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News at a Glance

Library Membership Registration through Online: Guide for New Students



Online Library Membership Registration: Guide to New Student

One must first fill out the Online Membership Registration to get a new library card. The process of online registration is given below;

A. **Online Library Membership Registration:** Guide for New Library Card

Students/ Users are advised to follow the guidelines for filling up the Online Membership Registration as noted below;

1. Candidate must have one e-mail account.
2. Candidates may visit Central Library, Bhavana Library, or the Department to complete the online Membership Registration Form. They may also use their devices from anywhere through the link <https://vbu-opac.kohacloud.in/cgi-bin/koha/opac-memberentry.pl>. OR
 - a. Open Visva-Bharati Website (<https://visvabharati.ac.in/index.html/>).
 - b. Click Library (the third item of the website from the right-hand side) on the content page of the Visva-Bharati Website.
 - c. Click Library VBLN Discovery with OPAC (fifth item from the left-hand side), then click on <https://vbu-opac.kohacloud.in/>
3. Click on the “Login to your account” Menu bar; one window (box) will open.



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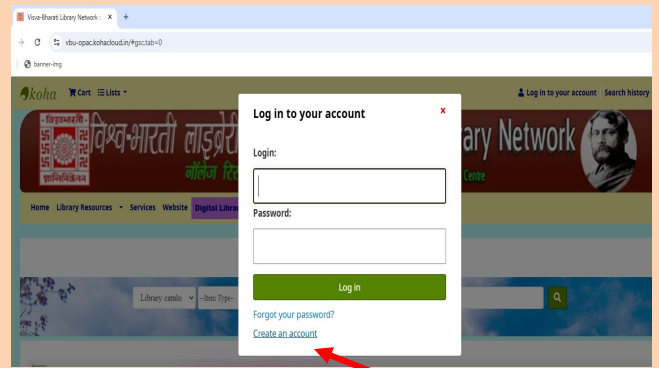
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6. Click on the “Login to your account” Menu bar; one window (box) will open.
7. Click on: ‘[Create an account](#). Register to open /get the registration form.
8. Fill up the form carefully. Recheck your e-mail ID and Mobile number properly (Address1– Permanent residential address, Address2-Local/temporary address) before submitting.
 - a. Use Upper Case (Capital Letters) in all columns except the e-mail address
 - b. For Password - Password must contain at least eight (8) characters, including UPPERCASE, lowercase, and numbers.
 - c. Member Location – The candidate has to select their department from the dropdown menu.



CLICK ON

Your personal details

Library
Home library: Librarian, Visva-Bharati

Identity
Salutation:
Surname: Required
First name: Required
Date of birth: Female: Male: Other: None specified:

Main address
Street number:
Address: Required
District:
City:
State:
ZIP/Postal code:
Country:
Phone:
Email:

Password
Password must contain at least 8 characters, including UPPERCASE, lowercase and numbers
If you do not enter a password a system generated password will be created.
Password: **Note Down The Password**
Confirm password:

Additional information
Member Location: Clear **Select Member Location**

Verification
Verification: Required
Please type the following characters into the preceding box: TDTDN

Click Here To Submit

9. Visit the Central Library Circulation Desk with the following Documents/Items
 - University ID Card,
 - University Enrolment Card,
 - Any Photo ID card as Address Proof.*[Faculty and Staff may bring their Joining Circular/ Report and c above]*
10. Intimate generated ID no (as mentioned in sl. no.10) to the staff of Circulation Desk, Central Library, and follow the advice from the staff.
11. Staff will capture one Photo of each candidate for the Library Card.
12. Visit again after two working days at the Circulation Desk, Central Library, to collect the Library Card.

After getting a library card, every member must search the library catalog and also check their transaction (issue/return of library book(s)) details through ‘My Account’ where the user ID will be the Library Card no. and for Password, you have to use your Password used during registration

B. How to search a book using OPAC: Students/ Users are advised to check the procedure given below to search a book.

Shown Below is an illustration of how to search the book “CLASSICAL MECHANICS” by Narayan Chandra Rana

1. Go to <https://vbu-opac.kohacloud.in/> and Login with your credentials.
2. Write Title of the book in Search box and click on search.
3. Select the Author and location of library (if required)
4. Now you can see which book(s) are available and which are not.
5. Click on any book which is available .
6. Note down the call number, barcode and location.
7. Go to Central Library or Sectional Library according to the location

NOTE: Books will generally be issued for 30 days and the term may be extended by a further period of 30 days at the discretion of the Librarian.

Number (of Books) and duration for issue:

Category of Members	Vols. at a time	Duration
Scholars-in-Residence	10	6 months
Post-graduate, Honours / Post Diploma / B.Ed Students	6	30 days
Certificate and Diploma Students of Language Groups, Kala, Sangit, Students of Patha-Bhavana (Senior) & Siksha Satra (Senior)	2	30 days

Recent activities:

➤ **Observation of Library Day – 2024: "The Library Day"** was observed by the Visva-Bharati Library Network (VBLN) on 20th December 2024 to commemorate the centenary foundation day of "Bengal Library Association (Bangiya Granthagar Parishad)" with due solemnity and grandeur. On this day, in the year 1925 the Bengal Library Association was established under the presidentship of Gurudev Rabindranath Tagore and the first secretary of the association was Mr. Sushil Kumar Ghosh. For the said VBLN has celebrated the day with great enthusiasm and different events such as a) Book Exhibition, b) Ceremonial Lecture C) Cultural Programme D) Quiz Competition etc.

The Conference Hall of the Central Library was filled to capacity. An inaugural song was performed by Miss. Sneha Roy, Student, Department of Physics, Siksha-Bhavana, which set the tune of the programme. As a tradition of Visva-Bharati all the guests were welcomed.

The audiences who were present at the conference hall were warmly welcomed with the introductory speech by Dr. Koushik Ghosh, Assistant Librarian & In-charge, Journal Section, Central Library. The programme was followed by an informative ceremonial lecture by Dr. Sanat Bhattacharya, Asst. Librarian and In-charge, Shiksha Bhavana Library, this session was presided over by Dr. Tapas Kumar Das, Deputy Librarian and In-Charge of Kala Bhavana Library. The recitation of self-composed poem by Sri Sukumar Das, Professional Assistant, PSV Library added another dimension by the event. Quiz competition was organized by Miss Puja Bachchan, Research Scholar, Dept. of Anthropology and also the member of Library Friends. It was very much enjoyable to the students and scholars. Dr. Tapas Kr Das in his concluding remarks mentioned about the significance of two essays of Rabindranath Tagore about Library in present day scenario.

The whole programme was nicely conducted/anchored by Dr Smritimoy Ghosh, Professional Assistant, Central Library who at the very beginning mentioned that this day is very significant to the Library Personnel of VBLN because the Library Day Celebration was started with presidentship of Gurudev Rabindranath Tagore. Assistant Librarian Sri Pradip Hembram congratulated everyone to make the occasion a grand success through his word of thanks.

➤ **Similarity Checking through URKUND Software: Similarity Checking through DrillBit Software:** Total 580 units or 106 (total 2791 from 01 October 2023 to 31 December 2024) Documents/Files/ Theses/ Articles/ have been checked through DrillBit during the month and on requirement, library has extended necessary assistance.

➤ **Documents / Article Delivery Services:** During the month 19 no. of soft copies of the articles have been collected and delivered through mail as requested by the academics/scholars.

Recent activities:

- **Five-day Webinar on “Research/Academic Skill Development Programme”:** Visva-Bharati Library Network organized a five-day webinar during 02-06 December 2024. The programme jointly coordinated by Dr Sanat Bhattacharya, Assistant Librarian & In-charge, Siksha Bhavana Library and Dr Koushik Ghosh, Assistant Librarian and In-charge, Journal Section & Circulation Section of the Central Library.

Date	Topic	Speakers
02/12/2024	Awareness on Cyber Crime and Security	Shri Rickey Agarwal, IPS , Sub-Divisional Police Officer, Santiniketan, Bolpur, Birbhum
03/12/2024	Kibo: One Solution for Multiple Needs to reach Visually Challenged Users	Shri Abhishek Sharma Sr.Business Development Executive, Kibo by Trestle Labs
04/12/2024	Creative Writing and Cinema	Shri Rana Mukherjee, IPS Additional Superintendent of Police Bolpur, Birbhum,
05/12/2024	QuillBot: A Friendly Tool to the Academics	Shri Pranab Badyal , Business Development Specialist
06/12/2024	Academic Integrity and Research Data Management	Prof. Saptarshi Ghosh , Department of Library and Information Science, North Bengal University

- **Exhibition and Celebration of Important Days:** Organized special exhibitions of books and allied materials including quotations and photographs to celebrate;
- On the occasion of International Day of Person with Disabilities (PWD) on 4 December 2024.
 - On the occasion of Library Day-2024, on 20 December 2023. The exhibition was remained open for the VB fraternity during 19-21 December 2024.
 - The Siksha-Bhavana Library** hosted a book exhibition on December 13, 2024 with the books purchased of various departments from the Annual Budget Allocation 2024–2025 after being suggested by the academic members of the Siksha-Bhavana. On the day, a total of 34 people, including academics, research scholars, and students from various departments, came to witness the book exhibition.
- **Visitors:** a) Sri Binay Kumar, Regional Director of NSS has visited Central Library on 18 December 2024.
- b) Sri Ashok Saha, State Director, WB and Andaman & Nicobar Islands; Nehru Yuva Kendra Samgathan – WB, Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Govt. of India, has visited Central Library on 19 December 2024.
- c) **Eminent Judge Biswajit Palit of Tripura High Court, has On December 20, 2024,** visited the Siksha-Bhavana Library and spoke with students about fundamental law and justice. The student inquired about the recent event that took place in India. He responded to all of the student's inquiries. He also discussed the need of students studying the fundamentals of law. The Judge was felicitated by Dr. Sanat Bhattacharya on behalf of Siksha-Bhavana Library.
- **New Additions (Books) during the Month**
Central Library: Number of Books received as Purchased: 191 (Acc. No. 443569 - 443759)
Central Library: Number of Books received as Gift: Nil

New Arrivals (Books and Periodicals)

-  [Books \(click\)](#)
 [Journals \(click\)](#)

IMPORTANT LINKS:

- African Journals Online (AJOL): is a collection of over 380 peer-reviewed, African-published scholarly journals. AJOL provides access to citations, abstracts and/or full text. The LIST ALL view shows all the (free) Open Access journals that are part of AJOL. URL - <https://www.ajol.info/>
- National Academic Depository (NAD): The vision of National Academic Depository (NAD) is born out of an initiative to provide an online store house of all academic awards. National Academic Depository (NAD) is a 24X7 online store house of all academic awards viz. certificates, diplomas, degrees, mark-sheets etc. These digital depositories have ensured hardware, network facilities and software of prescribed quality for smooth and secured operationalization of NAD. <http://nad.gov.in/index.html>

CONFERENCES/SEMINARS/TRAINING PROGRAMME:

- National Conference on Language, Culture & Identity (NCLCI-2025) on February 7-8, 2025 organized by Post-Graduate Department of Linguistics, Berhampur University, Odisha (**Link:** www.buodisha.edu.in/wp-content/uploads/2024/12/National-Conference-on-Language-Culture-and-Identity-NCLCI-2025)
- Two-Day International Seminar on “The Role of Libraries in Unveiling the Indian Knowledge Systems in Digital Era” (RLUIKS-2025) Date: 21-22 February 2025 by the Visva-Bharati Library Network, Santiniketan and Universal Briefing, Kolkata (Link - <https://vblibrarynetwork.in/index.php/iks2025>)

