



# Visva-Bharati

(Where the world makes its home in a single nest)

## Library Network *e-Newsletter*



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<http://visva-bharati-library.in>

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



The Inter-Library Loan Service at Visva-Bharati envisages borrowing of books and collection of research articles from other libraries. One of the main sources is Developing Library Network (DELNET) accessible through <http://164.100.247.26>, free as well as payable. One needs to search each of the databases/sources as given below to determine availability of materials he/she is looking for. The Central Library will arrange for the borrowing or purchase on behalf of you. This has turned up to be quite a sought-out service at Visva-Bharati.

DELNET was started at the India International Centre Library in January 1988 and was registered as a society in 1992. It was initially supported by the National Information System for Science and Technology (NISSAT), Department of Scientific and Industrial Research, Government of India. It was subsequently supported by the National Informatics Centre, Department of Information Technology, Ministry of Communications and Information Technology, Government of India.

DELNET has been established with the prime objective of promoting resource sharing among the libraries through the development of a network of libraries. It aims to collect, store, and disseminate information besides offering computerized services to users, to coordinate efforts for suitable collection development and also to reduce unnecessary duplication wherever possible.

## Objectives of DELNET

- ✦ To promote sharing of resources among the libraries by developing a network of libraries, by collecting, storing and disseminating information and by offering computerized services to the users;
- ✦ To undertake scientific research in the area of Information Science and Technology, create new systems in the field, apply the results of research and publish them;
- ✦ To offer technical guidance to the member-libraries on collecting, storing, sharing and disseminating information;
- ✦ To coordinate efforts for suitable collection development and reduce unnecessary duplication wherever possible;
- ✦ To facilitate and promote delivery of documents manually or mechanically;
- ✦ To establish /facilitate the establishment of referral and /or research centres, and maintain a central online union catalogue of books, serials and non-book materials of all the participating libraries;
- ✦ To develop specialized bibliographic database of books, serials and non-book materials;
- ✦ To develop databases of projects, specialists and institutions;
- ✦ To possess and maintain electronic and mechanical equipment for speedy communication of information and delivery of electronic mail;
- ✦ To coordinate with other regional, national and international networks and libraries for exchange of information and documents.



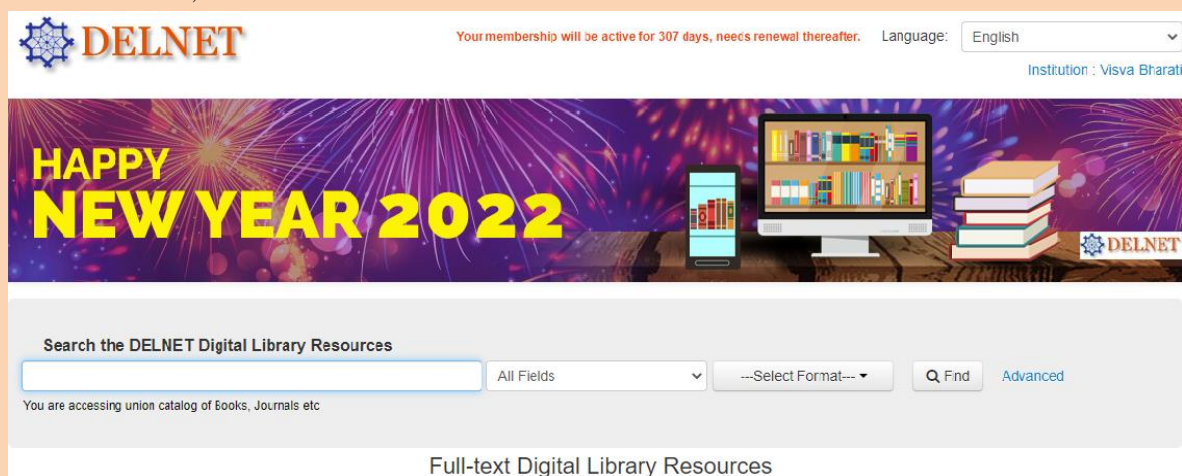
## Who Can Join?

- ✦ Any Institution/Library interested in using DELNET resources for borrowing books from libraries, getting photocopies of articles and for research and reference, and willing to contribute records of its library holdings for resource sharing purposes among institutional members of DELNET can join as an institutional member of DELNET.
- ✦ DELNET at present has 7606 libraries as its members, of which 310 libraries are in Delhi, 7273 outside Delhi in 28 States and 8 Union Territories and 23 in overseas countries. Libraries interested in joining DELNET should apply on a prescribed form. The fees for membership are kept very low.

## Services

- ✦ *Union Catalogue of Books*: DELNET maintains an online union catalogue of books available in its member-libraries. This union catalogue is continuously updated and is growing in size. The information can be retrieved by author, title, subject, conference, series, etc. It has 3,52,45,416 bibliographic records. The request for inter-library loan can be placed through the online system.
- ✦ *Union List of Current Periodicals*: DELNET has created union lists of current periodicals in science and technology, social sciences and humanities. This database is available online to DELNET users. It now lists 1,04,569 periodicals and is regularly updated and new titles are added annually. It is a major resource for Document Delivery Services.
- ✦ *Union Catalogue of Periodicals*: DELNET maintains a union catalogue of periodicals, which contains full holdings data of the libraries. At present, the database contains 20,235 records.
- ✦ *Database of Periodical Articles*: The database has details of articles which can be searched under the title, author, compiler, name of the periodical and subject. The database is being extensively utilised by the researchers and scholars. At present the database contains 11,24,250 records.
- ✦ *CD-ROM Database*: A bibliographic database of CD-ROMs available with the member-libraries is being compiled. It has 61,750 records.
- ✦ *Union List of Video Recordings*: This is a database of video cassettes available in DELNET member-libraries and has about 6,000 listings.
- ✦ *Union List of Sound Recordings*: This union list consists of audio cassette records available in member-libraries. This database has 1,025 records.

- ✚ *Database of Theses and Dissertations*: A database of Theses and Dissertations submitted to Indian Universities has been started, which covers various subjects. The database has 1,30,753 records.



- ✚ *Union List of Newspapers*: The database has 70 records and contains information about the newspapers including title, name of the editor, published from, E-mail address and also the Web address of the INTERNET edition if available on the WWW.
- ✚ *Database of E-books*: It has nearly 1613 records.
- ✚ *Profile of Member-Libraries*: A directory of member-libraries is available and contains information about them.
- ✚ *Inter-Library Loan and Document Delivery Services*: DELNET is offering inter-Library loan & Document Delivery Services to its member libraries. ILL requests can be registered online for books. For the resources not available in the union catalogues and journal articles, requests can be sent to DELNET through E-mail. DELNET has also prepared ILL Guidelines for use by the member-libraries. The services are quite popular among the member-libraries

## [New Arrivals \(Books and Periodicals\)](#)

[Books](#)(click)

[Journals](#) (click)

## RECENT ACTIVITIES

- **World Environment Day**: on the occasion of World Environment day (05 June 2022), Central Library Visva-Bharati has taken an initiative to plant trees at the Library premises on 06 June 2022 in presence of the library staff.
- **Two-Day Special Sessions**: Visva-Bharati Library Network has successfully organized two special sessions in blended mode (Both online & Physical) during 28-29 June 2022 to enable the stakeholders for the better use of the Resources & Facilities of Visva-Bharati Library Network (VBLN) and Research Tool to the extent possible. Topic covered during the session are, 1) **Quillbot**- Academic writing platform (Grammar Checker, Plagiarism Checker, Paraphraser, Summarizer, Citation Generator) by Ms. Gulsaba Khan, Business Developer, Quillbot on blended mode and 2) **Issues on Plagiarism** and Similarity Checking by using OURIGINAL by Dr Nimai Chand Saha on physical mode. Total number of participants on day-one was sixty (60) and day-two was thirty-five (35). The participants have enjoyed both the sessions with lot of satisfaction and request to arrange similar kinds of sessions frequently.
- **Documents / Article Delivery Services**: During the month 21 no. of soft copies of the articles have been collected and delivered through mail as requested by the academics/scholars.
- **Exhibition and Celebration of Important Days at Reference Section, Central Library**: Organized two special exhibitions of books and allied materials including quotations and photographs to celebrate;
  - a) World Environment Day on 05 June 2022.
  - b) International Day of Yoga 21 June 2022.
- **Similarity Checking Through URKUND Software**: On request from the academics 32 articles/Files have been checked through URKUND software and report has been forwarded through mail.
- **Visitor: i)** A team of thirty-eight students and two Faculty Members from the Department of Library and Information Science, Kalyani University has visited the **Central Library**, Visva-Bharati on 24 June 2022 at 3.00pm as part of their educational excursion and have a purposeful interaction with the library staff followed by physical visit of the library with entire satisfaction. The same team has also visited the **Siksha-Bhavana Library** on 24 June 2022 at 12noon. In-charge, Siksha-Bhavana Library, explained the function of the Siksha-Bhavana Library and Tagore's philosophy about the teacher-student relationship. During his short speech, Prof. Partha Sarathi Mukhopadhyay, HOD has expressed his satisfaction and mentioned that the visit to Visva-Bharati library is part of the academic excursion.

## RECENT ACTIVITIES

ii) Sri Sukumal Banerjee former Sr. Officer, DVC has visited Central Library on 22 June 2022 to donate a set of book entitled 'A treasury of Mystic Terms' contains three parts with 16 volumes, published by Science of the Soul Research Centre. Both, Sri Banerjee and his wife, Smt. Babita Banerjee have expressed their satisfaction after visiting the library and appreciated the endeavor taken by the library.

- **Remarks of a student (Riya Limbu, M.Sc. Sem-IV, Department of Environmental Science) on Siksha Bhavana Library:** For students who believe in being productive, I would request you to visit the Shiksha Bhavana Library, which provides a perfect ambience for being productive. For those who are still fighting with the digitization of society or want some quiet time to finish any project or assignment, Shiksha Bhavana Library provides an easy, simple and friendly access. The library is facilitated with computers, internet connection where one can peacefully complete their assignments or surf whatever is needed. The internet service is available here with good bandwidth. In addition to this, the library also has access to many magazines like Competition Success; Current Science etc. on a monthly basis.



Therefore, students can come here to widen their knowledge on science and current affairs. To keep you motivated and positive, the staff members also provides "thought for the day" on a white board, on everyday basis. Talking about the staff members of Shiksha Bhavana Library, they are all very helpful and cooperative towards the students to satisfy their need as much as possible.

- **Obituary:** Sri Niladri Pakrashi, Former Professional Assistant, Central Library has untimely passed away on 27 May 2022. For the same, condolence meeting has been arranged at the Central Library on 06 June 2022 at 12.30pm where staff of the Central Library was present and recollects his simplicity and contribution to the PSB Library and Central Library, Visva-Bharati. His date of birth is 26 August 1962. He has joined at Visva-Bharati on 20 April 1993 and superannuated (under VRS) on from Visva-Bharati services on 08 January 2022. The members of the VBLN have prayed before the almighty for peaceful staying of his departed soul and convey deep condolences to his family.



## IMPORTANT LINKS:

- ❖ **National Knowledge Network (<https://nkn.gov.in/en/home-It-en>):** National Knowledge Network (NKN) project is aimed at establishing a strong and robust Indian network which will be capable of providing secure and reliable connectivity. 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.
- ❖ **Oxford Owl (<https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/>):** Discover expert advice, educational resources and free eBooks to support children's learning at primary school and at home, from Oxford University Press. Oxford Owl for School is home to online teaching, learning and assessment resources, expert support and subscriptions for Primary Schools. Oxford Owl for Home basically written specially for parents and careers by leading experts in education.

## CONFERENCES/SEMINARS/TRAINING PROGRAMME:

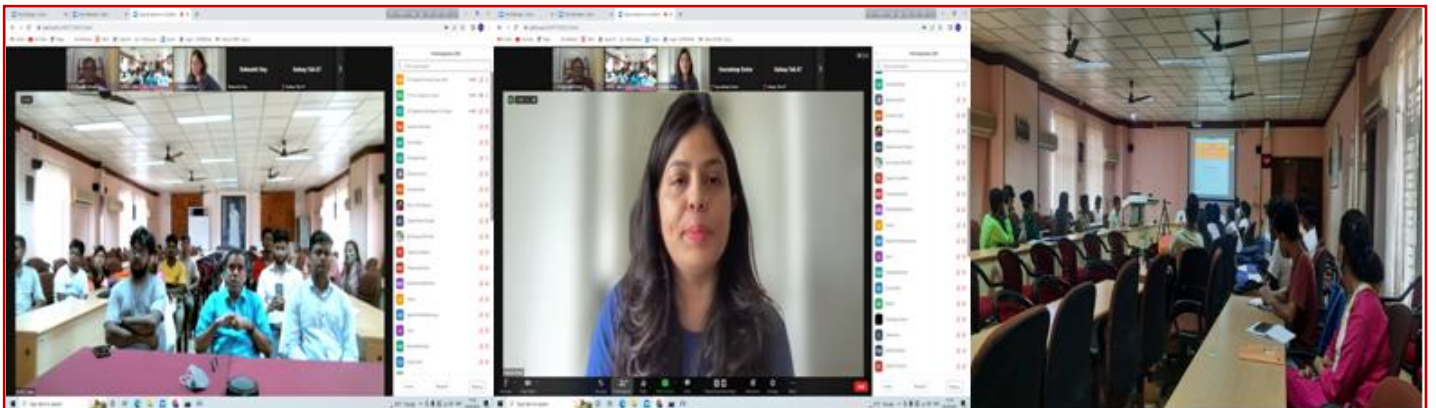
- ❖ *INFLIBNET is organizing a five days Advanced Training programme on Bibliometrics and Research Output Analysis during 18 - 22 July 2022. For more information see brochure: [https://hrd.inflibnet.ac.in/docs/Bibliometrics%20and%20Research%20Output%20Analysis\\_18\\_22\\_2022.pdf](https://hrd.inflibnet.ac.in/docs/Bibliometrics%20and%20Research%20Output%20Analysis_18_22_2022.pdf)*
- ❖ **International Conference on Emerging Digital Library Platforms: Shaping Digital Transformation and National Data Exchange on August 9, 2022 to August 12, 2022 at Indian Statistical Institute, Bangalore. For Details visit: <https://drtc.isibang.ac.in/>**



World Environment Day: Tree Plantation at the Central Library Premises



Team from DLISc, The University of Kalyani has visited the Central Library and Siksha Bhavana Library



Glimpses of two-day special sessions