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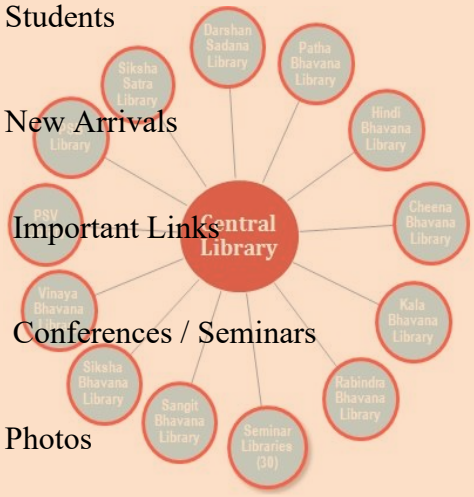

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Online Library Membership Registration: Guide for New Students

One must first fill out the Online Membership Registration to get a new library card. The process of online registration is given below;

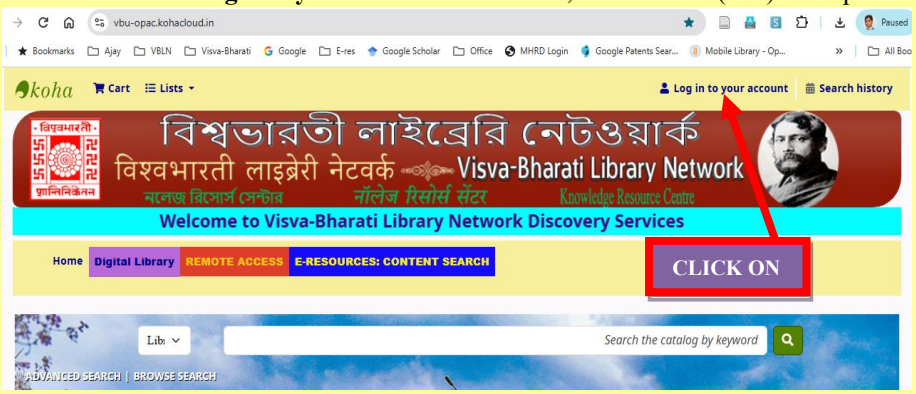
A. Online Library Membership Registration: *Guide for New Library Card*

Students/ Users are advised to follow the guidelines for filling up the Online Membership Registration as noted below;

1. Candidate must have one e-mail account.
2. Candidates may visit Central Library, Bhavana Library, or the Department to complete the online Membership Registration Form. They may also use their devices from anywhere through the link https://vbu-opac.kohacloud.in/cgi-bin/koha/opac-memberentry.pl.OR

a. Open Visva-Bharati Website (https://www.visvabharati.ac.in/home/).
b. Click Library on the content page of the Visva-Bharati Website.
c. Click Library VBLN Discovery with OPAC (fifth item from the left-hand side), then click on https://vbu-opac.kohacloud.in/

3. Click on the "**Login to your account**" Menu bar; one window (box) will open.



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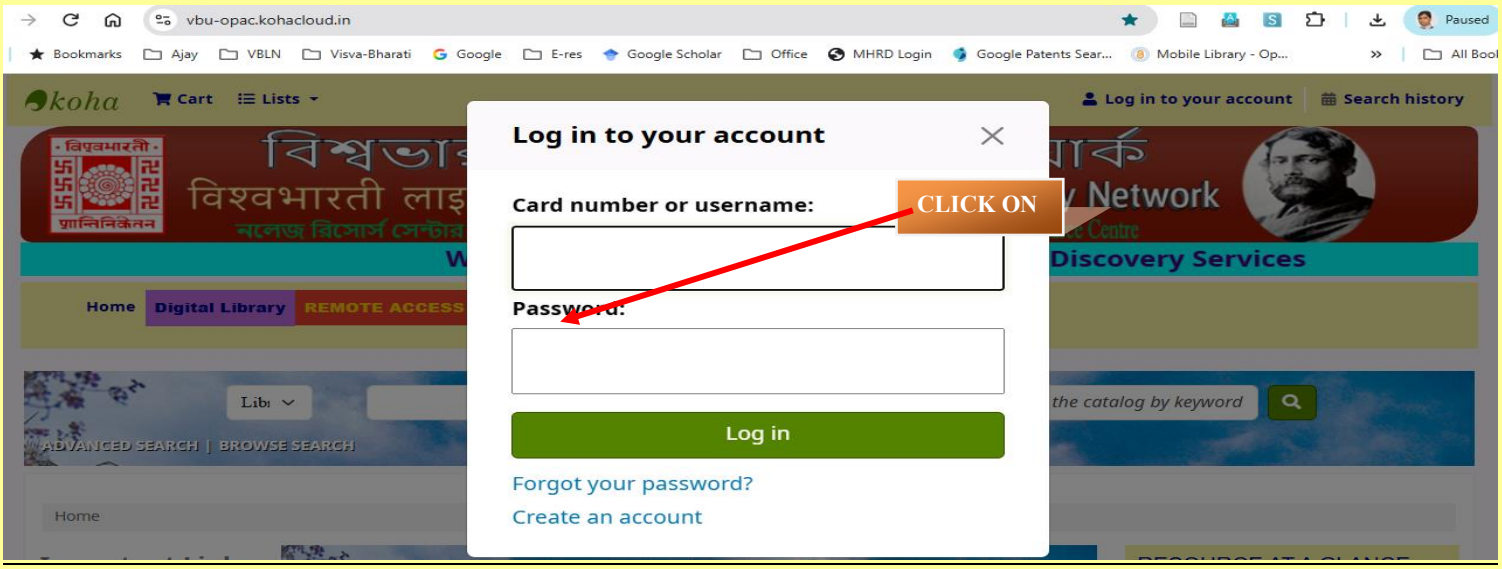
7. Click on: **Create an account**. Register to open /get the registration form.

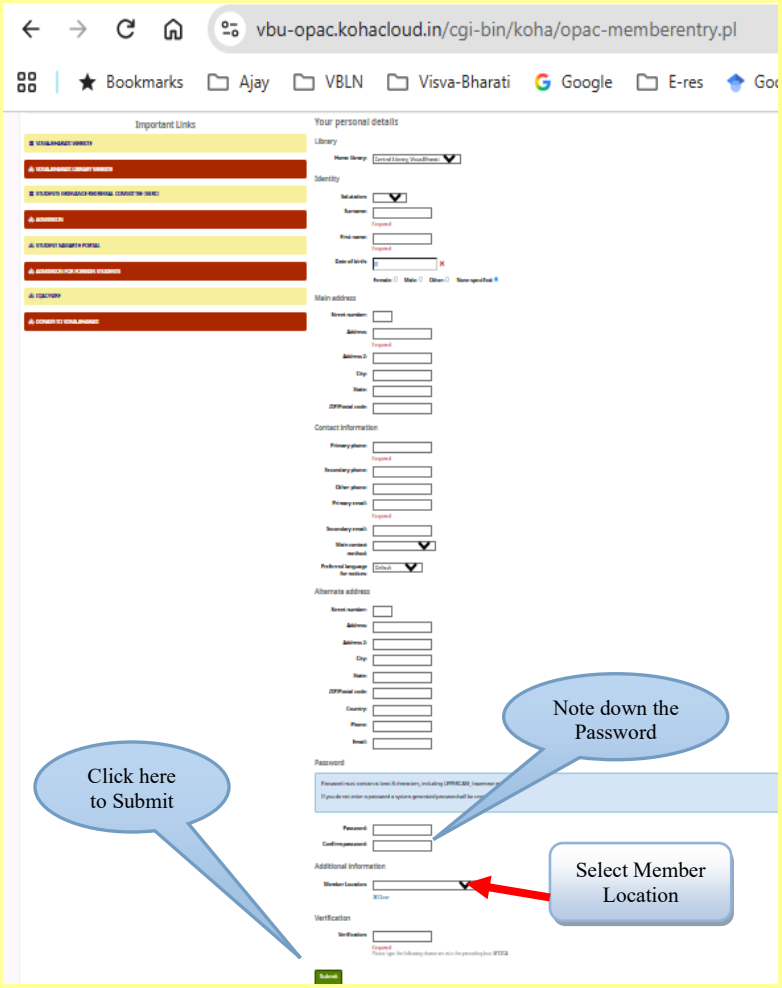


8. Fill up the form carefully. Recheck your e-mail ID and Mobile number properly (Address 1 – Permanent residential address, Address 2 – Local/ temporary address) before submitting.

   a. Use Upper Case (Capital Letters) in all columns except the e-mail address

   b. For Password - Password must contain at least eight (8) characters, including UPPERCASE, lowercase, and numbers.

   c. Member Location – The candidate has to select their department from the dropdown menu.



9. Visit the Central Library Circulation Desk with the following Documents/Items
   - University ID Card,
   - University Enrolment Card,
   - Any Photo ID card as Address Proof.

   [Faculty and Staff may bring their Joining Circular/Report and c above]

10. Intimate generated ID no (as mentioned in sl. no.10) to the staff of Circulation Desk, Central Library, and follow the advice from the staff.

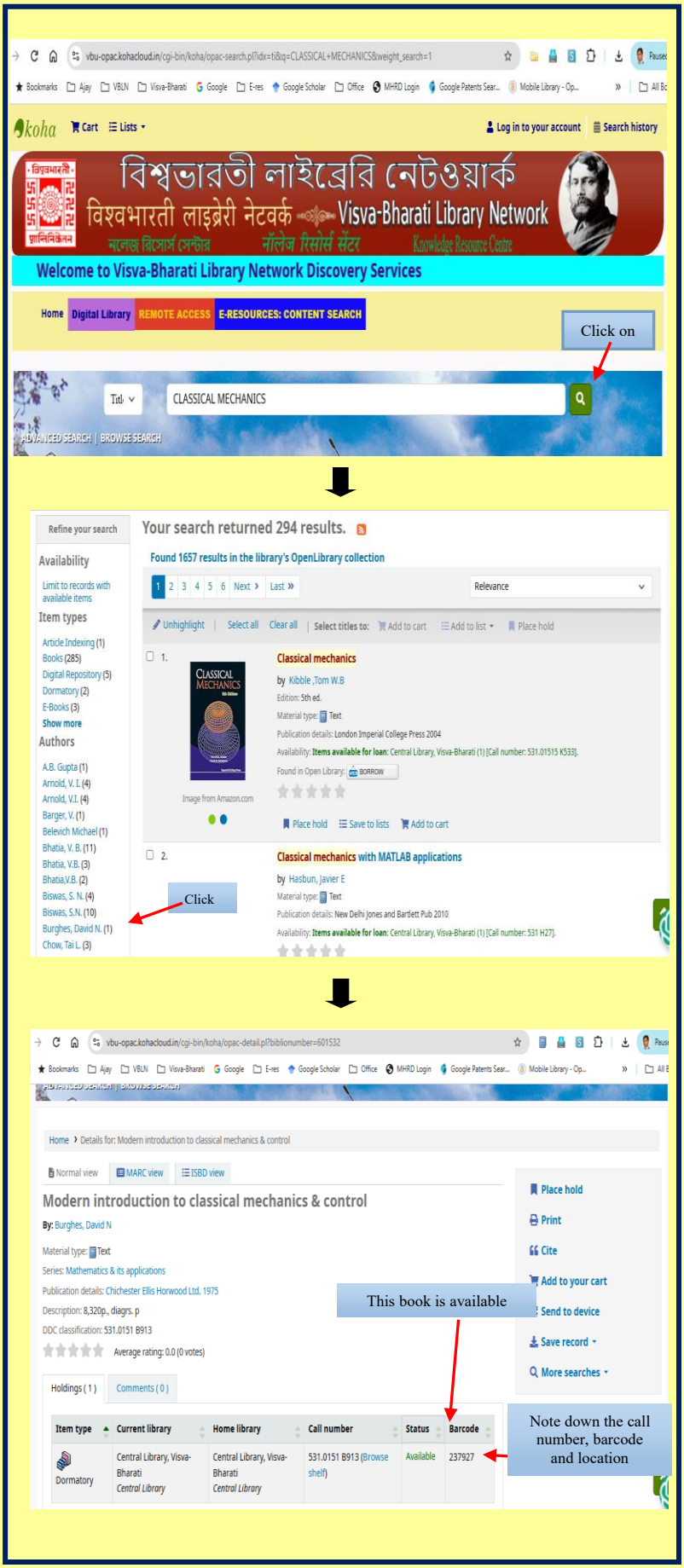
11. Staff will capture one Photo of each candidate for the Library Card.

12. Visit again after two working days at the Circulation Desk, Central Library, to collect the Library Card.

After getting a library card, every member must search the library catalog and also check their transaction (issue/ return of library book(s)) details through 'My Account' where the user ID will be the Library Card no. and for Password, you have to use your Password used during registration

C. How to search a book using OPAC: Students/ Users are advised to check the procedure given below to search a book.

Shown Below is an illustration of how to search the book "CLASSICAL MECHANICS" by Burghes, David N



1. Go to https://vbu-opac.kohacloud.in/ and Login with your credentials.
2. Write Title of the book in Search box and click on search.
3. Select the Author and location of library (if required)
4. Now you can see which book(s) are available and which are not.
5. Click on any book which is available .
6. Note down the call number, barcode and location.
7. Go to Central Library or Sectional Library according to the location

NOTE: Books will generally be issued for 30 days and the term may be extended by a further period of 30 days at the discretion of the Librarian.

Number (of Books) and duration for issue:

Category of Members	Vols. at a time	Duration
Adhyapakas	20	Six Months
Scholars-in-Residence / Emeritus Professors / Adjunct Professors / Professor on Re-employment	10	Six Months or tenure of appointment, whichever is less
Librarian / Deputy Librarians / Assistant librarians / Information Scientist	20	30 days
Research Associates / Research Scholars / M. Phil Students / Research Fellows (Project) & Pool Officers / Post-doctoral Scholars	8	30 days
Visiting Teachers / Guest Teachers / Part-time Research Teacher Candidates (PRTC)	5	30 days
Post-graduate, Honours / Post Diploma / B.Ed Students	6	30 days
Certificate and Diploma Students of Language Groups, Kala, Sangit, Students of Patha-Bhavana (Senior) & Siksha Satra (Senior)	2	30 days
Students of Patha-Bhavana (Junior) & Siksha Satra (Junior)	1	30 days
Administrative Staff (Dept. Heads)	5	30 days
Non-Academic Staff including Library Staff, Other Members as specified in rule 2	2	30 days
House Tutor (Requisition Countersigned by respective Principal)	5	7 days

If a book is lost/ damaged, the borrower shall replace it with the same or latest edition / pay the price of the latest edition. In case of foreign books (out of print / not available in the market) exchange rate should be calculated at present day rate. If the book belongs to a set and is not available singly the borrower shall replace the whole set. If the binding is damaged, the cost of binding shall bear by the borrower.

A). The recoverable/realizable price will be computed as multiplier on the price mentioned in the Accession Register based onthe following criteria:

Books published before 1940:- 120 times the price mentioned in the Accession Register.
Books published between 1940-1950:- 100 times the price mentioned in the Accession Register.
Books published between 1951-1960:- 75 times the price mentioned in the Accession Register.
Books published between 1961-1970:- 60 times the price mentioned in the Accession Register.
Books published between 1971-1980:- 35 times the price mentioned in the Accession Register.
Books published between 1981-1990:- 12 times the price mentioned in the Accession Register.
Books published between 1991-2000:- 6 times the price mentioned in the Accession Register.
Books published between 2001-2010:- 3 times the price mentioned in the Accession Register.
Books published between 2010-2020:- 2 times the price mentioned in the Accession Register.
Books published on or after 2021:- actual price as mentioned in the Accession Register

B).If the price is not mentioned in the Accession Register, the recoverable price will be determined on the basis of proportionate price or current books published by the same company. Or costing of per page by same/identical publishers may be taken into consideration and then the same will be multiplied by the number of pages of the lost books.

C). Incase of foreign books or having foreign currency; the price will be multiplied by the above multiplier and then the same will be multiplied by the RBI/SBI conversion rate during the publication years, or the original price will be multiplied by the current RBI/SBI conversion rate; whichever will be lower, may be charged.

If the above noted machinery fails, then University Librarian is authorized to ascertain the recoverable price in the interest of the University to settle the matter.
This system of realization of recoverable price may be revised in 2030.

Recent activities:

- **Vigilance Awareness Week-2026:** As assigned by the university authority, the Central Library has organized Vigilance Awareness Week-2026 properly on 30 October and 02 November 2025. The concerned report is available through the link: https://www.visvabharati.ac.in/home/wp-content/uploads/2026/11/Report-on-Vigilance-Awareness-Week-2026-1.pdf
- **National Unity Day-2026 (Rashtriya Ekta Diwas 2026):** As assigned by the university authority, Visva-Bharati observed Rashtriya Ekta Diwas 2026 with great enthusiasm to commemorate the 151st birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, popularly known as the Iron Man of India, and to promote the values of national unity, integrity, and solidarity. The concerned report is available through the link: https://www.visvabharati.ac.in/home/wp-content/uploads/2026/11/Report-on-the-Observance-of-Rashtriya-Ekta-Diwas-31October2026.pdf
- **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**: A total of 220 units (total 24521 Units from 01 October 2023 to 31 October 2026) or 66 Documents/Files/ Theses/ Articles (total 5793 Documents/Files/ Theses/ Articles) have been checked through DrillBit during the month, and on request, the library has extended necessary assistance.
- **Visitors: Pascale Guilmoto-Martin is a French** visual arts teacher, artist, and children's book illustrator based in Brittany, who visited the Central Library, Visva-Bharati, on 29 October 2026 and expressed her complete satisfaction and appreciation after visiting the library. In addition, this visit was an alma mater visit for her, as she is an alumna of Visva-Bharati.
- **Exhibition and Celebration of Important Days at Reference Section, Central Library:** Organized special exhibitions of books and allied materials, including quotations and photographs, to celebrate;
  a) 158th Birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi on 2 October 2026.
  b) 151st Birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel on 31 October 2026
- **Felicitation to Dr. Ajay Kumar Sharma:** The Visva-Bharati Library Network (VBLN) recently hosted a warm felicitation ceremony to honor Dr. Ajay Kumar Sharma, Deputy Librarian and In-charge of the Cheena Bhavana Library, who also holds Additional Charge of the Hindi Bhavana Library at Visva-Bharati, upon the successful completion of his Ph.D. in Library and Information Science. During the event, Dr. Sharma shared a brief overview of his doctoral research with the attendees. Congratulating him on this academic milestone, VBLN expressed its confidence that his advanced expertise will translate into more customized and efficient library services for the academic community in the days ahead.
- **Total number of purchased books added during the month:**
  - **Purchased books:** 72 (Accn. No. 444462 – 444533) and
  - **Gift Books:** 05 (Accn. No. G-11402 - G11435)

New Arrivals (Books and Journals)

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

IMPORTANT LINKS:

- **e-PG Pathshala (**https://epgp.inflibnet.ac.in/**):** Gateway to high-quality, postgraduate-level e-content across various disciplines developed under the National Mission on Education through ICT
- **Krishikosh (**https://krishikosh.egranth.ac.in/**):** An institutional repository under the National Agricultural Research and Education System (NARES) containing a vast digital archive of thousands of historical books, rare manuscripts, technical reports, and full-text postgraduate theses in agriculture, horticulture, veterinary science, and allied disciplines.

CONFERENCES/SEMINARS/TRAINING PROGRAMME:

- **The ASLIP Conclave 2026** on "AI Revolution and Future Libraries: Learning, Leadership and Legacy" jointly organized by ASLIP and Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU) will be held on December 16, 2026, at IGNOU, Maidan Garhi, New Delhi. For more details: (https://www.upla.in/events-in-lis)
- **The 72nd ILA International Conference** on "Future Libraries: Advancing Research & Excellence (FLARE 2027)" organized by the Indira Gandhi Memorial Library, University of Hyderabad, in collaboration with the Indian Library Association (ILA), New Delhi, will be held from January 7–9, 2027, at the University of Hyderabad. For more details:https://lisportal.com/flare-2027-72nd-ila-international-conference-future-libraries



Glimpses of Observation of National Unity Day on 31 October 2026



Glimpses of Felicitation to Dr. Sharma