open Access:** Self-archiving one's journal articles in an open access repository is known as 'Green Open Access'. Authors self-archive their articles that are already published in a journal for free public use in their institutional repositories, in a central repository (such as PubMed Central) or in some other open access websites. These journals provide free access to all articles and utilize a form of licensing that puts minimal restrictions on the use of articles such as the Creative Commons Attribution License. Example: Biomedical Digital Libraries. [A Creative Commons (CC) license is one of several public copyright licenses that enable the free distribution of an otherwise copyrighted work. A CC license is used when an author wants to give people (like non-commercial users) the right to share, use, and build upon a work that they have created.]  
The Registry of Open Access Repositories (ROAR) indexes the creation, location and growth of open access institutional repositories and their contents.
- ❖ **Gold Open Access:** Publishing in an open access journal is known as 'Gold Open Access'. Gold open access provides immediate open access to all of one's articles, usually on the publisher's website. Hybrid open access journals are subscription journals that provide gold open access only for those individual articles for which their authors (or their author's institution or funder) pay an open access publishing fee. These journals provide free access to all articles and utilize a variety of copyright statements (e.g the journal's copyright statement may grant liberal educational copying provisions), but they do not use a Creative Commons Attribution License or similar license. Example: The Public-Access Computer Systems Review.

### Open Access at Visva-Bharati Library Network

The Visva-Bharati Library Network promotes open access through its institutional repository (IR) which contains articles by faculty, syllabi, past question papers and open archives.

Name of the Project and Institute	Links / URLs
Bielefeld Academic Search Engine (Search 20,94,46,700 documents from 8,189 countries; all subjects of universe)	<a href="https://www.base-search.net/">https://www.base-search.net/</a>
Discover 3,87,65,274 images, texts, videos and sounds from across the United States	<a href="https://dp.la/">https://dp.la/</a>
FreeFullPDF (Search 53+crore documents from all subjects of universe)	<a href="https://www.freefullpdf.com/#gsc.tab=0">https://www.freefullpdf.com/#gsc.tab=0</a>
Assam Archive for the Subjects like, Botany   Chemistry   Communication and Journalism   Dictionary / Abhidhan   Economics   Education   History   Library and Information Science   Philosophy   Physics   Political Science	<a href="https://www.assamarchive.com/">https://www.assamarchive.com/</a>
A Project of NME-ICT	<a href="https://sakshat.ac.in/">https://sakshat.ac.in/</a>
Project Samarth: Smarter Automation Engine for Universities Initiative under "National Mission in Education through ICT"	<a href="https://samarth.edu.in/">https://samarth.edu.in/</a>
NROER is a collaborative platform, which brings together everyone interested in school and teacher education.	<a href="https://nroer.gov.in/welcome">https://nroer.gov.in/welcome</a>
Commonwealth of Learning Directory of Open Educational Resources (DOER)	<a href="http://doer.col.org/">http://doer.col.org/</a>
eGyanKosh- a National Digital Repository to store, index, preserve, distribute and share the digital learning resources developed by the Open and Distance Learning Institutions in the country. Items in eGyanKosh are protected by copyright, with all rights reserved by IGNOU, unless otherwise indicated.	<a href="http://egyankosh.ac.in/">http://egyankosh.ac.in/</a>
The Universal Digital Library (Million Book Collection)	<a href="http://ulib.isri.cmu.edu/ULIBOurCollections.htm">http://ulib.isri.cmu.edu/ULIBOurCollections.htm</a>
Free Ebooks Library- Download PDF Ebooks, Read Ebooks Online	<a href="http://ebooksgo.org/index.html">http://ebooksgo.org/index.html</a>
Books by Tagore	<a href="https://tagoreweb.in">https://tagoreweb.in</a>
Complete Works of Gandhi	<a href="https://www.gandhiashramsev">https://www.gandhiashramsev</a>

For Indian Rare Books	<a href="https://rarebooksocietyofindia.org/home.php">https://rarebooksocietyofindia.org/home.php</a>
Books on Common Interest in Bengali and English	<a href="https://m.facebook.com/permalink.php?story_fbid=1777857742270801&amp;id=202350839821507">https://m.facebook.com/permalink.php?story_fbid=1777857742270801&amp;id=202350839821507</a> <a href="https://drive.google.com/open?id=1DARIBVev7ZPOO8uikYnLucs8Q6mx116J">https://drive.google.com/open?id=1DARIBVev7ZPOO8uikYnLucs8Q6mx116J</a>
BDeBooks (For more than 10000 Bengali Books)	<a href="https://bdebooks.com/books/">https://bdebooks.com/books/</a>
Bharat Study Online for Online teaching and learning (around 22000 course module)	<a href="https://bharatstudy.online">https://bharatstudy.online</a>
BoiSamahar Apps from Google Play store for Bengali Books	<a href="https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.senani.BoiSamahar">https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.senani.BoiSamahar</a>
Amader Bharat (For updated news in Bengali)	<a href="https://www.amaderbharat.com/">https://www.amaderbharat.com/</a>
SWAYAM Online Courses	<a href="https://storage.googleapis.com/uniquecourses/online.html">https://storage.googleapis.com/uniquecourses/online.html</a>
SWAYAM Prabha	<a href="https://www.swayamprabha.gov.in/">https://www.swayamprabha.gov.in/</a>
Virtual Labs	<a href="https://www.vlab.co.in">https://www.vlab.co.in</a>
e-Yantra	<a href="https://www.e-yantra.org/">https://www.e-yantra.org/</a>
E-Kalpa	<a href="https://icar.org.in/content/e-kalpa">https://icar.org.in/content/e-kalpa</a>
FOSSEE	<a href="https://fossee.in/">https://fossee.in/</a>
Vidwan	<a href="https://vidwan.inflibnet.ac.in/">https://vidwan.inflibnet.ac.in/</a>
Talk To a Teacher	<a href="https://www.ted.com/playlists/182/talks_from_inspiring_teachers">https://www.ted.com/playlists/182/talks_from_inspiring_teachers</a>
ShodhGangotri	<a href="https://shodhgangotri.inflibnet.ac.in/">https://shodhgangotri.inflibnet.ac.in/</a>
Shodhganga	<a href="https://shodhganga.inflibnet.ac.in/">https://shodhganga.inflibnet.ac.in/</a>
e-ShodhSindhu	<a href="https://ess.inflibnet.ac.in/">https://ess.inflibnet.ac.in/</a>
Infoport	<a href="https://infoport.inflibnet.ac.in/">https://infoport.inflibnet.ac.in/</a>
AGRIS	<a href="https://agris.fao.org/agris-search/index.do">https://agris.fao.org/agris-search/index.do</a>
LibriVox –Audio Books for Visually Impaired	<a href="https://librivox.org/">https://librivox.org/</a>
UG/PG Moocs	<a href="http://ugcmoocs.inflibnet.ac.in/ugcmoocs/moocs_courses.php">http://ugcmoocs.inflibnet.ac.in/ugcmoocs/moocs_courses.php</a>
e-PG Pathshala:	<a href="https://epgp.inflibnet.ac.in/">https://epgp.inflibnet.ac.in/</a>
e-content courseware in UG subjects	<a href="http://cec.nic.in/cec/">http://cec.nic.in/cec/</a>
National Digital Library	<a href="https://ndl.iitkgp.ac.in/">https://ndl.iitkgp.ac.in/</a>
West Bengal Secretariat Library	<a href="http://wbsl.gov.in/homePage.action">http://wbsl.gov.in/homePage.action</a>
West Bengal Public Library Network	<a href="http://www.wbpublibnet.gov.in/">http://www.wbpublibnet.gov.in/</a>
World Digital Library	<a href="https://www.wdl.org/en/">https://www.wdl.org/en/</a>
South Asia Archive	<a href="http://www.southasiaarchive.com">http://www.southasiaarchive.com</a>
CEC-UGC YouTube Channel	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/user/cecedusat">https://www.youtube.com/user/cecedusat</a>
NPTEL (National Program on Technology Enhanced Learning)	<a href="https://nptel.ac.in">https://nptel.ac.in</a>
National Knowledge Network	<a href="http://nkn.gov.in/en/">http://nkn.gov.in/en/</a>
Spoken Tutorial	<a href="http://spoken-tutorial.org/">http://spoken-tutorial.org/</a>
Directory of Open Access Books	<a href="https://doabooks.org/">https://doabooks.org/</a>
Directory of Open Access Journals	<a href="https://doaj.org/">https://doaj.org/</a>
Open Knowledge Repository – World Bank	<a href="https://openknowledge.worldbank.org/">https://openknowledge.worldbank.org/</a>
Directory of Open Access Repositories	<a href="http://v2.sherpa.ac.uk/opensoar/">http://v2.sherpa.ac.uk/opensoar/</a>
Open Access Theses & Dissertations	<a href="https://oatd.org/">https://oatd.org/</a>
Springer Open Journals	<a href="https://springeropen.com/journals-a-z">https://springeropen.com/journals-a-z</a>
Taylor and Francis Open Access	<a href="https://tandfonline.com/openaccess">https://tandfonline.com/openaccess</a>
Science Direct Open Access Content	<a href="https://www.sciencedirect.com/browse/journals-and-books/accesstype=openaccess">https://www.sciencedirect.com/browse/journals-and-books/accesstype=openaccess</a>
Southern Connecticut State University	<a href="https://libguides_southernct.edu/openaccess/">https://libguides_southernct.edu/openaccess/</a>
Cambridge University Press	<a href="https://www.cambridge.org/core/what-we-publish/open-access">https://www.cambridge.org/core/what-we-publish/open-access</a>
Oxford Open	<a href="https://academic.oup.com/journals/pages/open_access">https://academic.oup.com/journals/pages/open_access</a>
PubMed Central (PMC)	<a href="https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/">https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/</a>
SNLTR	<a href="https://nltr.org/">https://nltr.org/</a>
Legal Information Institute of India	<a href="https://www.commonlii.org/resources/221.html">https://www.commonlii.org/resources/221.html</a>

Legal Information Institute of India	<a href="https://www.commonlii.org/resources/221.html">https://www.commonlii.org/resources/221.html</a>
Project Gutenberg	<a href="https://dev.gutenberg.org/">https://dev.gutenberg.org/</a>
WiKi Books	<a href="https://www.wikibooks.org/">https://www.wikibooks.org/</a>
Text Book Revolution	<a href="http://textbookrevolution.org/index.php/Main_Page">http://textbookrevolution.org/index.php/Main_Page</a>
Highwire	<a href="https://www.highwirepress.com/">https://www.highwirepress.com/</a>
NCERT	<a href="http://www.ncert.nic.in/index.html">http://www.ncert.nic.in/index.html</a>
NCERT ePathshala	<a href="http://epathshala.nic.in/e-pathshala-4/">http://epathshala.nic.in/e-pathshala-4/</a>
National Repository of Open Educational Resources	<a href="http://nroer.gov.in">http://nroer.gov.in</a>
Project Oscar	<a href="http://oscar.iitb.ac.in">http://oscar.iitb.ac.in</a>
Ebasta	<a href="https://www.ebasta.in/">https://www.ebasta.in/</a>
CBSE	<a href="http://cbse.nic.in/welcome.htm">http://cbse.nic.in/welcome.htm</a>
Examfear	<a href="http://www.examfear.com/">http://www.examfear.com/</a>
Next Big What	<a href="http://www.nextbigwhat.com/understanding-the-e-learning-market-in-india-297/">http://www.nextbigwhat.com/understanding-the-e-learning-market-in-india-297/</a>
Class on the Web	<a href="http://www.classontheweb.com">www.classontheweb.com</a>
Online Laboratory	<a href="http://www.olabs.edu.in/">http://www.olabs.edu.in/</a>
Khan Academy	<a href="https://www.khanacademy.org/">https://www.khanacademy.org/</a>
Childrens Library	<a href="http://en.childrenslibrary.org/index.shtml">http://en.childrenslibrary.org/index.shtml</a>
Childrens Books for Ever	<a href="http://www.childrensbooksforever.com/">http://www.childrensbooksforever.com/</a>
Teaching Ideas	<a href="http://www.teachingideas.co.uk/">http://www.teachingideas.co.uk/</a>
Story Place	<a href="https://www.storyplace.org/">https://www.storyplace.org/</a>
Oxford OWL	<a href="https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/">https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/</a>
Central Institute of Educational Technology	<a href="http://www.ciet.nic.in/index.php">http://www.ciet.nic.in/index.php</a>
PDF Drive is a search engine for PDF files. As of today, 83,818,412 eBooks to download for free. No annoying ads, no download limits	<a href="https://www.pdfdrive.com/commerce-books.html">https://www.pdfdrive.com/commerce-books.html</a>

### SOME RECENT ACTIVITIES:

- **Webinar:** The Proctor Office of Visva-Bharati and Visva-Bharati Library Network has jointly organized a webinar on “Stress Management and Relief for Students of Higher Educational Institutions” for the students of the University on October 14, 2020 at 5.00pm through Cisco WebEx platform. Dr Saugata Bandyopadhyay and Dr Rajashree Roy, two eminent psychiatrists associated with the Indian Psychiatric Society (IPS) and Prof. Samiran Mandal, Department of Physical Education, Visva-Bharati was the resource persons and delivered talks on the topic. Participation of the students in the question-answering session was notable.
- **Webinar:** The Proctor Office of Visva-Bharati and Visva-Bharati Library Network has jointly organized another webinar on “Stress Management: An approach towards stress relief for the students of Higher Education Institutions” for the students of the University on October 20, 2020 at 4.00pm through Cisco WebEx platform. Dr Mondira Banerjee, Psychiatrists, Indian Psychiatrist Society (IPS); Dr Sridip Chatterjee, Department of Physical Education, Jadavpur University and Prof. Samiran Mandal, Department of Physical Education, Visva-Bharati was the resource persons and delivered talks on the topic. Participation of the students in the question-answering session was notable.
- **Documents / Article Delivery Services:** During the month 07 no. of soft copies of the articles have been collected and delivered through mail as requested by the academics/scholars.
- **Visit to Sectional Library:** University Librarian (Acting), Dr Nimai Chand Saha has visited to PSB, PSV and Siksha satra Library on 10 October 2020.
- **Similarity Checking Through URKUND Software:** On request from the academics 31 articles/ Files have been checked through URKUND software and report has been forwarded through mail.
- **Exhibition and Celebration of Important Days at Reference Section, Central Library:** Organized three special exhibitions of books and allied materials including quotations and photographs to celebrate;
  - 152<sup>nd</sup> Birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi on 2nd October 2020.
- **Meeting of E-resources Selection Committee:** Two meetings of E-resources Selection Committee have been arranged on 05 and 13 October to finalize the proposal of E-books procurement (perpetual access) out of the grant received Rs 100 lakh for the year 2019-20.



### SOME RECENT ACTIVITIES:

- **Online Ph.D. Open Viva Voce:** as discussed in a meeting and as instructed by the authority, VBLN has take-up the initiative to offer necessary technical-support for arranging Online Ph.D. Open Viva Voce on different dates. Altogether, five candidates (Department of Education, Vinaya Bhavanana, 05/10; two candidates of Department of Asamese, Bhasha Bhvana, 06/10; LLL&E, PSV, 16/10; RSSDD, Sangit Bhavana 06/10 & 16/10, have appeared in the online viva to complete the Ph.D. program in this pandemic day when viva in physical mode is not possible. Further, meeting of the Institute Board of Siksha Bhavana has been conducted on 03/10/2020
- **Remote Access Login/Password:** On request from the academics 02 new Remote Access including Discovery Services have been opened and on request around 06 existing expired accounts have been renewed for their accessibility. The name of the Remote Access platform is OpenAthens from the Ebsco Information Services.

### IMPORTANT LINKS:

**The Electronic Library of Mathematics (ELibM) ( <https://www.emis.de/ELibEMS.html> )**

Established 1996 — the longest-running and largest open access repository in mathematics. It contains online journals, article collections, monographs, and other electronic resources in the field of mathematics. All material is in electronic form and access is generally free, except for some periodicals with a "moving wall", i.e., a certain delay period after which resources become freely available. The Electronic Library of Mathematics is offered by FIZ Karlsruhe / zbMATH.

**Rare Book Room ( <http://www.rarebookroom.org/> )**

The "Rare Book Room" site has been constructed as an educational site intended to allow the visitor to examine and read some of the great books of the world.

Over the last decade, a company called "Octavo" digitally photographed some of the world 's great books from some of the greatest libraries. These books were photographed at very high resolution (in some cases at over 200 megabytes per page).

This site contains all of the books (about 400) that have been digitized to date. These range over a wide variety of topics and rarity. The books are presented so that the viewer can examine all the pages in medium to medium-high resolution.

### CONFERENCES/SEMINARS:

- 5-Day Workshop on Research Tools and Techniques, Organized by National Institute of Technology, Puducherry, Thiruvettakudy, Karaikal-609609, India, Date(s) of the Event: 23-27 November 2020. Website: <https://nitpy.ac.in>
- Webinar on research Integrity and Plagiarism Issues for Research Scholars, Organized by INFLIBNET, Gujrat, India. Date(s) of the Event: 17<sup>th</sup> November 2020. Website: [https://hrd.inflibnet.ac.in/docs/Research\\_Integrity](https://hrd.inflibnet.ac.in/docs/Research_Integrity)



Prof. Bhikhu Parekh (RHS) has delivered a lecture on “Why is Gandhi the Father of the Nation?” in the University Lecture Series on 12 October 2020.