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Training Programme on Financial and Administrative Matters for Good Governance

Visva-Bharati organized a week-long training programme on “Financial and Administrative Matters” for the first time to ensure Good Governance for its Head, Officers, In-charge, and Non-Teaching Staff during 18-24May2026, from 10am to 6pm at Conference Hall, Central Library, Visva-Bharati. Mr. G.P. Sharma, former Joint Secretary (Finance), ICAR, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi, acted as Course Director, and Dr. Nimai Chand Saha, Librarian, Visva-Bharati, had been entrusted to act as Co-ordinator. Dr. Sanat Bhattacharya Assistant Librarian, Visva-Bharati acted as Assistant Co-coordinator. A total of seventy-two (72) participants attended the training programme. This training programme was organized under the overall guidance and support of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor of Visva-Bharati. Secretarial assistance and support were provided by the office of the Registrar, Visva-Bharati, and the office of the Finance Officer, Visva-Bharati.

Salient features of the training programme are furnished below;

- ❖ The course content was designed to cover all topics related to day-to-day office operations to facilitate a smooth flow of work post-training. A unique slot of forty-five (45) minutes daily in the post-lunch session was also included in the schedule, with an idea to keep the day-long training session lively and interesting.
- ❖ Resource persons from different Ministries/Departments and other Government Offices of India delivered lectures, who were the best available experts in their respective domains.
- ❖ Initially the programme was designed for 6 days from 18-23 May 2026. However due to some additional sessions, the valedictory function was held on 24th May 2026 forenoon.
- ❖ The Registrar's office identified the staff from the different departments, sections and units to enable them to participate and the notification was uploaded on the university website. A total of seventy-one (71) participants actually attended the training programme.
- ❖ The pedagogy/methodology used in the training programme included theoretical lectures, PowerPoint Presentations, online and live demonstrations, Practical Lessons and Problem-Solving, Case Studies, Q&A, and Quizzes. (Including a team game amongst all participants.) Training materials have been provided to all participants through a WhatsApp Group created for them, to enable them to use them as per their requirements in the future as well.

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- ❖ All arrangements for the smooth conduct of the week-long training programme were made, like hall arrangements, Kits for the participants, PA systems, Local Transportation, Guest House, Refreshments (including Lunch and Tea for all), Felicitation of guests and all resource persons in a befitting manner, inaugural songs and valedictory songs, nation anthem etc.
- ❖ A travel desk was also arranged to facilitate all the resource persons in collecting their travel plans and to-and-fro journey details, enabling Visva-Bharati to reimburse the travel costs, DA, and Honorarium at the earliest.
- ❖ After completion of all sessions, participant feedback was also collected through a Google Form (<https://forms.gle/FCTk6M5Yf6WicpXn9>). Out of 71 participants 70 have given their feedback which was used for analysis and that was presented also during valedictory function.
- ❖ Evaluation of the feedback was also conducted using Bibliometric analysis. Overall, the training programme has been rated outstanding (82.9%) and Good (17.1%), indicating that the programme has been extremely fruitful and has served the purpose envisaged. Detailed analysis may kindly be seen in Annexure – V. Suggestions and comments of the participants may also kindly be seen. The success of the programme is evident in the analysis that 70% of respondents (i.e., 49 out of 71) have opined that the innovativeness of sessions were "outstanding," and second highest available rating "Good" also was given by 20 participants (28.6%), and thus the analysis/comments are self-explanatory.
- ❖ Certificates have been given to all seventy-one (71) participants who attended and completed the training programme. Appreciation certificates have been given to the Course Director, Course Coordinator, Course Co-coordinator, and other members of the organizing team.
- ❖ This training programme was organized under the overall guidance and support of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor of Visva-Bharati. Secretarial assistance and support were provided by the office of the Registrar, Visva-Bharati, and the office of the Finance Officer, Visva-Bharati.

It is felt that such training programmes will create an enabling working environment and lead to Good Governance. It will bring efficiency, effectiveness, transparency, and all other attributes of Good Governance. It will also lead to development of at least 3-4 in-house faculty from the Visva-Bharati which was highlighted/insisted by the honble VC of the University.

Inaugural Session on 18 May 2026, from 10.00 AM to 11.45 AM

The 2nd phase of the weeklong Training Program for the Employees of Visva-Bharati started on 18 February 2026 at 10 in the morning with the inaugural session. The inaugural session was chaired by Dr. Probir Kumar Ghosh, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Visva-Bharati, with the gracious Presence of Shri Dhaval Jain, Hon'ble District Magistrate, Birbhum, as the Chief Guest. Other dignitaries on the Dais were Shri G. P. Sharma, Former Joint Secretary, Finance, ICAR & Course Director; Prof. Amit Kumar Hazra, Director, SEI&RR, Visva-Bharati; and Dr. Bikash Mukhopadhyay, Registrar, Visva-Bharati. In his address as the Chief Guest, Shri Dhaval Jain emphasized that periodic training programmes are essential for ensuring good governance. He highly appreciated the university's initiative in organizing such a programme. He elaborately explained the various topics covered during the training and encouraged the participants to discharge their respective duties effectively in accordance with the relevant rules and regulations. The inaugural session concluded with a vote of thanks delivered by Dr. Bikash Mukhopadhyay, Registrar, Visva-Bharati. Dr. Mukhopadhyay assured all the participants that the administration would extend every possible co-operation whenever required. The session was anchored by Dr. Atig Ghosh, Assistant Professor in the Department of History and Officer-in-Charge of Public Relations (PRO).

Analysis of the feedback of Training Programme:

To collect the feedback from the participants on the different sessions and resource persons, a Google form (<https://forms.gle/FCTk6M5Yf6WicpXn9>) has been shared among the participants, and seventy-one (71) responses have been received out of the total seventy-two participants. The feedback is very positive and self-explanatory as mentioned below;

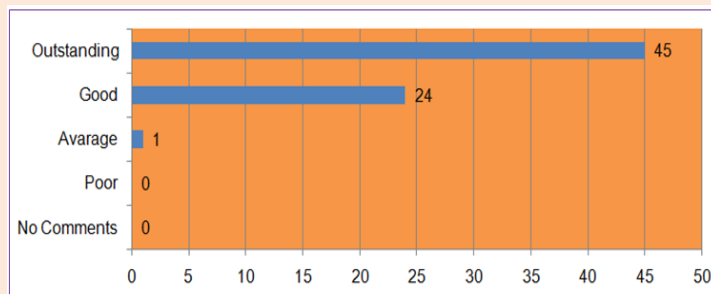
Responses on quality of the presentation: The statistical analysis of the feedback on the Contents of the Presentation indicates a highly positive response from the participants. Most presenters received a large number of "Outstanding" and "Good" ratings, reflecting the relevance, quality, and usefulness of the content delivered during the sessions. Among all presenters, Shri G. P. Sharma received the highest appreciation with 65 "Outstanding" ratings, followed by Ms. Suparna Prasad and Shri P. P. Ambastha with 59 and 57 "Outstanding" responses respectively. Shri Vivek Purwar and Shri N. K. Jha also earned notable positive feedback with 47 and 44 "Outstanding" ratings respectively, demonstrating the effectiveness and relevance of their presentation contents. The number of "Poor" ratings was extremely low for most presenters, while "Fair" responses remained comparatively limited. This suggests that the participants were generally satisfied with the depth, clarity, organization, and practical relevance of the topics covered by the resource persons. Overall, the analysis clearly reveals that the participants highly appreciated the contents of the presentations and found them informative, well-structured, and beneficial for enhancing their knowledge and professional understanding during the training programme.

Sessions	Numbers
Technical	23
Innovative	04
Interaction	01
Quiz	01
Total	29

Resources Persons	Numbers
Technical	16
Innovative	04
Interaction	01
External Guests	01
Total	22

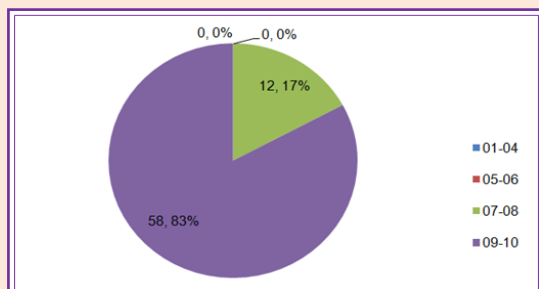
Duration	Hrs
Inaugural Session	1.5
Technical Session	34.5
Innovative Session	03
Valedictory session	2.25
Lunch & Tea Break	4.5
Total	45.75

Comments on the Level of Satisfaction: The analysis reveals that the participants were highly satisfied with the innovativeness of the sessions. Out of 71 respondents, 49 participants (69%) rated the sessions as “Outstanding,” while 20 respondents (28.17%) considered them “Good.” The responses of the remaining participants are self-explanatory. Overall, the findings reflect a very positive perception regarding the creativity and innovative approach adopted during the training sessions.



Response on Level of Satisfaction

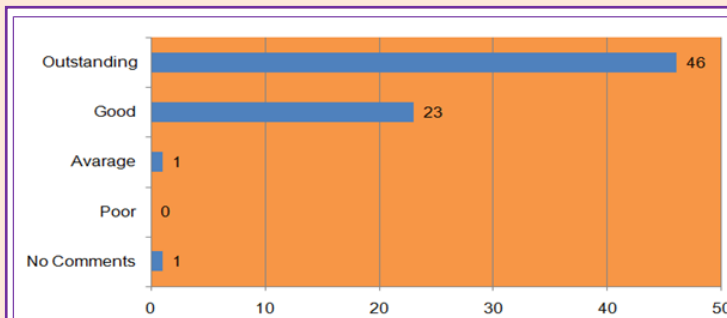
As shown in the left hand, the participants’ perceptions regarding the overall arrangements made by Visva-Bharati were highly positive. The responses were mainly concentrated in two categories — “Outstanding” and “Good.” A significant majority of the respondents (83%) rated the overall arrangements as “Outstanding,” while the remaining 17% considered them “Good.” The findings clearly indicate a high level of satisfaction among the participants regarding the arrangements made for the programme.



Response on Overall Arrangements:

Level of Satisfaction on the Designing, Coverage, Contents of the Subjects and Methodology of the lecture:

The above analysis indicates that the participants expressed a highly positive opinion regarding the design, coverage, content of the subjects, and methodology of lecture delivery. Out of 71 respondents, 46 participants (64.79%) rated these aspects as “Outstanding,” while 23 respondents (32.4%) considered them “Good.” The responses of the remaining participants are self-explanatory. Overall, the findings reflect a high level of satisfaction with the structure and delivery of the training programme.



Response on Designing, Coverage, Contents of the Subjects and Methodology of the lecture

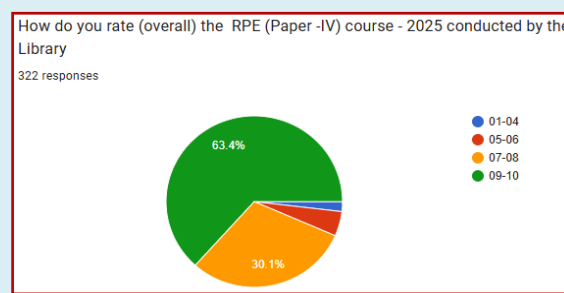
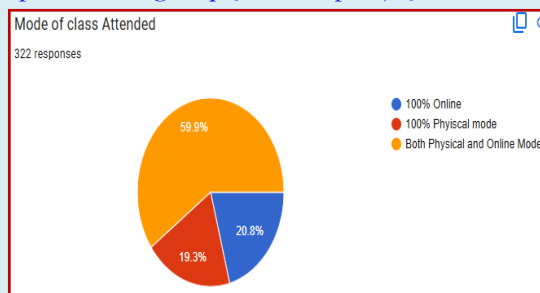
The weeklong Training Program for the Employees of Visva-Bharati concluded on 24 May 2026 at 11:35 AM with a valedictory session chaired by Dr Probir Kumar Ghosh. The session was graced by Chief Guest Dr Nazrul Islam, along with dignitaries including Shri G. P. Sharma, Course Director; Dr Bikash Mukhopadhyay, Registrar, Visva-Bharati; Dr Nimai Chand Saha, Course Coordinator; and Dr Sanat Bhattacharya, Course Co-coordinator. The valedictory session began with an AI-based online quiz conducted through the Kahoot platform, which was enthusiastically enjoyed by the participants. This was followed by a presentation by Shri Sharma, who summarized the entire training programme, including course planning, coordination with resource persons, technical arrangements, and the successful organization of the inaugural and valedictory sessions. Participants also shared their feedback and offered several constructive suggestions for future programmes. Dr Nimai Chand Saha presented a detailed report of the training programme along with an analytical review of participants’ feedback collected through an online platform. The presentation was highly appreciated by both the dignitaries and participants. In his address, Dr Nazrul Islam praised the university’s initiative and emphasized that periodic training programmes are essential for ensuring good governance and motivating employees. In his valedictory speech, the Hon’ble Vice Chancellor appreciated the efforts of all participants, resource persons, and organizers, especially Shri Sharma, for making the programme a grand success. He assured that similar training initiatives would be organized regularly and stressed the urgent need to develop in-house trainers for conducting periodic employee training programmes at Visva-Bharati. The programme concluded with the distribution of certificates among participants and organizers by the dignitaries on the dais. A formal vote of thanks was delivered by Dr Sanat Bhattacharya, while the session was anchored by Dr Atig Ghosh, Assistant Professor, Department of History, and Public Relations Officer (PRO). The valedictory session ended on a graceful note with Ashram Sangeet followed by the National Anthem.

RECENT ACTIVITIES:

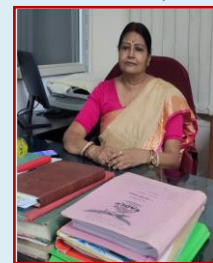
- **Documents / Article Delivery Services:** During the month 11 no. of soft copies of the articles have been collected and delivered through mail as requested by the academics/scholars.
- **Similarity Checking through DrillBit Software:** Total 427 units (total 5143 units from 01 October 2023 to 31 May 2026) or 97 Documents/Files/ Theses/ Articles/ have been checked through DrillBit during the month and on requirement, library has extended necessary assistance.
- **Exhibition and Celebration of Important Days:** The Central Library organized special exhibitions including quotations and photographs at the Reference Section, Central Library to celebrate;
 - a) 165th Birth anniversary of Noble Laureate Gurudev Rabindranath Tagore on 9 May 2026.
 - b) 208th Birth anniversary of Maharshi Debendranath Tagore on 15 May 2026
- **Total number of purchased books added during the month:**
 - Purchased books: 116 (Accn. No. 445302 - 445417) and Gift Book: NIL

RECENT ACTIVITIES:

- **Conducted special classes for common course on Research Publication Ethics” (RPE) :** Special classes on the paper “Research Publication Ethics” for Ph.D. scholars of Visva-Bharati has been arranged during 10-11 June from 3.00 PM to 5.30 PM through blended mode for three hundred twenty (320) research scholars from different disciplines. During the classes, the modalities on final examination and submission of research proposal for internal marks, revision of the contents in brief, doubt clearance, etc. etc. have been discussed. During 01-17 April, 2026 the routine classes have been arranged and feedback collected through the link <https://forms.gle/qQRAeufDpkwjQ3FC9> and total 322 candidates have submitted their feedback. A few of them are as;



- **Internship Program:** Eleven students of Department of Library and Information Science, Seacom Skill University, Kendradangal, Bolpur, Birbhum have continuing their month-long Internship Program at the Central Library Visva-Bharati from 05 May 2026. The Internship contains, Lectures, Demonstration, Books shelving including labeling pasting, digitized documents uploading on the Digital Library Database, etc. etc. they have also offered the scope to witness the practical works in different sections of Central Library to train and enhance their skills in reality.
- **Visitors:** As part of the educational tour, a team of eighty students and seven faculty members from the department of Bengali, Bajkul Milani Mahavidyalaya, Purba Medinipur have visited Central Library, Visva-Bharati on 30 May 2026 at 12.00 PM. The team has visited different sections of the Central Library and attentively takes part in an interaction session with the Librarian. After visiting the library, the students and faculty members have expressed their deep satisfaction and gratefulness.
- **Send off:** Smt. Madhumita Sengupta, Senior Office Assistant, Central Library has retired from Visva-Bharati Services on 31 May 2026 while she joined as Junior Office Assistant cum typist at Registrar Office in the permanent position on 08 April 1990. Then she has been transferred to Vidya Bhavana Office on 01 December 1990 and finally he has been transferred to Central Library on 22 December 2019. During her long 36 years of service she has discharge her service with most satisfaction. The Visva-Bharati Library Network has arranged one meet as a mark of her last working day on 29 May 2026 at 04.30 PM where all the staff members recollected their past experience with Smt. Sengupta. Her exemplary calm-cool and punctual presence is really memorable and any one may wish to follow. Visva-Bharati Library Network wishes her all the best in the post-service life.



New Arrivals (Books and Periodicals)

- **Books (click)**
- **Journals (click)**

IMPORTANT LINKS:

- **AIU eLibrary (<https://aiu.refread.com/>):** The Association has established a Library and Documentation Division in 1964. It provides its services to students/researchers/faculty members of Higher Education as Reference Library and Resource Centre and acts as a knowledge base on higher education. The Division has a very rich library of international and Indian books and journals on higher education. There are more than 21,000 documents and 150 current periodicals available in the Library. On request, the Division supplies information on subject bibliographies and selective information on higher education system. The Library Documentation Division was renamed in 2019 as AIUIRCHE (AIU Information Resource Centre in Higher Education).
- **OALib Journal (<https://www.oalib.com/>):** OALib is currently hosting links and metadata to more than 5,829,094 open access articles covering a wide range of academic disciplines. All full text articles from your search results are free to download. OALib Journal is a scholarly, peer-reviewed, open access journal covering all subject areas in STM (Science, Technology and Medicine) as well as Social Sciences. The OALib Articles from the OALib Journal are stored in the Open Access Library (OALib).

CONFERENCES/SEMINARS/TRAINING PROGRAMME:

- Central Library and Department of Library & Information Science, Kalinga University, Naya Raipur, Chhattisgarh, India, in collaboration with IIIT, Naya Raipur, Chhattisgarh, India will organize International Conference on Transforming Libraries through AI for a Smarter Knowledge, Future ICTL-2026, during 19 -20 JUNE 2026. For more details click on <https://cdn.kalingauniversity.ac.in/Transforming-Libraries-through-AI/International%20Conference.pdf>
- A Four-Day National Workshop on Data Carpentry and AI/ML Tools for Libraries Organized by B. C. Roy Memorial Library, IIM Calcutta during 20-23 August, 2026. For more details: <https://library.iimcal.ac.in>



Moments of visit of the team from Bajkul Milani Mahavidyalaya



Moments of meet on the occasion of last working day of Smt. Madhumita Sengupta