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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 02-07 February 2026, from 10 am to 5 pm 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-Ordinator. 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:

- ✦ The course content was designed to cover all topics related to day-to-day office operations to facilitate a smooth workflow post-training. A unique slot of thirty (30) 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. There was one experienced and renowned Chartered accountant to address participants' taxation needs, including GST and Income tax.
- ✦ 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. Training materials were provided to all participants through a WhatsApp Group created for them, enabling them to use them as needed in the future as well.
- ✦ All arrangements for the smooth conduct of the week-long training programme were made in a befitting manner.
- ✦ After completion of all sessions, participants' feedback was also collected through a Google Form (<https://forms.gle/gtMikcbYiYhXbfbR6>). Of 72 participants, 71 responded; one participant could not respond due to technical issues with their device.
- ✦ The training programme was rated outstanding by 76.1% of participants, followed by Good (22.5%), indicating that it was extremely fruitful and served the purpose envisaged.

Certificates were given to all seventy-two participants who attended and completed the training programme. Appreciation certificates were given to the Course Director, Course Co-ordinator, Assistant Course Co-ordinator, and other members of the organizing team.

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.

### Inaugural Session

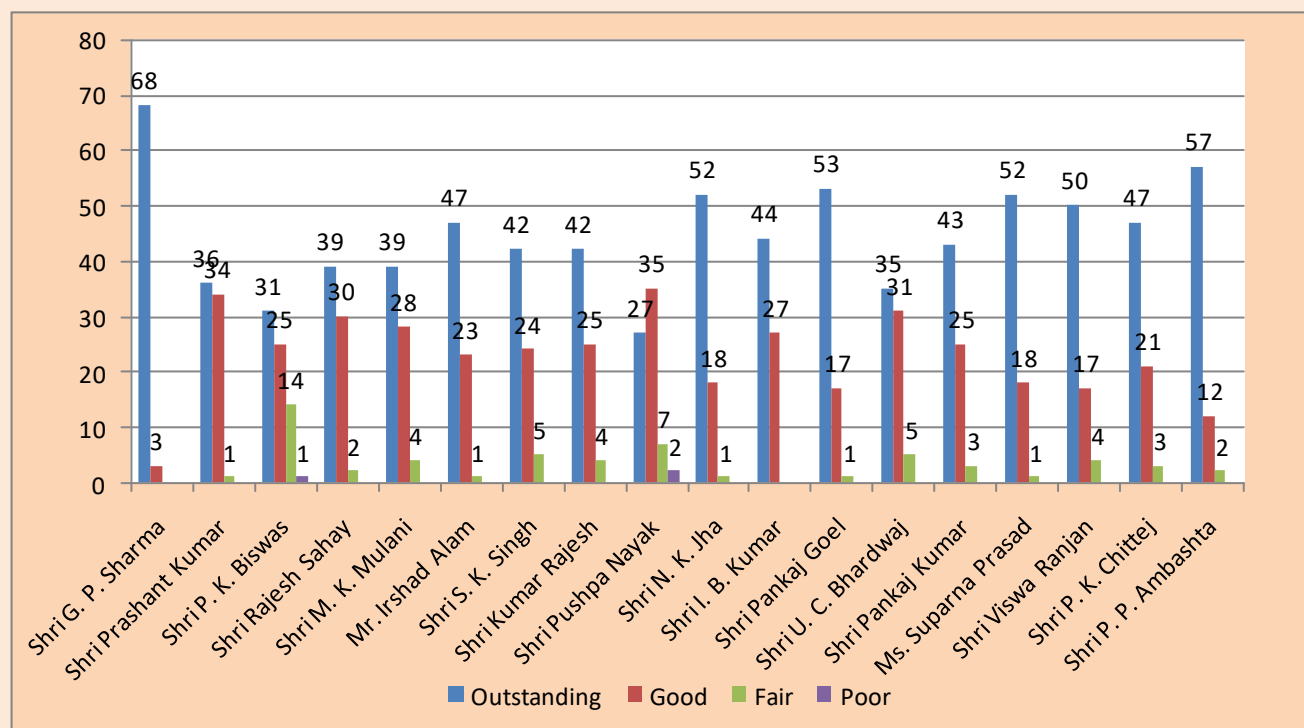
The week-long Training Program for the Employees of Visva-Bharati started on 02 February 2026 at 10 am with the inaugural session. The inaugural session was chaired by Dr. Probir Kumar Ghosh, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Visva-Bharati, with the gracious Presence of Hon'ble Shri Sandeep Sarkar, Additional Secretary, DARE, Govt. of India, and Financial Advisor, ICAR, 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. The event was initiated with an Opening Song by a student of Siksha Bhavana, followed by the lighting of the lamp and the felicitation of the guests on the Dais. The welcome address was delivered by Dr. Nimai Chand Saha, Librarian, Visva-Bharati, and Course Coordinator, followed by an address on the contents, methodology, and structure of the Training Program, as a blueprint for the program, delivered by the Course Director, Shri G. P. Sharma. During his address, the Director, SEI&RR, appreciated the initiative of the university authority for the first time at Visva-Bharati to his knowledge. In his inaugural address, the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor encouraged all participants and highlighted the importance and objectives of the Training Program. He also emphasized that improvements in the university's ranking and functions depend on the performance of its Human Resources team. To achieve the target, this training program will act as a catalyst, helping develop the required competencies and attitudes among the university's employees. In his speech as the Chief Guest, Shri Sarkar stated that without a periodic training program, ensuring good governance is difficult. He has also appreciated the university's endeavor. He explained all the topics covered in this training program meticulously and motivated the participants by ensuring they discharged their respective duties in accordance with the relevant rules and regulations. The inaugural session ended with a word of thanks from Dr. Bikash Mukhopadhyay, Registrar, Visva-Bharati. Dr. Mukhopadhyay also assured all participants that the administration will extend all necessary cooperation as and when required. The inaugural session was anchored by Dr. Atig Ghosh, Assistant Professor in the Department of History and In-Charge of the Public Relations Officer (PRO).

### Analysis of the feedback of Training Programme

Participants' feedback was collected through a Google Form (<https://forms.gle/gtMikcbYiYhXbfbR6>). Of 72 participants, 71 responded; one participant could not respond due to technical issues with their device.

### Responses on quality of the presentation

From the diagram given below, it is seen that the quality of presentations delivered by 18 resource persons was categorized into four levels: Outstanding, Good, Fair, and Poor. Each expert received responses from 71 respondents, indicating a consistent evaluation base. Parameter-wise highlights on the experts are as follows:

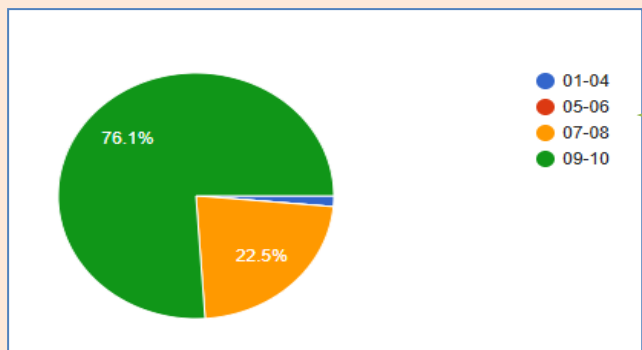
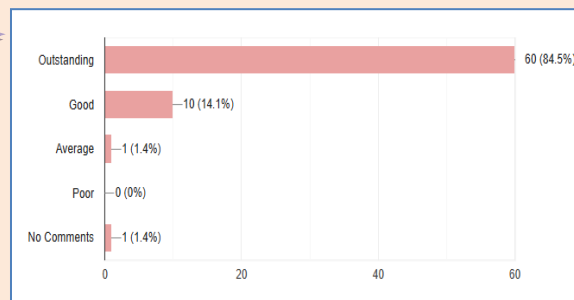


Quality of the Presentation

The "Outstanding Score" of the resource person in respect of the quality of presentation rated by the respondents is given above. The height five resource persons having outstanding presentation: Shri G.P. Sharma followed by Shri P.P. Ambashta, Shri Pankaj Goel and Shri N.K. Jha & Ms. Suparna Prasad

### Responses on the Level of Satisfaction:

It is seen from the diagram (Right side) that 84.5% of respondents (i.e., 60 out of 71) have opined that the innovativeness of sessions were "outstanding," and the comments are self-explanatory.

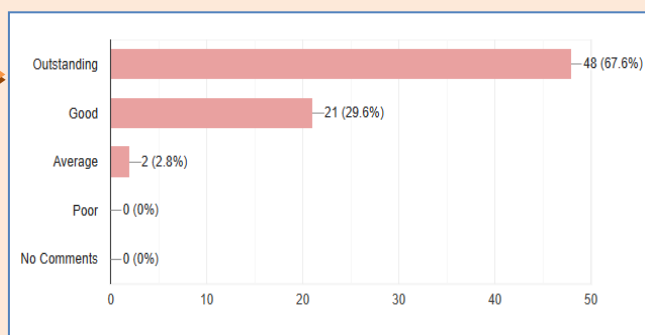


### Rating on overall arrangements:

As shown in the chart (Left side), 76.1% of respondents rated the overall arrangement of the training programme at Visva-Bharati as outstanding, followed by 22.5% who rated it as "Good," and the remaining opinions are self-explanatory.

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

It is seen from the above that 67.6% respondents (i.e., 48 out of 71) have opined that the Designing, Coverage, Contents of the Subjects and Methodology of the lecture delivery were "outstanding", and while 29.6% (i.e., 21 out of 71) have opined that it was "Good", and others' opinions are self-explanatory.



The weeklong Training Program for the Employees of Visva-Bharati ended on 07 February 2026 at 3.30 pm with the valedictory session. The valedictory session was chaired by Dr Probir Kumar Ghosh, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Visva-Bharati, with the gracious Presence of Hon'ble Dr

Tapan Kumar Adhya, Former Director, NRRI, Cuttack, Odisha, as the Chief Guest. Other dignitaries in the Dais were Shri G. P. Sharma, Former Joint Secretary, Finance, ICAR & Course Director; Dr Nimai Chand Saha, Librarian, Visva-Bharati, and Course Co-ordinator; and Dr Sanat Bhattacharya, Assistant Librarian, Visva-Bharati, and Assistant Course Co-ordinator. The session was initiated with a presentation on the Training program by the Course Director. In his presentation, Shri Sharma provided a summary of the program, including course design, selection and invitation of the resource persons, maintaining contact with them regarding their travel plans, advising the course co-ordinator on the necessary actions, and preparing for the technical, inaugural, and valedictory sessions. Participants shared their opinions and offered some positive suggestions for the future. Dr. Nimai Chand Saha presented the report on the Training program, along with a detailed analysis of the feedback submitted by participants via an online link. In his speech, Dr. T. K. Adhya, as the Chief Guest, appreciated the university's initiative and stated that the feedback from the participants and the analysis report on the training program are self-explanatory regarding the program and its outcome. He also mentioned that, to ensure good governance and motivate the employees, a periodic training program is imperative. In his valedictory address, the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor encouraged all participants, resource persons, and organizers, especially Shri Sharma, for his tireless efforts in ensuring the event was a grand success. He also assured that similar training programs will be held periodically and requested all participants to discharge their duties properly and with a positive attitude in the interest of the university. The valedictory session ended with words of thanks by Dr. Sanat Bhattacharya, Assistant Course Co-ordinator of the program, followed by the distribution of certificates among the participants and organizers by the Guests from the Dais. The valedictory session was anchored by Dr. Atig Ghosh, Assistant Professor, Department of History and In-Charge, Public Relations Officer (PRO). Finally, the event concludes with Ashram Sanæet.

### RECENT ACTIVITIES:

➤ **Research and Academic Skill Development Programme:** A three-day Research and Academic Skill Development Programme has been organized by the VBLN in blended mode as per the following schedule;

Date & Time	Topic	Speakers / Trainer
18/02/2026 (Wednesday)	The Relevance of J-Gate in the light of AI	<b>Shri Mahendranath Sarkar</b> Training Manager, Informatics Publishing Ltd.
19/02/2026 (Thursday)	Demonstration on DrillBit Similarity Checking Software	<b>Dr Nimai Chand Saha</b> Librarian, Central Library, Visva-Bharati
20/02/2026 (Friday)	Enhancing Research Excellence with ONOS: Exclusive Sage Publications	<b>Ms. Renu Rana</b> Customer Engagement Team, Sage Publications

Average every day more than fifty candidates have attended/joined in the sessions and it was helpful to the attendees as they shared during the session.

## 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 404 units (total 4615 units from 01 October 2023 to 28 February 2026) or 145 Documents/Files/ Theses/ Articles/ have been checked through DrillBit during the month and on requirement, library has extended necessary assistance.
- **Visitors:**
  - a) As part of the collaborative Skill Enhancement Program (CSEP), sixteen number of students escorted by Prof. Arun Chakraborty, HOD, Library and Information Science, Netaji Subhash Open University (NSOU), Kolkata, has visited Central Library on 03 February 2026 at 11.00 AM. The team has attentively visited the different section (Stack Room, Braille Unit, Journal Section, Reference Section, Circulation Desk, Reading Room and Minim Museum) and takes part in an interaction session with the Librarian and Library Staff. After visiting the library, the students have expressed their gratitude to visit this library, its collections, arrangements, e-resources, automation, etc. etc. and they have stored unique experience in their mind.
  - b) As part of the educational tour, a team of thirty-one candidates contains students and faculty members from the Department of English, of Mahatma Gandhi University, Mahishadal, Mahishadal Raj College, Purba Medinipur has visited Central Library, Visva-Bharati on 16 February, 2026 at 4.00 PM. The team has visited the Central Library 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 deep satisfaction to visit this library. The Registrar of the University was present with the team and has expressed warm thanks to the team of the Library.
  - c) As part of the educational tour, a team of sixty-three students, having Library Science as a Vocational Paper, and Library staff of the Patha Bhavana has visited Central Library, Visva-Bharati on 26 February, 2026 at 10.30 AM. The students have visited the Central Library and attentively take part in an interaction session with the Librarian and Library Staff. After visiting the library, the students were pleased and request to allow them visit again.
- **Exhibition and Celebration of Important Days:** Organized special exhibitions of books and allied materials including quotations and photographs to celebrate;
  - a) **International Mother Language Day** on 21 February 2026.
  - b) 224<sup>th</sup> Birth anniversary **Victor Hugo** on 27 February 2026.
- **Total number of purchased books added during the month:**
  - **Purchased books:** 222 (Accn. No. 444760 – 444981) and
  - **Gift Book:** NIL

## New Arrivals (Books and Periodicals)

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## IMPORTANT LINKS:

- **Muktabodha :** <https://muktabodha.org>: The Muktabodha Indological Research Institute (MIRI) has created a vast online digital library, which is respected and utilized by scholars around the world. Over 2,600 manuscripts have been digitally preserved which, together with many searchable e-texts, are made freely available to Indologists, scholars of religion, and practitioners worldwide through the online Digital Library.
- **AcademicEarth.org** (<https://academicearth.org/>): Academic Earth was launched on the premise that everyone deserves access to a world-class education. In 2009, It was built the first collection of free online college courses from the world's top universities.

## CONFERENCES/SEMINARS/TRAINING PROGRAMME:

- **Two-Day National Conference** on Transforming Academic Library Services in the Digital Era: Challenges, Opportunities. Organized by Central Library, Ananda Chandra College in collaboration with National Digital Library of India (Ministry of Education, Govt. of India). Dates: 9-10 April, 2026. Venue: Ananda Chandra College, Jalpaiguri, West Bengal. **More details:** <https://kanishkaaccs-wq.github.io/github.io/#contact>
- The Indian Institute of Management, Kashipur, Uttarakhand, in association with the Asian Library Association, New Delhi, is organizing the 9th International Conference of Asian Libraries (**ICAL-2026**) on the theme “Evolving Information Landscape: Making Libraries Future-Ready,” to be held from 16 to 18 April 2026 at IIM Kashipur, Uttarakhand, India. **More details:** <https://www.iimkashipur.ac.in>



Moment of Inaugural ceremony of Training Program of VB Employees



Visit: Students of Patha Bhavana, Visva-Bharati



Visit: Students from Mahatma Gandhi University



Visit: Students from Netaji Subhash Open University