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WORKSHOP ON REFERENCE MANAGEMENT TOOLS

The Visva-Bharati Library Network conducted a two-day workshop on *Organizing Research with Reference Management Tools* at the Conference Hall of Central Library, Visva-Bharati during 28-29 November 2016. The 6 sessions of the workshop comprised of topics like Research and Research Ethics, Reference Management Tools like Zotero, EndNote and Mendeley, Referencing / Citing Sources and Avoiding Plagiarism, and use of URKUND software.

It was an in-house workshop. Sixty two participants completed the workshop and were issued certificates. They were faculty members and research scholars from 21 departments of Visva-Bharati. The resource persons were drawn from the Visva-Bharati Library Network like Dr. V. K. Thomas, Dr. Nimai Chand Saha, Dr. Partha Pratim Ray, Sri. Ajay Sharma, Sri. Sujit Kujur and Smt. Sabahat Nauseen.

Dr. Thomas, University Librarian guided the programme all thorough. The co-coordinators were Sri Keshab Ch. Sinha and Sri Ramprasad Mazumdar. The workshop was highly appreciated by the participants as they could enrich and update themselves with the latest development in the ICT- based research reference tools and plagiarism detection software.



Participants of the Workshop

GREEN LIBRARY CONCEPT: APPLICATION AT VISVA-BHARATI CENTRAL LIBRARY

The emerging concept 'Green Libraries' (also known as 'Sustainable Libraries') is being adopted all over the world. The term 'sustainable' relates to *forms of human economic activity and culture that do not lead to environmental degradation, esp. avoiding the long-term depletion of natural resources* (Oxford English, 2008).

Green libraries do not mean green colour library buildings. Green library can be described as a structure that is designed, built, renovated, operated or reused in an ecological and resource efficient manner.

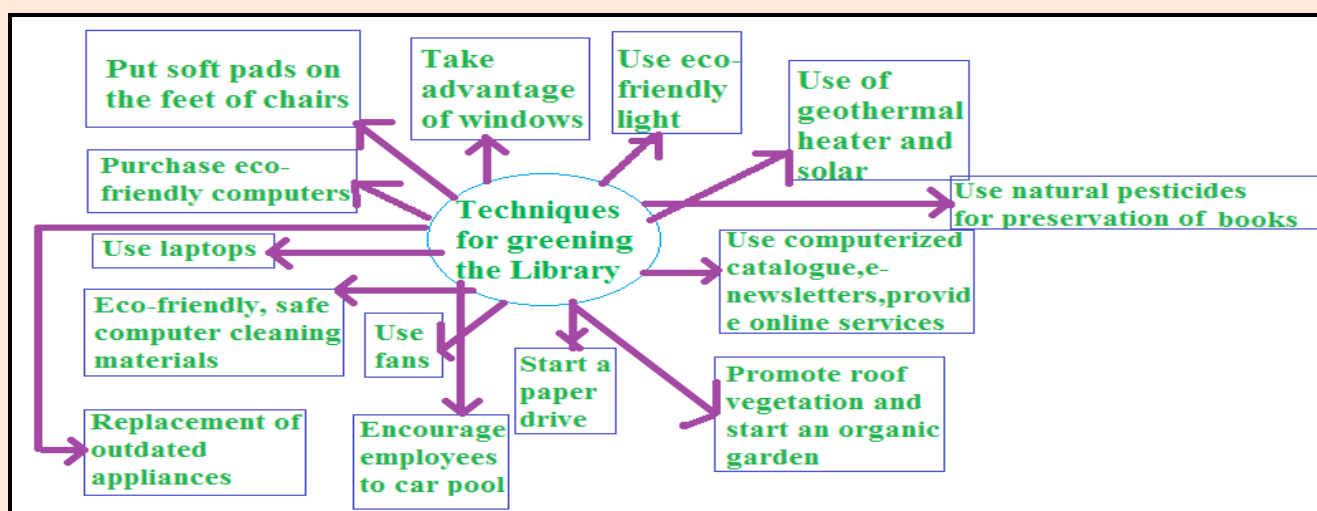
Green buildings are measured according to a rating system like the **LEED** (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) certification system, which was developed by the U.S Green Building Council. The US has today emerged as the leader in implementation green library concept. In India, *Indian Green Building Council (IGBC)* promote and rates green buildings.

Why Build Green Libraries?

There are several reasons why libraries would want to build green or incorporate green features into their buildings, a) the cost of constructing green buildings has become affordable, b) as most readily available energy resources are finite resources, it will be wise to use them prudently, and c) it is important that we reduce the carbon footprint of our buildings.

Techniques and Methods for Greening the Library

Some of the techniques on materials, energy and waste management that can be adopted for greening the library building is given below:



APPLICATION OF GREEN LIBRARY IN VISVA-BHARATI LIBRARY NETWORK

Visva-Bharati Library Network has been trying to apply green library concept at the Central Library for the past three years. It could have been more successful had efforts for introduction of solar energy materialised. However, the concept could be introduced and inculcated amongst the professionals in the Library Network. Following are some of its achievements:

Building

1. Library is located in independent buildings.
2. The new Annex Building (housing Periodical Section) is green. The design is almost eco-friendly due to day light design. Sunlight comes through the roof top glass dome. Cross ventilation is total.
3. Landscaping around the building has been maintained.
4. Conscious efforts made to reduce the use of hazardous chemicals inside/outside the Library.

Universal Access

Universal access can be assured through universal design as it ensures that building design caters access to differently abled persons too. The provisions for easy access to the main entrance of the building for differently abled members are: Ramp with handrails on at least one side; friendly restrooms (toilets) in common areas; uniformity in floor level (which allows hindrance-free movement in common areas). Besides these, the following are provided for the differently abled: Braille assistance; personalized services by library staff; visual warning signage in common and exterior areas.

Energy Efficiency

- *Water efficiency:* Efficient plumbing system and regular maintenance for leakage-free plumbing system
- *Electrical energy efficiency:*
Adopting efficient electrical technology; Avoiding excessive exterior lighting;
Photocell occupancy sensor for automatic light control in the premises; Regular maintenance of electrical system; Using energy saving bulbs (compact florescent light/LED lights); Open air reading facility in the quadrangle; Conscious use of light, fans and A/Cs; Sharing of printers and computers for optimum use, and adoption of virtual desktops (thin/zero clients).

Waste Management Programme

Books & Documents:

1. Gift old reference books to libraries/individuals – in progress.
2. Relegate less used books to Dormitory – in progress.
3. Send damaged /mutilated books to recycling – last stage of the process.
4. Reorganisation of the stacks to revamp/rejuvenate the stack- almost completed.
5. Creation of museum out of discarded material of historical value –started.
6. Digitisation of books & documents- 30,000 completed.

Paper:

1. Switching over to online registration of membership, dissemination of account information through e-mail (pending books, books issued / returned etc);
2. Avoid use of paper by going digital;
3. Lessen the margins while printing;
4. Printing on both sides of paper;
5. Reuse the unprinted side; and
6. Avoid printing whenever possible.

E-Waste: Purchase of electronic products from company's which have after sales service provision for the same.

Library Services: Green Initiative

1. Accessing Information: Through OPAC and MARC records (No more card catalogues).
2. Co-operation/Inter -library loan to avoid duplication in library collection.
3. Providing digital material to patrons.
4. Provision of remote access to resources (OpenAthens).
5. Switching over to electronic resources.

Dissemination of Information: Green Initiative

1. Publication and distribution of VBLN Library e-Newsletter and other outreach publicity materials in electronic format.
2. Adoption of QR Codes on the network as well various services & facilities.
3. Focus on library website (<http://172.16.2.2/index1.html>), and social networking (Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/vbllibnet> and WikiMediaWiki <http://14.139.211.2/mediawiki/index.php>) to disseminate information.
4. Creating institutional repository.
5. Providing digital library.
6. Dissemination of information service through e-mail and website like Current Awareness Service (CAS), Newspaper Clipping Service, Scholarship Alert, New Arrival Alert Service, and Article Indexing Service which are carried out regularly on fortnightly periodicity. (**Koushik Ghosh**)



Conferences / Seminars / Workshops in Library & Information Science

1. ICSSR sponsored Two-day National Workshop on *Digitization of Information Sources in Libraries (DIS) using Open source Software (OSS) in Academic Institutions* (DILOSSAI-2016) organized by Alagappa University, Karaikudi, Tamilnadu will be held during 15 -16 December 2016. For more information call 09843456032, email- cbklis@gmail.com
2. GIATM University, Vizag is organizing a National Conference on *Information Technology in Libraries* at GIATM University, Vizag, Andhra Pradesh during 23-24 December 2016. For more information visit website: www.gitam.edu or email- gulibrarian@gmail.com, librarian@gitam.edu
3. NISCAIR's Short Term Training Programme on *Introduction to Computer Networking with Windows* will be held during 9-13 January 2017. Contact address: Head, Education and Training Division, NISCAIR, 14-Satsang Vihar Marg, New Delhi- 110067. Email: training@niscair.res.in, narendrakumar@niscair.res.in.
4. Indian Institute of Science Education and Research (IISER), Pune is going to organize the National Conference on Library Innovations for Excellence (LIFE-2017) *Exertion to establish Knowledge Society: Responsibility of Academic Libraries* during 16-17 February 2017. For more information contact Dr. Umeshreddy Kacherki, Organizing Secretary, Phone 022-25908004, email-life2017@iiserpune.ac.in.
5. Jharkhand Information and Library Association is going to organize a two day National Conference on *Library and Information Management in Digital Environment* (JILACON'17) during 25-26 February, 2017. For more information log on to: <http://www.jilaranchi.org.in>
6. Moti Lal Rastogi School of Management, Lucknow is organizing an one day National Seminar on *Organizational Development through Knowledge Management in Digital India* (NSODKMDI-2017) on 16 February 2017. More information at: <http://www.mlrs.com>.
7. UGC sponsored Short Term Course on Library and Information Science will be organized by UGC-HRDC Jadavpur University, Jadavpur, during 05-11 January 2017. For more details contact: Prof. Subarna Kumar Das (m) 9433356732 Dept. of Library and Information Science Jadavpur University, Jadavpur.

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Notice

Vidwan Database: Dept. of Higher Education, MHRD desires that all (faculty and researchers) update their information on 'Vidwan: Expert Database and National Research Network'. <https://vidwan.inflibnet.ac.in/>. The 'Vidwan ID' might eventually be mandatory field in proforma for various projects proposals and assessment system.

New Arrivals (Books and Periodicals)

[Books](#) (click)

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Some Recent Library Activities / Developments

- **User Education Programme:** The programme on OpenAthens (Remote Access) was organized at the Conference Hall, Central Library on 15 November at 3 pm. The Training Specialist from EBSCO Information Services conducted the class. It was attended by 14. (*Vide photo at end pages*)
- **New Info. Service introduced: Article Indexing Service** (*Details in next page*)
- **Cheena Bhavana Library - MoA with Shanghai Library, China:** Cheena Bhavana Library has signed an MoA (Memorandum of Agreement) with Sanghai Library, People's Republic of China on 3 November 2016 for three years.
Through this MoA, Sanghai Library will provide 500 copies of books in the 1st year of MoA and subsequently 100 books per year. This will be of great help in collection and development of Cheena Bhavana Library. Development of digital library, preservation of old, rare and important books in damaged condition and restoration of library materials would also be possible through this agreement. The MoA between the two libraries gains important significance in Indo - China educational exchanges. (*Vide photo at end pages*)
- **Patha Bhavana Library:** Organised a Library Orientation Programme for Junior Section (Class I-IV) on 8 November 2016 at Singha Sadan (*Vide photo at end pages*).
- **Visit to Sectional Libraries:** University Librarian, Dr. V. K. Thomas and Deputy Librarian, Dr. Nimai Chand Saha visited Patha Bhavana, Cheena Bhavana and Hindi Bhavana Libraries on 4 Nov. and Sangit Bavana, Kala Bhavana and Rabindra Bhavana Libraries on 11 Nov. to review progress of works.
- **Vigilance Awareness Week 2016**
Central Library, Visva-Bharati organized a week long Vigilance Awareness Programme from 31 October to 5 November 2016. Following were the various programmes:
 - 31 Oct: Pledge taking on Integrity for Organization and Citizen in the Central Library quadrangle.
 - 1 Nov: Vigilance of Stack from 10.30 am till 4.30 pm by all staff of Central Library.
 - 3 Nov: Debate on *Is compromising on working hours an unethical activity?* and a quiz competition were conducted at Conference Hall of Central Library. Prof Sabujkoli Sen, and Prof Sankar Majumder, conducted the programme.
 - 5 Nov: Speech on *Transparency in Procurement of Goods and Services* by Dr. Prashant Meshram, Accounts Officer, VB. Twenty four (24) participants attended the Lecture. (*Vide photo at end pages*)
- **New Additions (Books) during November 2016**
 - Central Library:** Purchased 42 (426375-426416) & Gift 34 (G9181-G9214)
 - Cheena Bhavana Library:** Gift 8 (CG4527-CG4534)
 - Hindi Bhavana Library:** Gift: 29 (No. HG127 - HG155)
 - Sangit Bhavana Library:** Purchased 138 (MB35829- MB35966)
- **Exhibition and Celebration of Important Days:** The Central Library organized special exhibitions, in the Reference Section, of books and allied materials including quotations and photographs to celebrate birth anniversary of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru on 14 Nov. and that of Rathindranath Tagore on 27 Nov.

Staff publication:

Atanu Kumar Sinha, Professional Assistant, PSV Library published a paper titled *Digital Information Literacy of Post Graduate Students of Visva-Bharati: A Survey* in the proceedings of 10th Convention of PLANNER of INFLIBNET held at NEHU, Shillong, Meghalaya during 09-11 November 2016. www.inflibnet.ac.in/planner2016/docs/schedule.pdf.

Article Indexing Service

Article Indexing is the latest information service initiated by the Visva-Bharati Library Network.

The target is to index articles from all print journals subscribed to by the Library. Besides citation, each index will contain an abstract.

So far 945 articles have been indexed from 29 journals. (Use the QR code to see the list of journals as well the whole index running into 497 pages)

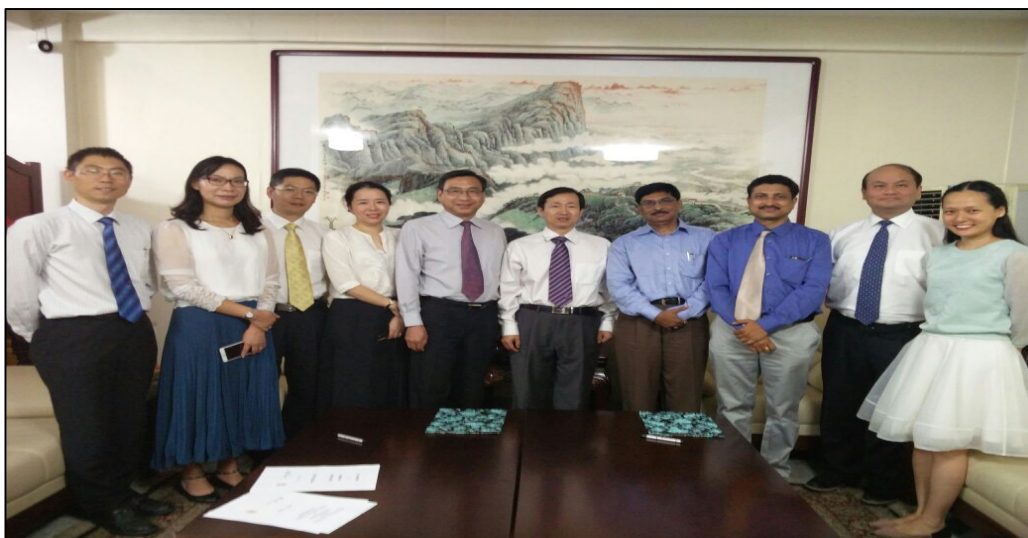


How to search Article Indexing Database: On opening the Library OPAC (<http://172.16.2.2:8380/opac/>), → choose 'Article database' from 'Database' field and →select from the required element from bibliographical field like 'Author', 'Title', 'Subject' etc.

Make your search (simple search or advanced). One could browse all the articles too.

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Signing of MoA with Shanghai Library: Mr Ma Zhanwu, Consul General of People's Republic of China, Prof. Amit Hazra and Dr. Avijit Banerjee from Visva Bharati and officials from Shanghai Library



Vigilance Awareness Week 2016: Debate and Quiz Competition in progress



Patha Bhavana: Library Orientation Programme on 8 Nov.



Vigilance Awareness Week 2016: Speech by Dr. Prashant Meshram on 5 Nov.



Blooming Flowers: Central Library Garden



Training on OpenAthens (Remote Access) on 15 Nov.



Workshop on Reference Management in Session