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In close collaboration with the Directory of Open Access Journals (DOAJ) & Sempertool, the OAPEN Foundation launched the Directory of Open Access Books (DOAB) in 2012. The DOAB Foundation offers the Directory of Open Access Books as a service. The OAPEN Foundation and OpenEdition founded the DOAB Foundation, which is a nonprofit organisation (or "stichting") under Dutch law.

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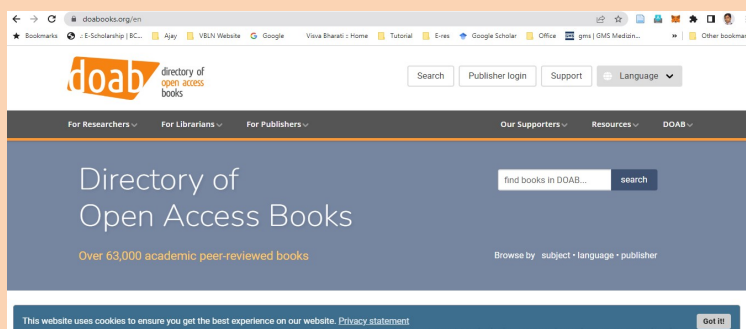


Fig. 1: Homepage of DOAB

The Directory of Open Access Books (DOAB) has about 63,000 academic peer-reviewed books in its collection from various important subjects like Interdisciplinary, Anthropology, Archaeology, Biology, Business, Business Technology Management, Chemistry and Biochemistry, Computer Science, Data and Statistics, Economics, Geography and Environmental Studies, Health Sciences, Health Studies, History, Languages and Literatures, Law and Society, Legal Information, Mathematics, Philosophy, Political Science. Access to this resource and to the books it links to is free to everyone ranging from 1960s to present.

DOAB provides the option to browse by publisher, which results in an alphabetical list of around 626 publishers, followed by the number of open access books which they have listed in DOAB. You can also browse by subject, to find publishers who work with authors in your field. If you are interested in a particular publisher, click on the link, and you will find the URL of their website and, in many cases, tabs with more information: 'about', 'peer review' and 'licence'. If you are looking for publishers in your language area, start by searching for a subject and then select the language area of your choice on the results page.

Accessing eBooks through the Directory of Open Access (DOAB): Getting started

Click the DOAB website at <https://doabooks.org/> and will open website as Fig: 1. One can use Search if have a specific question otherwise use Browse to look at several books that are related in some way.

Searching eBook

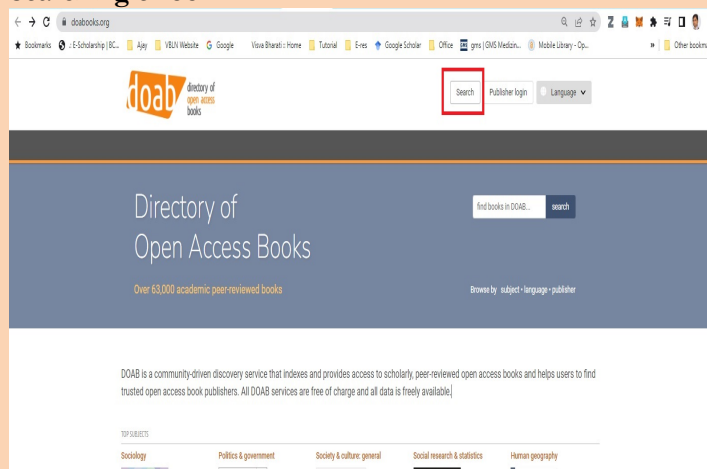


Fig: 2: Searching eBook

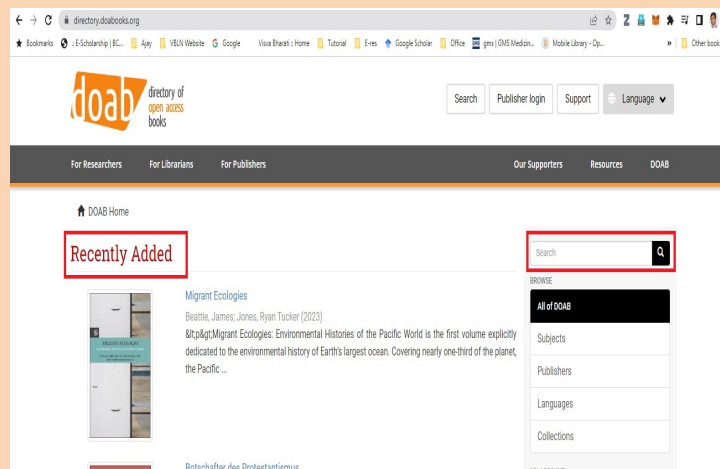


Fig: 3: Recently Added eBooks

After clicking on the search tab as selected in the Fig: 2 an another window will open likewise Fig: 3 where in the left side of the windows, list of recently added e-books will be displayed under “Recently Added” and on the right side again search box will appear where search terms can be entered. At the bottom of this page there is an option of “View more”. After clicking on this view more, list of all eBooks will be displayed under the page “DOAB PROD Instance: Recent submissions” and desired whole e-Books and Chapters can be downloaded.

If anyone types something in the Search box, the search engine looks in all fields. If anyone want to search on a specific field, such as Author or Publisher, use Advanced search.

Searching of e-Books performed by putting search term in the search box. Let’s have an example “Agriculture”. Put Agriculture in search box and press enter. A list of all eBooks on Agriculture will be displayed in Fig: 4. there is an option in gear icon, to Sort the search results in various ways likewise, relevance, Title ASC (title by ascending order), Title DESC (title by descending order), Issue Date ASC, Issue Date DESC. According to the convenience number of search result per page can also be changed from default 10 to 5, 10, 20, 40, 60, 80, 100. Export facility of bibliographic data of all the search result is also available just beside the gear icon.

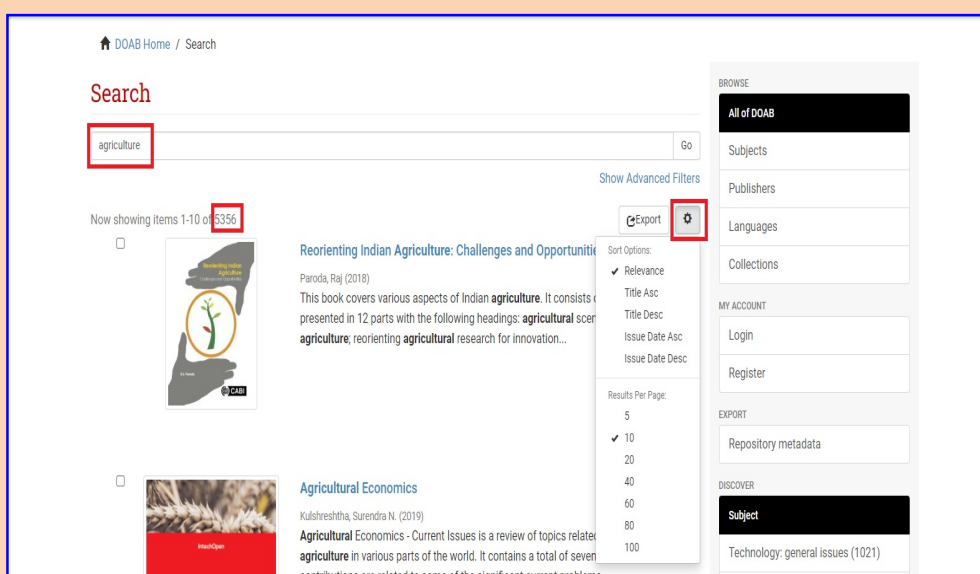


Fig: 4: Search Result

Browse eBook

Browsing of eBooks can be performed by more than 2000 Subjects, 600+ publishers, more than 90 languages amongst the 16 different collections created by DOAB.

Sort the Browse subjects, Publishers; Languages are available in various ways like ascending and descending order. According to the users convenience number of search result per page can also be changed here likewise search facility from default 10 to 5, 10, 20, 40, 60, 80, 100. Export facility of bibliographic data of all the search results or for any specific individual title in specific formats is also available just beside the gear icon.

Selecting an individual title

Clicking on the desired title from the search result /browse lists, will provide the full bibliographical details about the selected eBooks with the full metadata record along with the download URL(s) as marked in the Fig: 5 to access the full-text likewise Fig: 6..

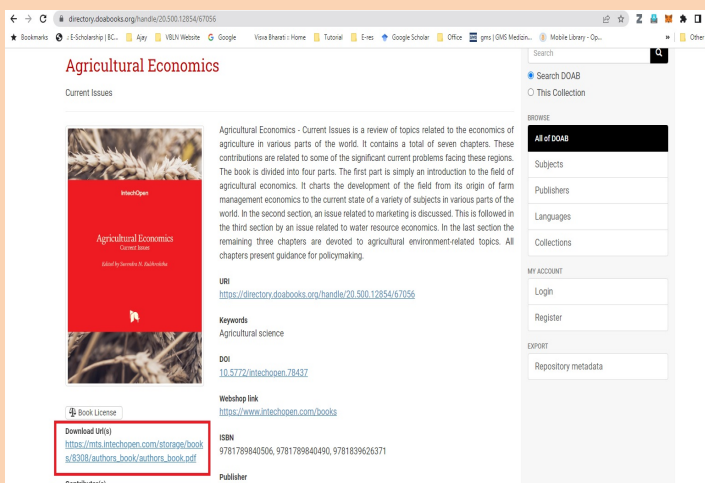


Fig: 5: Download URL(s)

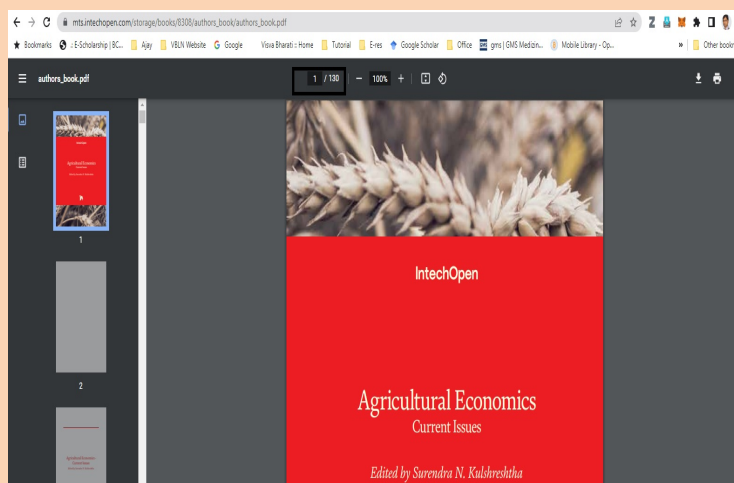


Fig: 6: Full-text eBook

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RECENT ACTIVITIES

- **Book Exhibition at Siksha Bhavana Library:** An exhibition of books was held at the Siksha Bhavana Library's reading room on December 15 and 16, 2022. Most of the books recommended by the faculty members, Students, and Scholars (duly forwarded by the concerned HOD) have been procured from the annual budget 2022–2023. Prof. Udayan Bhattacharya, Library and Information Science Department, Jadavpur University, and Prof. Susanta Ghosh, Department of ISERC, officially opened the exhibition. During the inauguration, Shreya Pal, MSc. Botany student, sang a Tagore song. Many science students attended this ceremony and offered thoughtful comments on the display of books. Opening hours for the exhibition are 11.30 am – 4.30 pm. At 5 pm on December 16, 2022, the show closes.
- **Library Day-2022:** Visva-Bharati Library Network celebrated National Library Day 2022 on 20th December pleasantly. National Library Day is celebrated every year on 20th December. It's the day to reflect on the crucial roles that libraries and librarians play in our society. A well-stocked library can introduce readers to many new worlds and helps them become more informed citizens. The program began with an opening song at 5.00 pm, followed by a floral tribute to Kavi Guru Rabindranath Tagore and Dr. S. R. Ranganathan. Eminent journalist and one of the temporary members of the Central Library, Mr. Biswajit Roy, was the Chief Guest and delivered a talk on "Importance of Library in the society: Past, Present, and Future." Mr. Roy said, 'Libraries play a key role in building society and creating readers. A library must have enough books, a good reading environment, and other necessary facilities, as libraries have an enormous role in forming a knowledgeable and enlightened society. Student participants also shared their experiences with using the VB library. Mr. Ajay Kumar Sharma, Asst. Librarian & In-Charge, Cheena Bhavana Library, chaired the program. Dr. Nimai Chand Saha, University Librarian (Acting), also addressed the august gathering. Research Scholars Indrani Rooj and Sukanta Mondal from the Department of Bengali, Bhasha Bhavana conducted the program, both of which are also 'VB Library Friends.' The program ended with a happy note, and a word of thanks at around 7.50 pm. total of eighty-one (81) candidates attended the program with due attention and expressed their pleasure after attending the event.
- **Documents / Article Delivery Services:** During the month 16 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:** Organized special exhibitions of books and allied materials including quotations and photographs to celebrate;
 - a) 139th Birth anniversary of Nandlal Bose and 132nd Birth anniversary of Khudiram Bose on 3 December 2022.
 - b) 88th Birth anniversary of Smt. Pratibha Devi Singh Patil, the twelfth and the first woman President of India on 19 December 2022
 - c) On the occasion of Library Day-21 December 2022.
- **Similarity Checking Through OURIGINAL (supported by Turnitin) :** On request from the academics 09 articles/ Files have been checked and report has been forwarded through mail..
- **Visitors:** Prof. Sagir Ahmad, Department of Persian Studies, The University of Calcutta, has visited Central Library on 24 December 2022. After visiting the library he has expressed his satisfaction and appreciates the endeavors taken by the library.
- **New Additions (Books) during the Month**
 - Central Library: Number of Books received as Purchased: 126 (Acc. No. 442123 – 442248)
 - Number of Books received as Gift: Nil

New Arrivals (Books and Periodicals)

[Books](#)(click)

[Journals](#) (click)

IMPORTANT LINKS:

- ❖ E-GyanSangrah: Digital Repository for Schools is an Online Educational Repository launched by the Library and Information Center of Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan Vidyashram Pratapnagar, Jaipur, which allows users to interact and work collaboratively with other users. The e-GyanSangrah mobile app is freely available to all its users for teaching, learning and self-assessment through various resources like E-Books, E-Magazines, E-Maps, E-Newspapers, E-Comics, Digital Games, E-Quizzes, E-Puzzles, E-Lecturers, E-Labs, E-Links, Old Question Papers, Olympiad materials, Movie Shows, Reading Programs, etc.

Website: <https://egyansangrah.wordpress.com/>

- ❖ Bhuvan: Bhuvan is a Geoportal platform of Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO), hosted presently through URL <http://bhuvan.nrsc.gov.in>, with a host of wide ranging services that cover visualization of multi-date, multi-platform, multi-sensor satellite data, thematic map display, query and analysis, free data downloads and products, near real-time disaster services, Apps for crowd sourcing and diverse geospatial applications. The platform also supports usage on multiple languages for interactive use.

CONFERENCES/SEMINARS/TRAINING PROGRAMME:

1. International Conference on Knowledge Organisation in Academic Library (I-KOAL 2023) on Redesigning Modern Library and Innovative Services in Digital Environment jointly organised by Library Professionals Association New Delhi and CDAC Navi Mumbai, to be held from 20th to 21st, January 2023. For details: <https://kmeducationhub.de/international-conference-on-knowledge-organisation-in-academic-libraries-i-koal/>
2. IIT Patna has invited applications for a free online course called “Foundation of Cloud IoT and Edge Machine Learning”. The course can be covered in 8 weeks, and will cover Internet of Things, Machine Learning and Cloud for various emerging computing paradigms of edge computing. The course will be available on the SWAYAM NPTEL platform from 20 February to 14 April 2023, and the last date to enrol for the course would be 20 February 2023. Details: https://onlinecourses.nptel.ac.in/noc23_cs65/preview



Books exhibition at Siksha Bhavana Library



Glimpses of celebration of the Library Day-2022



Prof. Sagir Ahmad was at the Central Library