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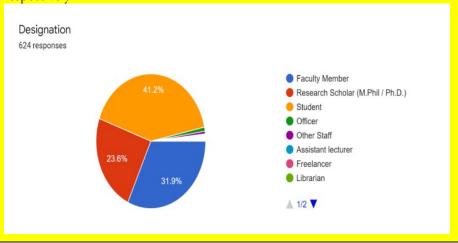
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# Report: Feedback on Resources, Services & Facilities of VBLN

The establishment and maintenance of a resource-rich library with need-based facilities and services are the essential prerequisites for academic activities of the university. The Visva-Bharati Library Network (VBLN) is also trying to establish and maintain a needful collection of resources and provide ICT-based facilities and services to its clientele.

Feedback has been collected to examine the users' views on resources, facilities, and services of VBLN to identify the week areas of the library and improve the library services further. Hence, Visva-Bharati Library has invited (on 21 June 2021) the attention of all the Faculty Members, Officers, Staff, Scholars, and Students of VBLN to submit their valuable feedback through the Google Form, link: https://forms.gle/g77os6z4XU8Hkyyy6

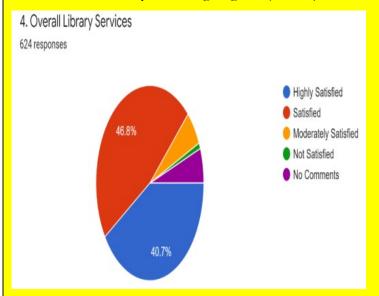
A total of 624 respondents have submitted their opinions from 21 June to 20 August 2021 through the above-mentioned link, of which more than 82 percent of respondents have the library membership, whereas the remaining did not have yet, and the majority are male (61.4%) out of total respondents. The distribution of received responses is in the ratio of 41.2%, 31.9%, and 23.6% from the categories of student, faculty members, and research scholars respectively.

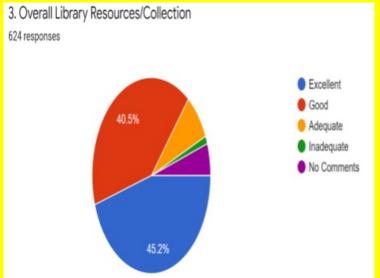


# Announcement

Proposed Special Sessions during September 2021 through online on (a) Inductive Search with JGATE@E-Shodhsindhu Consortia Database b) CMIE's Consumer Pyramids DX etc. etc. Date and Time will be announced very soon through University Website, E-mail and WhatsApp.

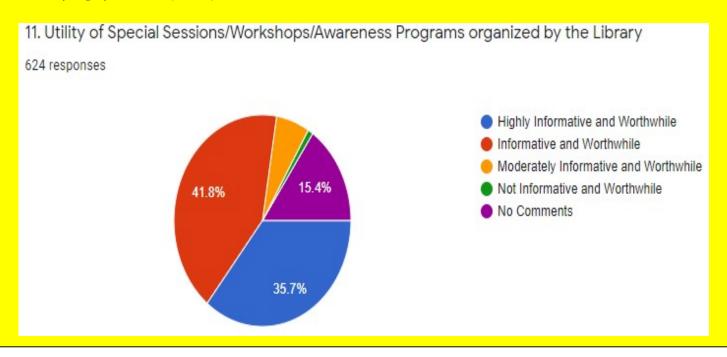
The response of different participants regarding the overall library services show that majority of 46.8 percent of users are satisfied with the VBLN library services while 40.7 percent are very much satisfied. Significantly, 50.2 percent of respondents have opined that ICT-based modern library services of VBLN are satisfactory, whereas 28.6% found highly satisfied. Very few respondents thought that the services are not satisfactory and should be improved further. From the pie charts, it is seen that more than 45 percent of the respondents have rated the overall library resources as excellent, followed by the rating as good (40.5%).





Again, it is also seen that more than 52 percent of respondents are satisfied with the overall library facilities of the VBLN, whereas 33.3 percent are highly satisfied with the overall Visva-Bharati library facilities.

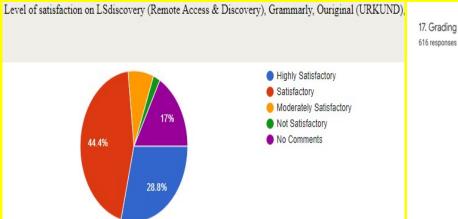
It is observed from the study that 48.1 percent of respondents have considered the library website of VBLN as user-friendly. And it is one of the updated useful academic information sources to them followed by 30.3 percent of respondents who have considered the same website as highly user friendly and beneficial. Further, a maximum number of VBLN users with 48.7 percent has opined the monthly e-Newsletter of VBLN as informative and worthwhile, followed by highly informative (23.4%). In order to ascertain users' perception of the need for special sessions/workshops/awareness programs organized by the VBLN, the users have been asked their views on it, and the study indicates that these special sessions have a positive impact on them. The highest number of respondents with 41.8 percent have opined that these special sessions are informative and worthwhile, followed by highly informative (35.7%). It is also seen that the majority (43.3%) of the users of VBLN are satisfied with these special sessions, followed by highly satisfied (34.9%).

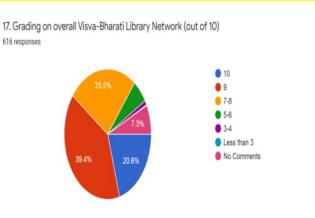




Further, the report also reveals that a maximum number of the users of VBLN are satisfied with the ICT infrastructure of the Visva-Bharati library. And other important library services like Remote Access, Discovery Services, Grammarly, Ouriginal i.e. Urkund Services, etc., have been rated as satisfied by most of the respondents, followed by highly satisfied. The level of satisfaction on the Bhavana/ Sectional libraries resources and services is also satisfactory, followed by high satisfaction.

The report has also focused on another important view regarding the grading of the overall Visva-Bharati Library. The preferences have been given to the respondents on grading from minimum (less than 3 points) to maximum (10 points). It is seen that the maximum respondents with 39.4 percent have rated the overall Visva-Bharati Library with the grading point 9 followed by the grading point 7-8 (25.5%), and 20.6 percent have graded with the maximum points 10. On the other hand, very few respondents have rated the grading option less than 3 points.





Suggestions given by respondents

The respondents have given some suggestions for effective use of library resources and services in the Visva-Bharati Library:

- Number of information resources like textbooks, reference resources, journals, etc. with current editions should be increased.
- Some respondents have indicated that VBLN needs to enhance its infrastructure, space and facilities.
- Xerox facility in the departmental library must be introduced
- Departmental/ Seminar library needs at least one staff.
- Computer with voice assistance for specially-abled faculties
- Dance-related books are important in both English and Region-based language and also need some books of foreign publications.
- LS discovery should provide online full-text access to the most important textbooks.

This feedback report provides an opportunity to understand the users' perceptions about the Visva-Bharati Library Resources, Services, and Facilities. Thus, this study is useful to the library authority to mapping the future plan to develop user's friendly library in reality.

# **RECENT ACTIVITIES**

- ➤ Tribute to Dr S. R. Ranganathan on 12 August, 2021: On the occasion of 129th Birth Anniversary of Dr. S. R. Ranganathan, Central Library, Visva-Bharati celebrated in a calm and pleasant manner with maintaining social distancing. All staff of Visva-Bharati Library Network has paid homage and tribute to illustrious Guru Dr. S.R Ranganathan on this auspicious occasion followed by a small speech by University Librarian (Acting) in gracious presence of Dr. Prabir Kumar Choudhuri, Vice-Principal, PSV.
- > Dr. Subhas Sarkar, Hon'ble Minister of State for Education, Govt. of India visits Central Library, Visva-Bharati on 18
  August 2021: It was a great pleasure to have Dr. Subhas Sarkar, Hon'ble Minister of State for Education, Govt. of India in our Central Library where Prof. Bidyut Chakrabarty, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, Visva-Bharati, and Dr. Nimai Chand Saha, University Librarian (Acting) had the honor of accompanying him on his visit to our beautiful library. To mark his presence an online lecture on "National Education policy-2020" was organized where he briefed key highlights of "National Education policy-2020". On this occasion, the re-shaped Mini Museum was also inaugurated with the golden hands of the Hon'ble Minister. On this august occasion, Hon'ble Minister also felicitated to Local Artisan, crafts worker and Prof Suniti Kumar Pathak, Retired Professor, Visva-Bharati, and an Eminent Indologist. Hon'ble Minister expressed his satisfaction with the library resource and services.
- ➤ Observation of Raksha Bandhan on 23rd August, 2021, Rakhasa Bandhan: Rakhaa Bandhan is a holy and popular festival celebrated in India and other parts of the world as a symbol of love and unity. Gurudev Tagore used the perception of Rakhsha Bandhan to create hope and spread harmony in the minds of people in the society. In tune with the significance of the great festival Central Library, Visva-Bharati observed the day on to spread love, unity and integrity among all. The program was organized in a befitting manner.
- ➤ Three-Day Special Session: Visva-Bharati Library Network has successfully organized three special sessions in virtual mode during 23-25 August 2021 to aware/train the VB Library users to use the Resources & Facilities of Visva-Bharati Library Network (VBLN) to the extent possible. Topic covered during the session are, OUP: Customer Training and Implementation for VB by OUP representative on 23.08.2021; Product Awareness for Bloomsbury e books by Bloomsbury representative on 24.08.2021; and LSDiscovery by Sri Ramprasad Mazumdar on 25.08.2021. Average 25 participants have attended in each of the session.
- ➤ **Documents / Article Delivery Services:** During the month 32 no. of soft copies of the articles have been collected and delivered through mail as requested by the academics/scholars.
- ➤ Similarity Checking Through URKUND Software: On request from the academics 93 articles/ Files have been checked through URKUND software and the report has been forwarded through the mail.
- ▶ Uploading files in the VB Institutional Repository: The majority of library professionals have involved themselves to upload files in the VB Institutional Repository under VB Digital Library. Through the special drive around 5100 files (containing publications of VB fraternity, Project Reports, question papers, syllabus, Annual Reports of VB and VBLN, e-Newsletter of VBLN, etc.) have been uploaded during the month. Resources may be browsed through the link: <a href="https://vbudspace.lsdiscovery.in/xmlui/">https://vbudspace.lsdiscovery.in/xmlui/</a> or one may go through the university website, then the library and then the digital library.

#### **IMPORTANT LINKS:**

- Open Access Theses & Dissertations (<a href="https://oatd.org/">https://oatd.org/</a>): OATD.org aims to be the best possible resource for finding open access graduate theses and dissertations published around the world. Metadata (information about the theses) comes from over 1100 colleges, universities, and research institutions. OATD currently indexes 5,899,957 theses and dissertations.
- Directory of Open Access Repositories (<a href="https://v2.sherpa.ac.uk/opendoar/">https://v2.sherpa.ac.uk/opendoar/</a>): OpenDOAR is the quality-assured, global Directory of Open Access Repositories. We host repositories that provide free, open access to academic outputs and resources. Each repository record within OpenDOAR has been carefully reviewed and processed by a member of our editorial team which enables us to offer a trusted service for the community. The service launched in 2005 as the product of a collaborative project between the University of Nottingham and Lund University, funded by OSI, Jisc, SPARC Europe and CURL.

New Arrivals (Books and Periodicals)

Books(click)
Journals (click)



Observation of Librarians Day-2021



Dr Subhas Sarkar, Hon'ble Minister of State for Education, GOI, is at the Central Library



Observation of Raksha Bandhan at Central Library



Glimpses of Three-day Special Session