



# Visva-Bharati

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## Library Network *e-Newsletter*



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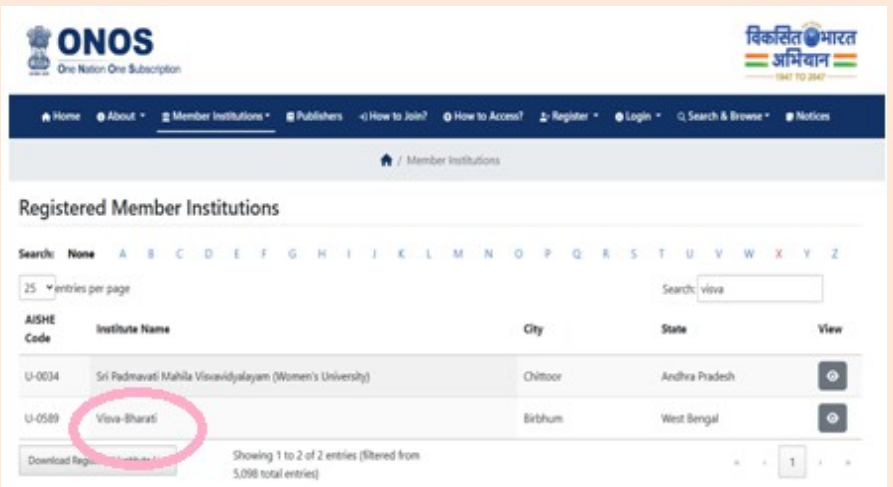
## ONOS

One Nation One Subscription

<https://onos.gov.in/>

[Visva-Bharati is one of the members of the ONOS, and have access to a good number of e-journals and databases]

The Government of India has announced the "One Nation One Subscription" initiative, a groundbreaking step toward democratizing access to knowledge and research resources. Its aim is to provide access to scholarly research content to HEIs in the country. ONOS intends to acquire national licenses for e-journal/database subscriptions from most of the prominent STEM and social sciences publishers and content providers by combining multiple institutional and consortia-based subscriptions. Concessions on Article Processing Charges (APCs) for open access publications are also envisioned as part of ONOS. With "One Nation One Subscription" India takes a significant leap toward achieving its vision of inclusive education and research, ensuring that every individual has the tools to learn, innovate, and excel. This initiative aligns with the NEP and underscores the commitment to creating an empowered and informed society. Implementation of ONOS, which is expected to benefit all academic and R & D institutions including universities, colleges, research organisations in the country, will be done in a phased manner.



### Background

Currently, access to subscription journals is acquired through library consortia of government departments, academic and R&D institutions; and through individual subscriptions by various institutions. Government, academic and R&D institutions are subscribing to approx. 8000 e-journals from various publishers. Also there are resources that are subscribed by multiple consortia and institutions. ONOS facilitates centralised access to scholarly content of 30 publishers thus eliminating duplication in subscriptions.

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## RECENTACTIVITIES:

### Executing Agency

INFLIBNET Centre, Gandhinagar, an Autonomous IUC (Inter-University Centre) of UGC has been designated as the implementation and executing agency for ONOS by the Core Committee to oversee implementation of ONOS. INFLIBNET Centre is currently the executing agency for the largest library consortium in the country i.e. e-ShodhSindhu (ESS) which is under the Ministry of Education.

### Beneficiary Institutions

It is envisaged to expand access to e-resources to all 6500+ governments academic and R&D institutions which is nearly three times of current beneficiaries across 10 consortia in the country. The number of beneficiary users will be increased from 56.7 Lakh to 177.82 Lakh from 2360 institutions to 6500+ institutions respectively.

### No. of Publishers & Journals

30 publishers of full-text journals, which are subscribed by at least one of the 10 library consortia or self-subscribed by the current beneficiary institutes, have been selected. It is envisaged to acquire licenses from journal publishers for the full collection of journals published by them. Hence the no. of journals is expected to increase to about 13,000 journals.

### Access to Journals

INFLIBNET has been tasked with the implementation of ONOS. Access to the journals will be made available through the campus IP address of the institute or outside campus through INFED Access Federation set up at INFLIBNET. The resources can be accessed through any device including mobiles.



- ✚ The Prime Minister of India in his address to the Nation from the ramparts of the Red Fort on 15<sup>th</sup> August, 2022, had pointed out the importance of Research and Development in our country in the Amrit Kaal. He had given the clarion call of “**Jai Anusandhan**” on the occasion.
- ✚ The National Education Policy, 2020 (NEP2020) has also identified research as a corequisite for outstanding education and development in our country.
- ✚ In response to the vision of making India Atmanirbhar and Viksitbharat@2047, the Government of India approved One Nation One Subscription scheme to provide country-wide access to international high impact scholarly research articles and journal publication to students, faculty and researchers of all Higher Education Institutions managed by the central government and state governments and Research & Development Institutions of the central government.
- ✚ The One Nation One Subscription (ONOS) intends to acquire national licenses for e-journal/ database subscriptions from most of the prominent journal publishers. A total of 30 major international journal publishers have been included in ONOS. All the journals published by these publishers will be accessible to the students, faculty members and researchers of the participating institutions.
- ✚ The initiative will open an old mine of knowledge available into quality scholarly journals to nearly 1.8 crore students, faculty members, researchers and scientists of all disciplines, including those in tier 2 and tier 3 cities, thereby encouraging core as well as inter disciplinary research in the country.
- ✚ The ONOS is starting its operation from 1st January 2025. ONOS phase-I has been approved for the calendar years 2025, 2026 and 2027.

- Accesses to journals are being provided through national subscription coordinated by the Information and Library Network (INFLIBNET) Centre, an autonomous inter-university centre of the University Grants Commission (UGC), Gandhinagar, Gujarat.
- Department of Higher Education, Government of India will have a unified portal “**One Nation One Subscription**” (<https://www.onos.gov.in/>) through which the institutions will be able to access the journals. The ANRF will periodically review the usage of One Nation One Subscription and publications of Indian authors of these institutions.
- One Nation One Subscription is a timely step towards establishing India in the global research eco system by bringing ease of doing research to the door step of all students, faculty members and researchers in the government institutions.

### How to Access resources under ONOS?

The different types of access modules under ONOS based on the existing infrastructure of the participating institutions are as under:

For Institutions who have their own static IP address for subscription to journal resources (example: University/ Central Government Higher Education Institutions/ Research Institutions, etc.): For such institutions, access will be available through:

- **Campus wide-Network:** This means any computer /laptop/mobile device connected in Campus network will automatically get access to articles from all considered publishers. No separate individual user registration is required.
- **Off-campus Access through INFED:** using user Id and password through Shibboleth based Institute Identity Provider (IDP) authenticated by INFED Access Management Federation setup at INLIBNET Centre, Gandhinagar.

For Colleges & Institutions NOT having Static IP Address

- Centralized IDP setup at INFLIBNET using INFED is maintained by INFLIBNET Centre and institutional users managed by Librarian/nodal person of the Institute.
- Authorized users from member Institutions are required to get their User ID and password from their respective colleges.

Existing government users of any of the consortia, including state government higher education institutions having their static IP address are being automatically ported to the ONOS portal for smooth transition. Any of these users, if they face any issue, should write to email to [support@onos.gov.in](mailto:support@onos.gov.in) along with name, designation and contact details (mobile, email) of institute nodal officer.

### How to Search & Browse

## RECENTACTIVITIES:

- **Collaborative Skill Enhancement Program:** based on the proposal for collaboration received from Department of Library and Information Science (BLIS, MLIS, and Ph.D. programs in the field of Library and Information Science). As part of our, Netaji Subhash Open University (NSOU), Kolkata, Visva-Bharati Library Network has successfully conducted first batch of nine candidates from 16 December 2025 to 28 January 2026 i.e. six weeks (four days in a week from 11. 00 AM to 5.00 PM). This is an effort of DLISc, NSOU to provide hands-on training to our Learners, to offer a "Collaborative Skill Enhancement Program (CSEP): Internship in LIS 2025-2026" which would lead to fulfill NEP-2020 mandate. The CSEP in LIS program aims to provide Learners with practical experience in library management, information technology, and user services. Partnering with several institutions (Visva-Bharati, Asiatic Society, Anthropological Survey of India, Central Reference Library, University of North Bengal, etc. etc.) will not only enhance learning experience of the Learners' but also contribute to the development of skilled LIS professionals in West Bengal. The Objectives of the CSEP: The core objective is to strengthen the application of theoretical knowledge in real-world library, information management, and archive settings, thereby fostering mutual cooperation in both academic and professional training. To provide LIS Learners with practical exposure and professional skill development, this initiative establishes structured internships that promote collaboration between academia and professional practice in the field of Library, Information Science, and Archival Studies. The CSEP at central Library Visva-Bharati containing, Lectures, Demonstration, Hands-on training and offer working exposure in reality, etc. etc. Candidates were enjoyed the CSEP and stated that they have learnt many thing which will help them to sustain in the field of library services for future.
- **Documents / Article Delivery Services:** During the month 13 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) 132<sup>nd</sup> Birth anniversary of Satyendra Bose on 1 January 2026.
  - b) 163<sup>rd</sup> Birth anniversary of Swami Vivekananda on 12 January 2026.
  - c) 129<sup>th</sup> Birth anniversary Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose on 23 January 2026.
- **Similarity Checking through DrillBit Software:** **Similarity Checking through DrillBit Software:** Total 454 units (total 4535 units from 01 October 2023 to 01 January 2026) or 107 Documents/Files/ Theses/ Articles/ have been checked through DrillBit during the month and on requirement, library has extended necessary assistance.
- **Visitors:** As part of the educational tour, a team of fifty –eight candidates contains students and faculty members of Netaji Mahavidyalaya, Arambagh, Hooghly has visited Central Library, Visva-Bharati on January 20, 2026 at 2.30 PM. The team has sincerely visited all the different section (Stack Room, Braille Unit, Journal Section, Reference Section, Circulation Desk, Reading Room and Minim Museum) and attentively takes part in an interaction session with the Librarian and Library Staff. After visiting the library, both the faculty members and students have expressed their gratitude to visit this library, its collections, arrangements, e-resources, automation, etc. etc. and they have stored unique experience.

## NewArrivals(BooksandPeriodicals)

📖 **Books (click)**

📰 **Journals (click)**

## IMPORTANTLINKS:

- **ShodhGanga: A Reservoir of Indian Theses (<https://shodhganga.inflibnet.ac.in/>):** A digital repository for Indian electronic theses and dissertations, providing a platform for research scholars to deposit their Ph.D. theses and make them available to the entire scholarly community in open access.
- **Society for Natural Language Technology Research (SNLTR) (<https://nltr.itewb.gov.in/index.php>):** An initiative to make computing activities Bangla compatible and establish proper standards involving academic and research institutes.

## CONFERENCES/SEMINARS/TRAININGPROGRAMME:

- **Symposium on Accessible and Inclusive Digital Library (AIDL-2026):** Focusing on Assistive Technologies, Community Engagement, and Designing Inclusive Library Space on March 6–7, 2026. More details: <https://library.iith.ac.in/events/aidl2026/>.
- **DRTC-ISI Annual Conference (LIB-BRIDGE 2026):** scheduled to be held on March 11-13, 2026. For more details: <https://drtc.isibang.ac.in/lib-bridge/>.



Glimpses of Visit of the students and faculty members of the Netaji Mahavidyalaya, Arambagh



Students of NSOU are in the Collaborative Skill Enhancement Program (CSEP)