



# Visva-Bharati

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## Library Network *e-Newsletter*



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Visva-Bharati Library has access to 7032+ e-journals and six databases through e-ShodhSindhu (<https://ess.inflibnet.ac.in/index.php>).

Based on the recommendation of an Expert Committee, the Ministry of HRD (now renamed as Ministry of Education) has formed e-ShodhSindhu merging three consortia initiatives, namely UGC-INFONET Digital Library Consortium, NLIST and INDEST-AICTE Consortium. The e-ShodhSindhu will continue to provide current as well as archival access to more than 10,000 core and peer-reviewed journals and a number of bibliographic, citation and factual databases in different disciplines from a large number of publishers and aggregators to its member institutions including centrally-funded technical institutions, universities and colleges that are covered under 12(B) and 2(f) Sections of the UGC Act.

The screenshot shows the e-ShodhSindhu website interface. At the top, there is a navigation menu with 'Home', 'About', 'Members', 'E-Resources', 'Search', 'INFED', and 'Shodh Shuddhi'. Below the menu, the breadcrumb trail reads 'Members >> Universities >> Central Universities'. The main content area displays 'Central Universities' with a search bar containing 'visva-bharati'. A search result for 'Visva-Bharati' is shown, including the address 'P.O. Santiniketan, Birbhum, West Bengal, Pin: 731235'. Contact information is provided for both Admin and Technical contacts. The Admin contact is Dr. Nimai Chand Saha, Librarian, with phone numbers 03463-262783 (O) and 9434546031 (M), fax 03463-262783, and email librarian@visva-bharati.ac.in. The Technical contact is Sh. Ramprasad Mazumdar, Information Scientist, with phone number +91 8371046032 and email ramprasad.mazumdar@visva-bharati.ac.in. At the bottom of the search results, it says 'Showing 1 to 1 of 1 entries (filtered from 42 total entries)' and 'Previous 1 Next'.

### Aims and Objectives:

The main objective of the e-ShodhSindhu: Consortia for Higher Education E-Resources is to provide access to qualitative electronic resources including full-text, bibliographic and factual databases to academic institutions at a lower rates of subscription. The major aims and objectives of the e-Shodh Sindhu are as follows:

- ✚ Setting-up e-ShodhSindhu: Consortia for Higher Education E-Resources by augmenting and strengthening activities and services offered by three MHRD-funded Consortia;
- ✚ Develop a formidable collection of e-journals, e-journal archives and e-books on perpetual access basis;

- ✦ Monitor and promote usage of e-resources in member universities, colleges and technical institutions in India through awareness and training programmes;
- ✦ Provide access to subscription-based scholarly information (e-books and e-journals) to all educational institutions;
- ✦ Provide access to scholarly content available in open access through subject portals and subject gateways;
- ✦ Bridge digital divide and move towards an information-rich society;

The screenshot shows the Shodh Shuddhi website interface. At the top, there is a navigation menu with links for Home, About, Members, E-Resources, Search, INFED, and Shodh Shuddhi. Below the menu, there is a search bar and a table of e-resources subscribed for Visva-Bharati. The table has columns for E-resources, Subscription Period, Subscription Type, Journals, Download, and More Info. The table lists various journals and their subscription periods. Below the table, there is a sidebar with links for Librarians, Users, Useful links, e-Resources, and Contact us. The sidebar also includes a search bar and a list of e-resources.

E-resources	Subscription Period	Subscription Type	Journals	Download	More Info
American Institute of Physics	January 2022 to December 2022	Core	View Journals	▲	more
American Physical Society	January 2022 to December 2022	Core	View Journals	▲	more
Annual Reviews	January 2022 to December 2022	Core	View Journals	▲	more
Economic & Political Weekly	April 2022 to March 2023	Core	View Journals	▲	more
Institute for Studies in Industrial Development (ISID) Database	April 2022 to March 2023	Core	--	--	more
JGate Plus (JCCC)	January 2022 to December 2022	Core	--	--	more
JSTOR	January 2022 to December 2022	Core	View Journals	▲	more
MathSciNet	January 2022 to December 2022	Core	--	--	more
Oxford University Press	April 2022 to March 2023	Core	View Journals	▲	more
Project Muse	January 2022 to December 2022	Core	View Journals	▲	more
Springer Link 1700 Collection and Nature Journal	April 2022 to March 2023	Core	View Journals	▲	more
Taylor and Francis	January 2022 to December 2022	Core	View Journals	▲	more
Web of Science	January 2022 to December 2022	Core	--	--	more

### e-Resources subscribed for Visva-Bharati:

- ✦ **American Institute of Physics:** AIP's online platform (Scitation) hosts more than 1,000,000 articles from more than 170 scholarly publications for 25 learned society publishers, in fields including physics, chemistry, geosciences, engineering, acoustics, and more. The members of the consortium have access to 18 Full text journals (10 AIP and 8 from AIP's member societies) with Archival access from 1997 onwards for most of the journals.
- ✦ **American Physical Society:** Through the consortium access of APS-ALL collection is available to subscribing members. Also the PROLA (Physical Review Online Archive) search engine (which indexes all APS journal material published from 1893 to present) is now freely available to all users.
- ✦ **Annual Reviews:** Annual Reviews volumes are published each year for 46 focused disciplines within the Biomedical, Life, Physical, and Social Sciences including Economics. Access is made available to 43 full text journals. Archival access is provided up to 10 years back issues for members earlier having access under UGC-INFONET DLC and new institutions will receive four (4) years back file access.
- ✦ **Economic & Political Weekly:** It publishes analysis of contemporary affairs and academic papers in the social sciences. The focus of the EPW is economic issues, but it is truly a multidisciplinary publication covering sociology, political science, history, and gender and environment studies. EPW publishes both research in social sciences in the "Special Articles" Section and informed comment on current affairs in the "Commentary Section". The access of EPW is provided to all the institutions of the consortium.
- ✦ **Institute for Studies in Industrial Development (ISID):** ISID has developed databases on various aspects of the Indian economy, particularly concerning industry and the corporate sector. It has created On-line Indexes of Indian Social Science Journals (OLI) and Press Clippings on diverse social science subjects. It provides access to Indexes of 125 Indian Social Science journals and major newspaper articles, editorials and news features.
- ✦ **JGate Plus (JCCC):** J-Gate Custom Content for Consortium (JCCC) is a virtual library of journal literature created as a customized e-journals access gateway and database solution. It acts as a one point access to 7900+ journals subscribed currently under UGC INFONET Digital library consortium as well as university libraries designated as Inter Library Loan (ILL) Centers besides index to open access journals. INFLIBNET has identified 22 potential universities as ILL Centers in the country to fulfill ILL request from the users affiliated to universities covered under UGC- INFONET Digital Library Consortium. JCCC has facility to trigger e-mail request for article to Inter Library Loan Centers as well as to INFLIBNET Centre.
- ✦ **JSTOR:** In 2009, JSTOR merged with and became a service of ITHAKA, a not-for-profit organization helping the academic community use digital technologies to preserve the scholarly record and to advance scholarship and teaching in sustainable ways. Currently, there are more than 2500 titles, including previous titles, as well as other content available. New titles and other materials are being added regularly. The collections available to the members of the Consortium are: Art & Sciences I–XII, Life Sciences, Ireland, Ecology & Botany II, Global Plants, 19th-Century British Pamphlets, Struggles for Freedom: Southern Africa, World Heritage Sites: Africa, Business IV.
- ✦ **MathSciNet:** MathSciNet is an electronic publication offering access to a carefully maintained and easily searchable database of reviews, abstracts and bibliographic information for much of the mathematical sciences literature. Over 80,000 new items are added each year, most of them classified according to the Mathematics Subject Classification.

Continuing in the tradition of the paper publication Mathematical Reviews (MR), which was first published in 1940, literature; over 60,000 reviews are added to the database each year. Extending the MR tradition, MathSciNet contains over 2 million items and over 700,000 direct links to original articles. Reference lists are collected and matched internally from over 300 journals, and citation data for journals, authors, articles and reviews is provided. This web of citations allows users to track the history and influence of research publications in the mathematical sciences.

- ✚ **Oxford University Press:** OUP collections cover Life Sciences, Mathematics & Physical Sciences, Medicine, Social Sciences, Humanities, and Law, and include some of the most authoritative journals in their fields. Through the consortium, 262 Oxford University Press journals are available with back files since 1996.
- ✚ **Project Muse:** Project MUSE is a unique collaboration between libraries and publishers, providing 100% full-text, affordable and user-friendly online access to a comprehensive selection of prestigious humanities and social sciences journals. The Consortium subscribes to Project Muse Premium Collection which provides access to more than 600 titles representing more than 120 publishers.
- ✚ **Springer Link:** It publishes some 2,000 journals and more than 6,500 new book titles every year in the STM sector; backlist of more than 45,000 titles. The coverage of the content is in 6 main publishing fields: science, technology, medicine, architecture, business and transport. Overall journals can be accessed through Springer Link are around 1700+ journals. The backfiles / backdata is available since 1997 for Springer titles and 2007 onwards for Nature main title. The 7 old IITs and IISc get access to 200+ additional journals on complimentary basis.
- ✚ **Taylor and Francis:** Taylor and Francis, founded in 1798, is the oldest commercial journals publisher in the world, and one of the leading global academic publishers. Taylor & Francis Group publishes more than 1600 journals and around 1,800 new books each year. The Consortium can access more than 1000 journals with archival access to 1998 onwards issues.
- ✚ **Web of Science:** Web of Science, provides access to the world's leading citation databases. It searches over 10,000 journals from over 45 different languages across the sciences, social sciences, and arts and humanities with back files to 1900. The access to Web of Science is available on perpetual access basis to members subscribing prior to 2016, and new members were provided access to 20 year back-files on lease basis. Consortium subscription includes access to the Science Citation Index Expanded (SCI-EXPANDED), Social Sciences Citation Index (SSCI) and Arts & Humanities Citation Index (A&HCI) of Web of Science.

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

[Books](#)(click)

[Journals](#) (click)

## RECENT ACTIVITIES

- **Two-Day Special Session:** Visva-Bharati Library Network has successfully organized two special sessions in Physical mode during 25-26 August 2022. The sessions have been arranged to enable stakeholders to better use the Resources & Facilities of Visva-Bharati Library Network (VBLN) and Research Tool to the extent possible. Topics covered during the session are 1) **Zotero (Reference management Software)** by **Sri Ajay Kumar Sharma, Assistant Librarian (stage-III)**, and 2) **Issues on Plagiarism** and Similarity Checking by using OUR ORIGINAL by **Dr. Nimai Chand Saha**, University Librarian (Acting). The number of participants on the first day was ten (10) and twenty-four (24) on the second. Participants were pleased to attend both the sessions and opined that the sessions were helpful for their research work.
- **Tribute to Dr. S. R. Ranganathan on 12 August 2022:** On the occasion of the 130th Birth Anniversary of Dr. S. R. Ranganathan, Central Library, Visva-Bharati, celebrated calmly and pleasantly with maintaining social distancing. All staff of Central Library has paid homage and tribute to illustrious Guru Dr. S.R Ranganathan on this auspicious occasion, followed by a small speech by University Librarian (Acting).
- **Observation of Raksha Bandhan on 12 August 2022,** Raksha Bandhan: Raksha Bandhan is a holy and popular festival celebrated in India and other parts of the world as a symbol of love and unity. Gurudev Tagore used the perception of Raksha Bandhan to create hope and spread harmony in the minds of people in society. In tune with the significance of the great festival Central Library, Visva-Bharati observed the day to spread love, unity, and integrity among all. The program was organized in a befitting manner.



## RECENT ACTIVITIES

- **Book Exhibition and special session to observe 'Partition Horrors Remembrance day-2022':** Visva-Bharati has taken the initiative to celebrate the "Partition Horrors Remembrance Day" with due diligence to commemorate 14 August as "*Partition Horrors Remembrance Day. The initiatives have been taken to* comply with the letter from UGC vide D.O. No. 2-66/2022(CPP-II), dated 07 August 2022 and as announced by the Hon'ble Prime Minister on 15 August 2021 ". From 10-14 August 2022 (from 7.30 am to 7.30 pm), Central Library has arranged one Book Exhibition with related books from the library collections. The Exhibition Prof. Bidyut Chakrabarty, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, Visva-Bharati, in the presence of Principals, faculty Members, Scholars, and students of the University. One special lecture has also been arranged under the title "Bangla Katha Sahitye Danga O Deshbhag (বাংলা কথাসাহিত্যে দাঙ্গা ও দেশভাগ)" has been placed on 11 August 2022 at 4.00 pm in blended mode. The zoom meeting link for the virtual audience was <https://zoom.us/j/93979493331?pwd=SUg4NXA3cUpiaVdqUmtpaVJ5TFEvdz09>. The speaker was Dr. Chandan Kumar Kundu, Assistant Professor, Department of Bengali, Abhedananda, Mahavidyalaya, Sainthia, Birbhum, and former scholars of Visva-Bharati whose research topic was 'partition' was invited as reviewers of the book. At the same time, the session was presided over by Prof. Bidyut Chakrabarty, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, Visva-Bharati. More than a hundred-seventy participants attended/joined the session.
- **Visitor: i)** A team of Twenty-eight students, The University Librarian, and one Faculty Member from the Department of Library and Information Science, Sidhu-Kanho-Birsa University, Purulia, visited the Central Library, Visva-Bharati on 11 August 2022, as part of their educational tour. During their visit, interaction with the library staff has been arranged with entire satisfaction.  
ii) A team of forty-four students and three escorts, including one teacher of Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya, Bidhannagar, Durgapur, visited the Central Library Visva-Bharati on 27 August 2022. The students were happy and encouraged after seeing the library, followed by interaction with the library staff.  
iii) Special interaction Sessions with Ms. Melinda Pavek, U.S Consul General, Kolkata, meets students (total sixty numbers) of Visva-Bharati, Santiniketan, and visits Central Library on 22 August 2022.
- **Three-Day Demonstration Program on E-Resources:** Central Library, Visva-Bharati, has organized a Three-day demo program on e-resources by different publishers in virtual mode during 29-31 August 2022. Twenty-four (24) reputed National and International level publishers have demonstrated their e-resources on their respective platforms. Every day around twenty participants attended the session. The sessions were arranged to comply with the standard operating procedure for procurement of e-resources by VBLN and to give the academics an ambiance regarding the collection and development of the e-resources of different world-class publishers.
- **Documents / Article Delivery Services:** During the month 15 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 three special exhibitions of books and allied materials including quotations and photographs to celebrate;  
a) 130<sup>th</sup> birth anniversary of Dr S. R. Ranganathan who happens to be the Father of Library Science in India on 12 August.  
b) 76<sup>rd</sup> Independence Day on 15 August 2022
- **Similarity Checking through Original Software:** On request from the academics twenty-five (25) articles/Files have been checked through URKUND software and report has been forwarded through mail.

## IMPORTANT LINKS:

- ✚ Society for Natural Language Technology Research (<https://nltr.itewb.gov.in/index.php>): In order to make the computing activities Bangla compatible, it is essential to establish a proper standard. The society aims to carry out its activities in a multipolar manner, involving other academic and research institutes as well as industries.
- ✚ PubMed Central® (PMC) (<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/>): PubMed Central® (PMC) is a free full-text archive of biomedical and life sciences journal literature at the U.S. National Institutes of Health's National Library of Medicine (NIH/NLM).

## CONFERENCES/SEMINARS/TRAINING PROGRAMME:

- ✚ National Conference on Current Trends and Challenges in 21st Librarianship (CTCLIS21) on dated 30.09.2022 to 01.10.2022. For more details: [https://drive.google.com/file/d/1wNnoDUGIVNKYN4mxwhf4ucIq4dAvl\\_M3/view](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1wNnoDUGIVNKYN4mxwhf4ucIq4dAvl_M3/view)
- ✚ SALIS 2022 National Conference on "Transformation of Learning Resource Centres in the Digital Era" on dated 13-15 October, 2022. For more details: <https://ksrctsalis2022.blogspot.com>



Observation of Partition Horrors Remembrance Day on 10-14 August 2022



Ms. Melinda Pavek, U.S Consul General, Kolkata was an Interaction with the scholars/students



Students of Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya, Durgapur visited on 27/08/2022