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## Library Network *e-Newsletter*



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### Indian Citation Index(ICI): Reservoir of Indian R&D literature

Indian Citation Index (ICI) is developed by "The Knowledge Foundation" (a registered society) with the required support of M/s DIVA Enterprises Pvt. Ltd., which is one of the pioneers in India to develop, preserve, disseminate and serve customized knowledge products and services to scholarly world. Currently, Enterprise is publishing ~170 journals from India with one of the specific motives to promote knowledge contents published in local, national journals and bridge the gap between the content sources and content users through World Wide Web via full text online access. While working for online publishing and content delivery to users, the Enterprises in association with Mr. Prakash Chand former Scientist NISCAIR, CSIR felt that India is making substantial contribution in various domains of world knowledge but a tool to measure and evaluate such national knowledge is yet to take shape. Though, at international level few tools/databases are available but coverage of Indian contents particularly publish in the local, national journals are negligible. To bridge this gap, Mr. Prakash Chand, (The Knowledge Foundation) with the support of the Enterprises thought to bring out Indian Citation Index (ICI) database covering ~1000 top Indian scholarly journals encompassing all disciplines of knowledge. The ICI database enables access and empowers users to search, track, measure and collaborate in the sciences, social sciences, arts, and humanities to turns raw data/information into the powerful knowledge. ICI like other indexes enables user to move back in time to previously published papers, but uniquely one can also look forward in time to determine who has subsequently cited an earlier piece of research. This feature makes this database a specialized information product and highly useful for researchers, policy makers, decision takers, editors, librarians.

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(Intranet)

<http://14.139.211.2/library/index.php>  
(Internet)



<https://www.facebook.com/vbllibnet>



<http://14.139.211.2/mediawiki/index.php>

### Announcement: for two demonstration programmes

Visva-Bharati Library Network is going to organize demonstration programme on "Oxford Reference Spotify- 2018" by Oxford University Press and J-Gate Plus by Informatics at the Conference Hall, Central Library on 25 May 2018 at 11.00am onwards (tentative). All Concerned are cordially welcome to attend the event.

ICI provides a multidisciplinary research platform covering about 1000 scholarly journals from India. The ICI database also produces other useful byproducts like Indian Science Citation Index (ISCI), Indian Social Science and Humanities Citation Index (ISSHCI), Indian Journals Citation Reports (IJCR), Indian Science and Technology Abstracts (ISTA), and Directory of Indian Journals (DOIJ).



India is contributing good amount of knowledge but there is no tool for evaluation and measurement of its knowledge. At international level few tools/databases are available but coverage of Indian knowledge contents particularly published in local national journals are negligible. Therefore, these

tools/databases are not adequate to evaluate/ analyze India's knowledge contents. To resolve similar limitation, few countries, like China, Korea, Japan etc. have already brought out their own citation indexes. Mr. Prakash Chand, Ex Scientist NISCAIR, CSIR and M/s Enterprises with a view to address this long felt need have developed and brought out multidisciplinary Indian Citation Index (ICI) by scanning.

Indian Citation Index (ICI) is a home-grown abstracts and citation database, with multidisciplinary objective information/knowledge contents from about 1000 top Indian scholarly journals. It provides powerful search engine basically to perform search and evaluation for researchers, policy makers, decision makers etc. At present, it is planned to launch this long awaited and needed information tool with five years back files (depth) which would go over 10 years and beyond in a year's time. ICI database is a powerful tool to search, track, measure and collaborate in the sciences, social sciences, arts, and humanities raw data/information. Indian Citation Index (ICI) database is an abstracts and citation database intended to measure and perform two basic functions, general literature search and evaluation using citations similar to international databases.

Citations symbolize the association of R&D ideas. The references that researchers cite in their papers make explicit links between their current research and prior work in the literature archive. Indian Citation Index (ICI) use intellectual links by listing both cited and citing works. Like other indexes, this enables one to move back in time to previously published papers. But uniquely one can also look forward in time to determine who has subsequently cited an earlier piece of research.

### **Scope:**

Indian R&D literature across all disciplines i.e. science, technology, medicine, agriculture, social science and humanities get published in 1000 plus journals/ serials or in other documents emanating from India.

### **Objectives:**

- To ensure access to articles published in local Indian R&D literature at national & global level
- To reflect and represent true picture of locally published Indian scholarly contribution at national and global level
- To have an authentic tool/ground for effective, & rigorous evaluation of Indian scholarly works

### **Benefits & Resources:**

ICI can be used to learn more about how to discover and analyze data, track and measure trends and performance, and collaborate, author, and publish research. Following are the major benefits of having ICI in place for scholarly community:

- A comprehensive research & evaluation tool for Indian literature
- Facilitates comprehensive scientometric and bibliometric studies on Indian literature
- Helps to measure & analyze individual, institutional, regional, and national R&D output for strategic planning
- An authentic tool to generate complete and comprehensive analytic reports on the health of Indian R&D
- ICI can generate national R&D indicators like, Indian Journals Citation Reports, etc.
- Catalyze the image & visibility of Indian knowledge contents and publications
- Helps decision makers to arrive at some conclusive point to decide the superiority of competitor (s), for some awards, fellowships, recruitments etc.
- Provides a boost to Indian publishing industry at global level

- Authors irrespective of their affiliation and location may tend to publish their R&D findings in local national Journals of India

### Current Status:

- ✓ Fully matured product with ~935 Journals of all disciplines
- ✓ Holds 5,35,000+ Source Articles with 100, 00,000+ References Data
- ✓ Aims to enhance visibility, measurability & evaluation of knowledge productivity appear in journals published from India.

- ✓ Only tool for comprehensive analysis and evaluation of journals literature published from India
- ✓ Data depth is 12 years plus, i.e. 2004 onwards
- ✓ Tool for objective & comprehensive analysis of research productivity
- ✓ User friendly search & analytical features

### Login Process: Login to [www.indiancitationindex.com](http://www.indiancitationindex.com)

- Create a new account using valid email id as the username
- Get the confirmatory email along with the password in it
- Use that username & password to log on the website

### Some Recent Activities:

- **Special Session:** As requested by the Scholars and Faculty Members, one special session on “Zotero: An Open Reference Management Software” has been arranged on 24 April 2018. The demonstration was given by Sri Ajay Kumar Sharma, In-charge Cheena Bhavana Library and total eleven participants containing one faculty member and ten scholars have been attended the programme.
- **Cheena Bhavana Library:** One Computer system has been provided to Library users for accessing the library resources at Cheena Bhavana Library.
- **Siksha Bhavana Library:** Air-conditioners have been installed in the Book stack area to save the documents from decays and to offer minimum reading environment to the library readers.
- **Visitors:**
  - Minister of Cultural Affairs, Govt. of Bangladesh:** A team of 24 members lead by Md. Asaduzzaman Noor, Hon’ble Minister of Cultural Affairs, Govt. of Bangladesh and Prof. Sabujkoli Sen, Hon’ble Vice Chancellor, Visva-Bharati have been visited Central Library on 18 April 2018 at 12.10.pm. the team contains Officials of Bangladesh and Visva-Bharati.
  - Bangla Academy, Dhaka:** A team of 04 members, from Bangla Academy, Dhaka, Bangladesh led by Md. Faruque Hossain has visited Central Library on 29 April 2018.
  - Sri Salil Chandra Khan:** Sri Salil Chandra Khan, former faculty member, Library and Information Science, Rabindra Bharati University, Kolkata has visited Central Library on 27 April 2018.
- **Exhibition and Celebration of Important Days:** The Central Library organized special exhibitions in the Reference Section, of books and allied materials including quotations and photographs as special exhibition on;
  - 127<sup>th</sup> birth anniversary of Dr B. R. Ambedkar on 14 April 2018.
  - International Book and Copyright Day on 23 April 2018.
- **Article Delivery Services:** During the month 06 no. of soft copies of the articles have been collected and delivered through mail as requested by the academics/scholars in and out of the Visva-Bharati.
- **New Additions (Books) during the Month**
  - **Central Library**  
Number of Books received as Purchased : 17 (Acc. No. 431747 - 4317563)
  - **Hindi Bhavana Library**  
No. of Book received as Gift : 10 (Acc. No. HG227 - HG236)



## Conferences / Seminars / Workshops in Library & Information Science

1. Central Library, Central University of Kashmir in collaboration with ASIALA is going to organize 3 days International Conference from August 06- 08, 2018. The theme of the conference is Building Smart Libraries: Changes, Challenges, issues and Strategies. For more information, Brochure and Registration Form please visit [www.cukashmir.ac.in](http://www.cukashmir.ac.in) or [www.asiala.co.in](http://www.asiala.co.in).
2. Satyajit Ray Film & Television Institute, Kolkata is organizing a Training Programme on Library Automation (TPLA): emphasizing on digital and audio-visual media from 31<sup>st</sup> May to 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2018. For details: <http://srfti.ac.in/?p=7904>
3. National Conference on Modern Librarianship: Opportunities and Challenges, jointly organised by the Resource Centre, National Institute of Fashion Technology, Mumbai and Bombay Science Librarians' Association, Mumbai during June 8-9, 2018. For more details kindly visit: [NCML-2018](http://www.ncml2018.org).

## New Arrivals (Books and Periodicals)

[Books](#)(click)

[Journals](#) (click)

### Important Links: -

1. **Vidya-mitra:** Vidya-mitra is an online learning portal for all the e-content projects developed under the NME-ICT (National Mission on Education through Information and Communication Technology), MHRD. The portal provides facility to search and browse all hosted content wherein a learner can easily access the desired material including audio/video learning material, textual material, multimedia-enriched materials etc. through a single interface. URL: <http://content.inflibnet.ac.in/>
2. **National Knowledge Network (NKN):** National Knowledge Network project is aimed at establishing a strong and robust Indian network which will be capable of providing secure and reliable connectivity. Globally, frontier research and innovation are shifting towards multidisciplinary and collaborative paradigm and require substantial communication and computational power. In India, NKN with its multi-gigabit capability aims to connect all universities, research institutions, libraries, laboratories, healthcare and agricultural institutions across the country to address such paradigm shift. URL: <http://nkn.gov.in/home>



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