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<https://www.indiastat.com>

Explore the right perspective on India

Based on the usage and to fulfill the ever increasing requirements of the library users, Visva-Bharati Library Network has increased access facility to Indiastat.com from three-user to five-user. It is an India's most comprehensive e-resource socio-economic data.

Indiastat.com serves with authentic and perhaps the most comprehensive compilation of secondary level socioeconomic statistical information about India and its states on various socio-economic parameters. These parameters are General Information, Demographics, Economy, Agriculture, Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs, Environment and Forest, Industries, Infrastructure, Companies, Education, Health, Housing, Labour and Workforce, Polity, Media, Insurance, Tourism, Crime & Law, Social Welfare and Development Schemes, etc. Indiastat.com provides secondary level socioeconomic Statistical Information about India, its states, regions, and sectors.

It is an initiative of Datanet India Pvt. Ltd. was launched on 14 November, 2000. It is a gateway to comprehensive and authentic socio-economic information related to India. This web portal provides well compiled and ready to use India-specific socio-economic statistical information called out from various authentic secondary sources. Indiastat.com is a cluster of 56 sites including 19 sectors-specific and 31 India/State/UTs specific sites, and 6 Regional specific sites. Over half-a-million pages of statistical data have been qualitatively analysed, condensed and presented in a user-friendly format on the portal. The socio-economic statistical data has been categorized in more than 35 classifications and further sub-divided into various sub-categories.

This exhaustive compilation of data can easily be accessed in three or four clicks and can be searched for any fact or figure. The data can be downloaded in MSeExcel/HTML formats. Researchers, students and faculty of Visva-Bharati can easily access the database covering all major parameters for research, study, review and reference purposes. Information available online can be used by them as per their need and discretion. With over 5,00,000 comprehensive pages on the net, the site covers wide ranging topics like agriculture, demographics, market forecast, health, media, economy, crime, social welfare etc.

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Visva-Bharati can access indiastat.com by IP login which implies that you are on the university network while you log in.

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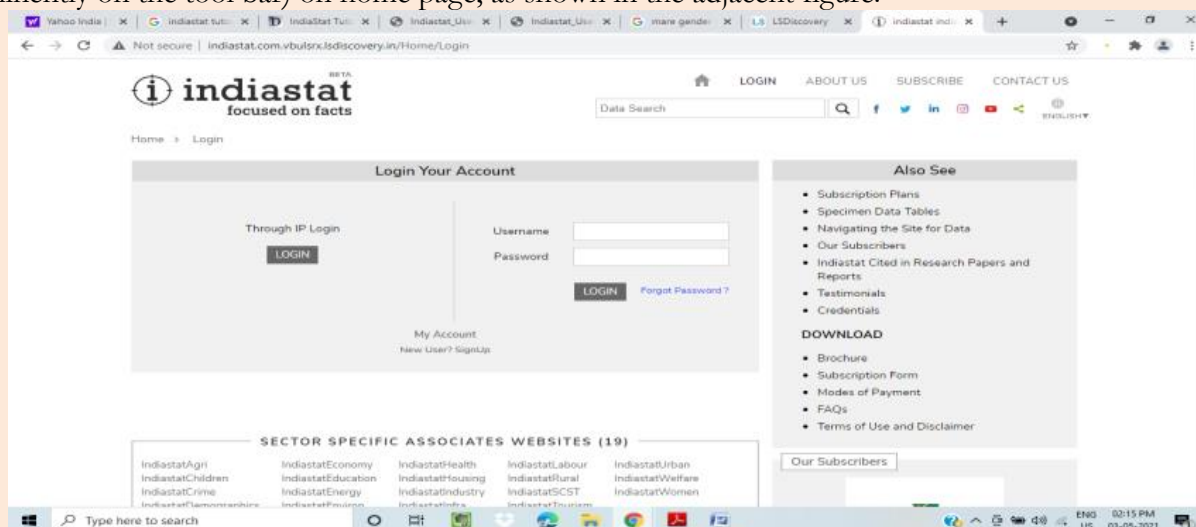
- i) The access is restricted five-user at a time. In case you fail to get access, kindly wait for your turn.
- ii) Log –in is required for downloading only.

How to start

- ✓ Users can start navigating for data available on the site through any of the following three different ways: By clicking on IP Login on the toolbar – at home page (indiastat.com) (Log –in is required only if you download)
- ✓ By navigating the site – through the section “Statistical Information” available on the left panel on its home page, and
- ✓ By searching the data on site – through the “Search” box given on its home page.

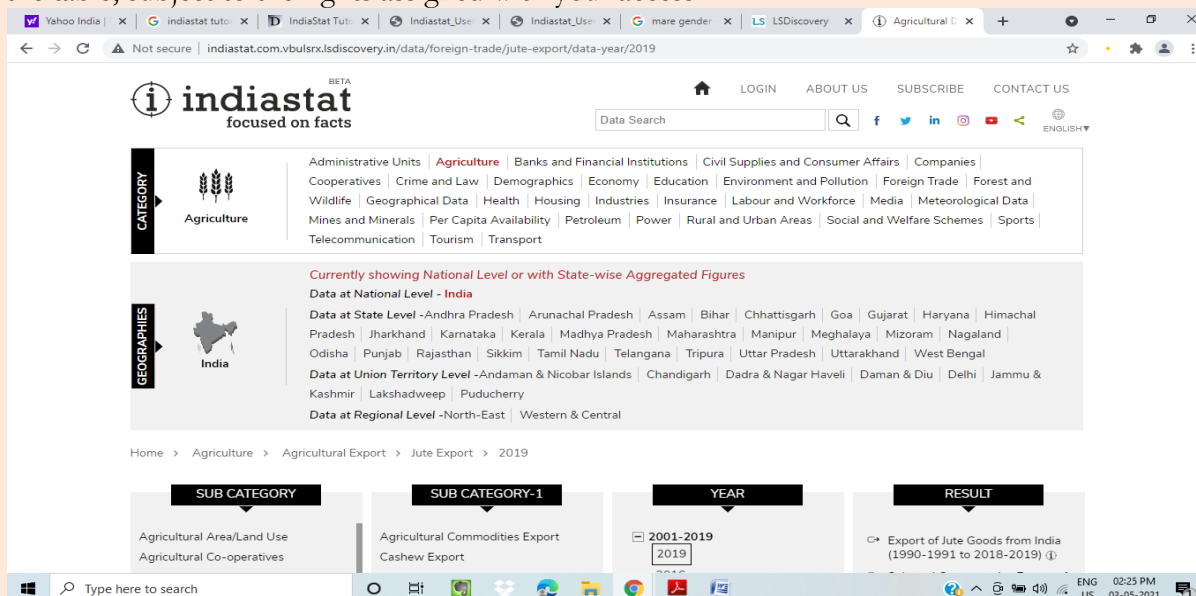
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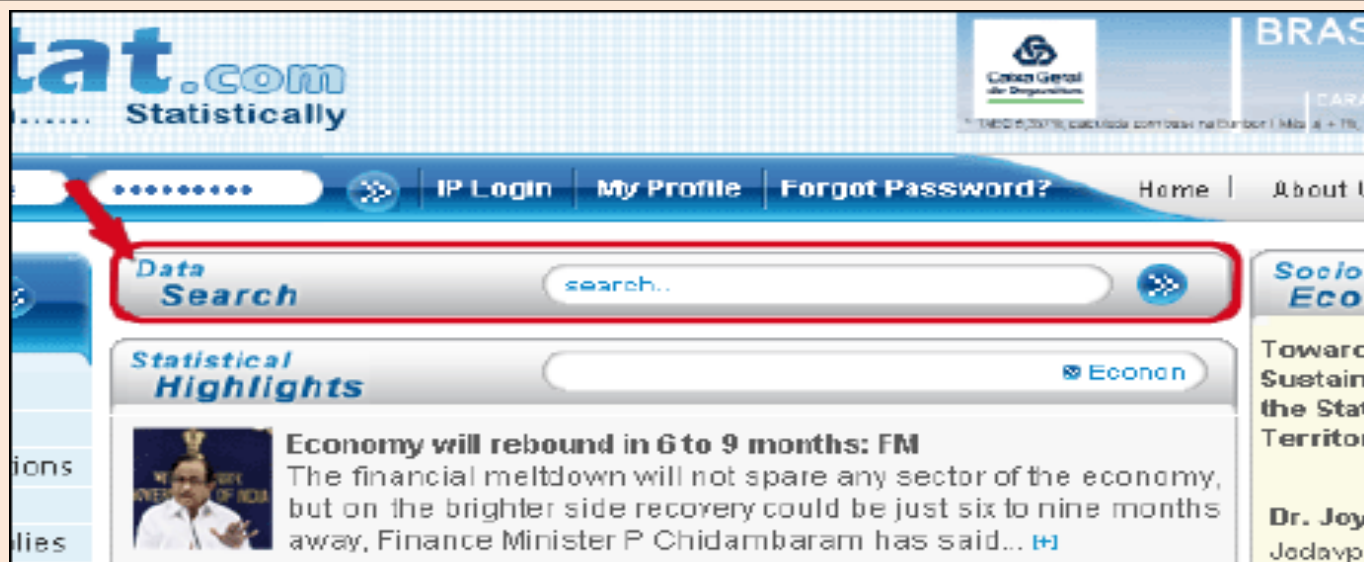
- ✓ It is advisable to start navigating the site by logging-in as suggested below: Click on the IP Login option (shown prominently on the tool bar) on home page, as shown in the adjacent figure.



Navigation for data

- ✓ Whether logged in or not, click the requisite Data Category, under “Statistical Information” shown on the left panel.
- ✓ You get on screen the alphabetical list of its sub-categories. Clicking a sub-category will lead you to a further sub-category or to the list of data table headings pertaining to the sub-category clicked.
- ✓ The page showing data table heading shows you data at India level or State-wise or Region-wise consolidated data. Click on any State/ Union Territory/ Region name, would further take you to the data table listing page, for the clicked State/Union Territory. Region, under the said heading.
- ✓ Click the table heading to view the data table that will be shown in a separate window.
- ✓ In case not logged in, the following window would appear asking you to log in – thru home page.
- ✓ Once the data table is displayed, you may download the data table in MS-Excel, MS-Word or HTML format and/or print the table, subject to the rights assigned with your access.





Searching the data available on site Data can be search on site thru the “Search” box shown prominently below the top tool bar. The data available, relating to the keyword or phrase submitted by you would appear as search result in the form of a list of data table headings. By click any table heading to view the data by following the instruction given in Para ‘Navigating for Data’ above.

Time-out period

Time-out period of browser is 20 minutes. Thereafter, re-login would be required.

RECENT ACTIVITIES:

- **As innovative step, Central Library, Visva-Bharati, Served Refreshing Drinks to Readers:** To provide relief from the scorching summer heat, Central Library, Visva-Bharati distributed glucose water and lemon water to its readers on 01 June 2026. The initiative aimed to keep students, researchers, hydrated and comfortable while using library facilities. Readers appreciated the thoughtful gesture, which reflects the library's commitment to the well-being of its academic community. The unique and innovative step has been taken by University Librarian, Dr. Nimai Chand Saha and received an enthusiastic response from library readers.
- **Conducted special Lecture Session for Interns:** A special lecture has been arranged on 03 June 2026 at 4.00 PM for the interns of the Dept. of Library and Information Science, Seacom Skills University, Kendradangal, Bolpur. The lecture was delivered by Dr. Kishor Chandra Satpathy, Librarian, ISI, Kolkata. The lecture offered valuable insights into the evolving role of libraries in the digital age, emerging information resources and services, career opportunities in LIS, and effective strategies for facing job interviews. Dr. Satpathy shared his rich professional experiences and provided practical guidance on skill development and career planning. The session was both informative and inspiring.
- **World Environment Day- 2026:** Central Library, Visva-Bharati observed World Environment Day 2026 with the theme "Inspired by Nature. For Climate. For Our Future." To mark the occasion, saplings were distributed among library users, and tree plantation activities were conducted within the library premises to promote environmental awareness and sustainability. The programme reflected Visva-Bharati Library Network's commitment to fostering a greener and healthier future for all.
- **Demonstration program:** A demonstration program on “Acceleration of Research with JSTOR” has been arranged on 24 June 2026 at 11.00 AM. Mr. Jayanta Guha, Director of Library Relations, South & South Asia, JSTOR (Ithaka) was kind enough to physically attend at the Conference Hall to address on the topic on blended mode. The audience comprising forty-seven physical attendees while the hundred seventy-five was online attendees. The participant in and out from Visva-Bharati was beneficiary of the session and interaction was the need of symbol.

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- **Successful completion of Internship Program:** The Central Library, Visva-Bharati successfully conducted a month long internship program for ten students from the Department of Library Science at Seacom Skills University, Kendradangal, Bolpur, Birbhum and one from the Department of Library Science, Pondicherry University, Puducherry, India. During the program, the students received practical training in circulation, cataloging, acquisition using Koha LMS, and other essential library housekeeping operations. The internship provided valuable hands-on experience in modern library management and services. Central Library has arranged one warm farewell for the group on 12 June 2026 and wishes every success in their future academic and professional endeavors.
- **Special drive on dusting and Cleaning of Reading Room Collections:** As part of its regular maintenance activities, the Central Library carried out systematic dusting and cleaning of books, shelves, reading areas, and other facilities to ensure the preservation of library resources and a comfortable environment for users. Behind the scenes, the dedicated library staff works diligently to maintain a clean, organized, and welcoming space. During the summer recess, a special drive on 14 June 2026 (Sunday) was taken to re-live the reading room collections. Through these efforts, the library reaffirms its commitment to providing an ideal atmosphere for learning, research, and the pursuit of knowledge.
- **Documents / Article Delivery Services:** During the month 09 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 1448 units (total 21769 Units from 01 October 2023 to 31 May 2026) or 380 Documents/Files/ Theses/ Articles (total 53121 Documents/Files/ Theses/ Articles) have been checked through DrillBit during the month and on requirement, library has extended necessary assistance.
- **Visitors:** Dr. Kaustav Chakrabarti, Librarian, Sister Nivedita Government General Degree College, Kolkata has visited the Central Library Visva-Bharati on 01 June 2026 along with his wife. After visiting the library and witnessing the innovative activities Served Refreshing Drinks to Readers glucose water and lemon water to relief the readers from the scorching summer heat, they were overwhelmed and expressed their enriching satisfaction.
- **Exhibition and Celebration of Important Days:** The Central Library organized special exhibitions including quotations and photographs at the Reference Section, Central Library to celebrate;
 - World Environment Day on 05 June 2026.
 - International Day of Yoga 21 June 2026.
- **Total number of purchased books added during the month:**
 - Purchased books: NIL and Gift Book: NIL

New Arrivals (Books and Periodicals)



Books (click)



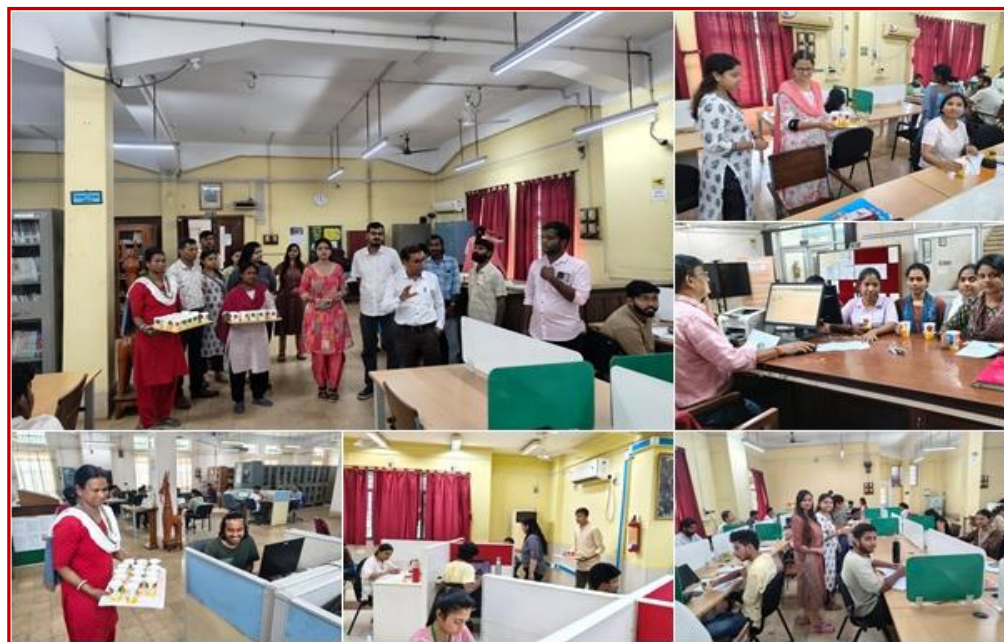
Journals (click)

IMPORTANT LINKS:

- **Publications Division** (<https://www.publicationsdivision.nic.in/index.php?route=common/home>): Publications Division is a repository of books and journals highlighting subjects of national importance and India's rich cultural heritage. Established in 1941, Publications Division has emerged as a premier publishing house of the Government of India, enriching national knowledge repository in distinctive streams.
- **Raja Rammohun Roy Library Foundation (RRRLF)** (<http://www.rrrlf.nic.in/Default.aspx>): RRRLF is a central autonomous organization established and fully financed by the Ministry of Culture, Government of India. RRRLF is registered under the West Bengal Societies Registration Act, 1961. It is the nodal agency of the Government of India to support public library services and systems and promote public library movement in the country commensurate with the objectives as embodied in its Memorandum of Association.

CONFERENCES/SEMINARS/TRAINING PROGRAMME:

- 13th Convention Planner 2026 (Promotion of Library Automation and Networking in North-Eastern Region) organized by INFLIBNET Gandhinagar in collaboration with Gauhati University, Guwahati, Assam during September 18, 2026 at 9am to September 20, 2026 (For more details: <https://planner.inflibnet.ac.in/>)
- The Fr. Arrupe Central Library, St. Xavier's University, Kolkata, is organizing a Two-Day National Conference on "Bridging Knowledge, Technology, and Society through Libraries" on 25 and 26 September 2026 at Fr. Albert Huart Hall (Auditorium), St. Xavier's University, Kolkata (For more details: <https://sxuklibrary.wixsite.com/bktsl-26>).



Glimpses of Served Refreshing Drinks to Readers glucose water and lemon water



Moments of Observation of World Environment Day



Moments of warm send-off to the interns



Moments of Demonstration Program on JSTOR