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About Central Library

- The Central Library was inaugurated in the present building at Mohanpur main campus in 1980.
- In the center of the campus it is a unique piece of architectural design which houses the largest Agricultural Library of eastern India.
- ➤ It has four stories encompassing total 5557 square metre floor space (in which planned area was 7342).

The Ground Floor consists of stack yards for books & bound journals, section for old unbound journals, reports, a well-equipped bindery and a modern conference room.

In the First Floor there are spacious lending counter, huge reading room, newspaper enclosure, career corner, special collections, research cubicles, office, acquisition section & processing section, Photocopy/Xerox, computer lab, officers' rooms and a meeting room. The Second Floor houses current journals, thesis and dissertation and internet unit. The Mezzanine Floor is used for library exhibition

- The University Librarian is responsible for the overall management of the library. He is assisted by the Deputy Librarian, Assistant Librarians and other professional & supporting staffs.
- The Library Advisory Committee advices for development of the Library as a whole.







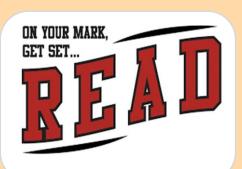


Central Library in Numbers









- 24000+ Physically Visited Users Yearly
- > 3528+ sq m wi-fi Zone
- > 21349+ Users Viewed in CeRA
- > 3039+ e-journal titles browsed in CeRA
- > **75000+** Hardcopy Books
- > 995+ Print Journal Titles
- > 25000+ Bound Volume Journals.
- 2600+ Electronic Journals
- **> 4000+** Reports
- ➤ 6000+ Loose Issues of Periodicals
- > 300+ Seating Capacity
- 55+ Computers for access and control
- > 1500+ Library Patrons
- > 8000+ Pamphlets

Library Membership

The membership of the Central Library is open to the teachers, students, research scholars, officers, non-teaching employees, retired employees, ex-students of the viswavidyalaya.

The reading, photocopying and bibliographic database searching facilities are provided to the outside teachers, scholars and students.



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SI.No.	Category of Users	Entitled to borrow books		
01	Teachers	15 books		
02	Officers	10 books		
03	Research Scholars	4 books		
04	UG Students			
	Agriculture	3 books for 15 days		
	Horticulture	3 books for 15 days		
	B. Tech.	3 books for 15 days		
05	PG Students	3 books for 15 days		
06	Staff	2 books for 15 days		





Library Collections

The Central Library, BCKV is very much rich in variety of learning resources like..

> Books: 76,057

> Bound Journals: Titles 1076 Volumes: 25,023

> Current Indian Journals subscribed: 40

> Popular Magazine: 30

Current Foreign Journals through CeRA: 3000+

Cartographic materials: 100 +

> Research Bulletin: 9,893

> Pamphlets: 8252

➤ Indian Standards: **350** + ISO Standards: **93**

> Ph.D. Thesis & M. Sc. Dissertations: 4315

> Reports: 4000+

Important Electronic Information Sources:

✓ AGRICOLA : 1984 – 1996 \ 09

✓ AGRIS: 1975 – 2001 \ 08

✓ CAB CD: 1990 - 2015

✓ Crop CD: 1973 – 2003 \ 07

✓ Current Contents: 1999 - 2000

✓ Indian Science Abstracts: 1990 – 1999

As on Dec 2016



Library Services

The regular service includes:

- > Reference and Referral
- Computerized Circulation
- Current Awareness
- Book Bank
- Wi Fi Facilities
- Current and Bound Journals (Print)
- > Thesis and Dissertation
- > Photocopy
- Audio-visual
- > Internet surfing
- Inter-Library Loan
- Database Search
- Online Electronic books & journals etc.





Two most important services are Bibliographic Database Service in CD-ROM and on-line CeRA digital resources of more than 2000+ full text e-journals.

Users' Orientation

- The newcomer U.G/PG/RS students usually provided with user-orientation at the time of their admission.
- User orientation programmes are organized to get the users acquainted with the library collection and technology used to retrieve information and the various services available.
- Users are also given hands-on training in searching bibliographic database.
- > Users intending to work in e-environment are also rendered appropriate assistance.





Library Extension Activities

The Central Library does not remain confined to the traditional library services only but takes the privilege of providing library extension services in various ways for the benefit of the user community. Some of the defining activities of the library are summarized here:

- Hosted IASLIC "All India Workshop on Information Services in Agriculture"
- Hosted AALDI "All India Seminar on Agricultural Libraries & Information Services"
- Organized "Exhibition of Information Sources & Service Products" jointly with IASLIC and others at Indian Museum, Kolkata.
- Observed Library Day.
- Observed Birth (and Death) Anniversary of Dr. Bidhan Chandra Roy.
- ♣ Arranged numerous Book Exhibitions-cum-Sales with the assistances of ICAR and other Book Sellers/Publishers.
- "ICAR Book Exhibition cum Sale" took place in different times in the central library.



Circulation Section

The main public service point is the circulation desk or borrowing desk, which is located near the main entrance of the library. It provides lending services and facilities for return of loaned items.

A circulation or lending section is one of the key sections of the central library, BCKV. The section is fully computerized and the charging and discharging of books are automated with bar-code scanner since 2005.

Circulation Counter remains open from 11am to 5 pm on each working day.

In 2015-16 more than 9271 books were circulated to the users and more than 1540+ users taken new library membership from this section.

Services Offered:

- Book issue & return
- Book Bank service
- New Membership
- Library Clearance

Section In-charge:

Mr. Goutam Chattopadhyay.









Reference and Reading Section

The reference desk or information desk of a library is a public service counter where professional librarians provide library users with direction to library materials, advice on library collections and services, and expertise on multiple kinds of information from multiple sources.

In BCKV Central Library, Reference & Reading Room section is located just on the left side of the circulation counter. It is the place of both conventional reference documents as well as one copy of all the important textbook titles.

There is a large reading hall where all types of reference books are preserved for consultation. Library users are referred to information sources including individuals, documents and institutions.

Referral Services are also catered as and when required.

Services Offered:

- Users guidance
- Overnight Issue
- Photocopy
- Reading
- > Referral
- Readers advisory

Section In-charge:

Mr. Goutam Chattopadhyay.

Resources Available:

- > Text Books
- Competitive Exam Books
- General Reference Books
- Annual Reviews
- Advances
- Methods
- Subject Reference Books
- > Maps
- Cartographies
- Standards
- > Atlas







Acquisition & Processing Section

Library acquisition is the section of a library responsible for the selection and purchase of reading materials or resources. The section may select vendors, negotiate pricing, arrange for standing orders, and select individual titles or resources.

Technical Processing Section plays a key role to function the library. It makes a bridge between the acquisitions of documents to the Circulation as well as consultation.

Classification is mainly done following DDC 19th ed. DDC 22nd ed. is also used in some cases. Library catalogue is done with the aid of ALA Code & AACR Code.

Job description:

- Book Classification DDC 19th & 22nd ed.
- Book Cataloging Rules AACR II R
- Subject Heading:
 AGROVOC | LOCSH
- Barcode Preparation
- Entry in Library Mangt. Software
- Ordering, Bill and Challan processing
- Vender Management

In-charge:

Mr. Debabrata Bhattacharva











Book Binding Section

Library binding refers to the hardcover binding of books intended for the rigors of library use.

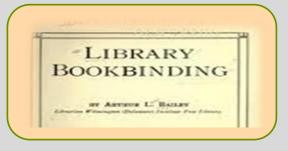
The Central Library BCKV has its own well equipped bindery for repair of damaged reading materials. Only one technical person has to undertake the herculean workload of binding, lamination and even conservational works too.

In the year of 2015-16 more than 200+ binding jobs had been done.

Job description:

- > All types of Binding
- Spiral Binding
- Preservation
- Conservation
- Lamination etc.

Binder: Mr Joydeb Sarkar













Bound Journal Section

The library's journals and magazines ("periodicals") are separated into current issues and bound volumes and shelved in different places on the 1st floor and ground floor. 25000+ bound volumes with 996 titles are shelved alphabetically in the ground floor as to find the title users are looking for.

All the bound volume journals and its names are displayed in the front of the rack alphabetically.

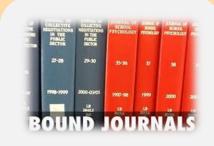
Bound Volume does not circulate. Photocopy is allowed for teachers and scholars.

Researchers irrespective of their affiliations may walk-in to access, browse, and photocopy any article from such a valuable knowledge resource for their scholarly work.

The researchers / scholars, who walk-in to the different Institutions libraries for their scholarly work are also permitted to use these resources placed in the library free of charge/fee.

In the year of 2015-16 more than 100+ scholars had been visited this section for their scholarly need.

Section In-charge: Mr Dilip Das, Gobindo Debnath











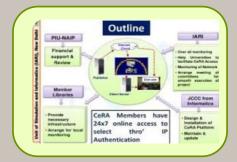
CAB CD Access Lab

- ♣ The Central Library is a member of Consortium for e-Resources in Agriculture (CeRA), a national consortium of universities and research centres, in India in Agriculture and related sciences.
- ♣ This digital resource contains more than 2000+ full text ejournals published by Springer, Annual Reviews, CSIRO and open J-Gate journals.
- Abstracts on CD are available on 15 nodes in CD Lab. Browsing is free; Download only on CD can be made against payment of Rs.10/each.

Section In-charge: Pradip Ray









Wi Fi & Internet Surfing Section

The Reading, reference and stack area of the central library are totally Wi-Fi Zone. Three separate high access points are installed for that purpose.

There is a separate internet browsing section in first floor, where 25 terminals are connected with BSNL Internet connectivity.

Internet surfing for academic purpose is free of cost to the Faculty members, U.G. & P.G. students and Research Scholars.

The saved data can be copied on CD against a payment of Rs.10/-.

The students and teachers can get a print upto 10 pages free of cost.

Section In-charge: Mr Pradip Ray,













Thesis and Dissertation Section

A thesis or dissertation is a document submitted in support of candidature for an academic degree or professional qualification presenting the author's research and findings.

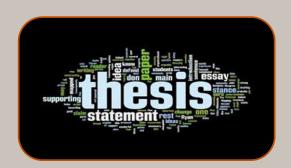
In BCKV Central Library, 1400+ Thesis and 2500+ dissertations are available in hardcopy format. 200+ theses are also available in electronic format.

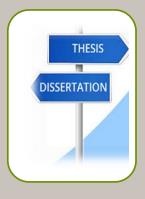
Only scholars and teachers can able to photocopy also.

Subject wise Thesis details are available in the searching arena of SOUL OPAC.

Section In-charge: Mr Pradip Ray











Current Periodical Section

The Periodicals Section is the place where needed information could be found in journals, magazines, newsletters, and other serial literature. The most current resources in the Library are found in the Periodicals (Serials) section. These include:

- Newsletters
- Magazines
- > Journals

The Central Library subscribes around 30 journals. Good numbers of journals are received on gratis. Current journals are displayed in the second floor of the library.

Section In-charge: Mr Pradip Ray









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Report Section

A report and scientific report is a document that describes the process, progress, and or results of technical or scientific research or the state of a technical or scientific research problem. It might also include recommendations and conclusion of the research.

Technical reports are designed to quickly alert researchers to recent findings in scientific and technical research.

The Report section of the central library BCKV holds over four thousand current and annual / technical reports like AICRP, AICNP, Adhoc projects, Annual Reports, etc. in the ground floor.

Section In-charge: Mr Dilip Das and Gobindo Debnath.









Book Stack Unit

A stack or book stack (often referred to as a library building's stacks) is a book storage area, more specifically, this term refers to multilevel system of iron or steel shelving that meet increasing demands for storage space.

An "open-stack" library allows its patrons to enter the stacks to browse for themselves; "closed stacks" means library staffs retrieve books for patrons on request.

In BCKV Central Library more than 30 long slotted angle stacks are carrying more than 76000+ Agriculture and allied discipline books in the ground floor.

Section In-charge: Mr Dilip Das and Smt. Mina Rai.









Loose Journal Section

This section is available in the ground floor and all the current loose issues of the periodicals are kept before sending to the binding section or wait till all the issues of a particular journal may available in the section. The section is much reached and a senior professional is working for the fulfillment of the demand of the research scholar. Computer with searching system is available for the users.

Section Staff: Iva Brombha



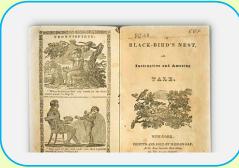


Old & Rare Books Sections

Collections of rare books are non-circulating materials, strong in old smell and history, classical authors, and other allied past.

In BCKV Central Library, more than 800+ agriculture and general books are identified which are beyond the time limit of copyright act of India.

Section In-charge: Amitabha De







RARE BOOKS



Career Corner

This section is a unique blend of magazines and newspaper that help students to find the latest employment trends, information on key industries and career paths in general as well as agriculture, tips from experts and recently hired grads, co-op and internship information, advice on graduate studies and much more.

Incharge: D Bhattacharya



Newspaper Enclave

Central Library offering 15 newspapers in English Hindi and Bengali as well as carrier related weekly newspaper for the user of the library.





RATHINDRANATH SABHAGRIGHA (CONFERENCE ROOM)



The Library Auditorium (ground floor) is used for movie showings, lectures, or symposia. The Library auditorium is fully accessible and has 60 seats. It is PA system equipped, with LCD projector, Ethernet, phone, and standard control system.



Book Exhibition Area

An area of exhibition is traditionally the space in which objects meet its audience. The Central Library BCKV organizes book exhibition in its Mezzanine Floor for the patrons of the library. This exhibition focuses on the presentation of reference books to texts and documentation in the field of agriculture education.







Library Office

This section maintains the official data of the library, its employees and liaison with the office of comptroller to works department for day to day activities. This section is also responsible to maintain the fund management documents like bill / Invoice to stock register to all accounting and auditing documents which is/are seek by the University time to time.

Section staff: Rumki Mandal and Biswanath Saha





Reprography Section

The BCKV Central Library provides photocopying and printing services in most, but not all reading areas.

Patrons and researchers may pay for prints. Receipts are provided by the concerned section.

The service is subject to copyright and rights restrictions of Indian copy right act 1957, 2012.

Two separate units are running out of one is dedicated for Research Scholars and Teachers.

The Library's photocopying charges are as follows:

Rs 0.50 paise per page per impression.

Re 1.00 single page double side two impressions.

Section In-charge: Mr Kanailal Chowdhury and Mr Arun Das









Digital Library Initiatives

- Initiate changeover to Digital Library Management Software of KOHA as per recommendation by ICAR.
- Scanning of old & rare books as per international standard method and upload/tag with University websites.
- Advance Catalogue searching in all campuses of BCKV including campus of Mohanpur, Bankura and Burdwan with the inclusion of scanned copy of Index and content pages of a book.
- Mobile App based Library App for real time patron and resources updates.
- > Searching history based Metadata executions.
- 'New Arrivals' with digital contents through University website.
- Project submitted to the Government of West Bengal for Digitization of bibliographical data which to be real time database based catalog searching from every corner of the University campuses through WEB.
- Digitization of all convocation details of BCKV.
 - Creation of Institutional Digital Repository (IDR)













User Statistics

		<u>2014-15</u>	<u>2015-16</u>
• Library Visitor (Student)	:	18962	20922
• Library Visitors (Teacher& Others)	:	893*	1025*
Reading Section	:	2914	2948
Reference Section	:	796	973
Overnight issue: (Reference)	:	84	113
• Library Member: UG +PG +PhD/RS/Others	:	1390	1553
Book Circulations (Issue and Return)	:	10764	9271
• Users of Journal Section	:	255	399
•CeRA viewed in Web Journals	:	22270	21349
Users of Internet Searching	:	4424	4496
• Users of Thesis	:	617	536
Book Accessioned and Processed	:	373	1237
• Total Binding	:	189	250
• Total Pages Photocopied	:	54807	60717
• CAB CD Searching	:	720	542

* Those who signed only





Trial Access Service

E-Resources Trial

The Library regularly arranges trials to new `resources.

It is linked with the University website. Faculty members also eligible for asked the trail service.

Publishers are usually willing to provide trial access to allow us to use and evaluate a resource before making a decision about purchase.



Current Trials

The services are available for a trial period.

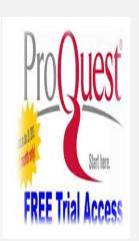
They are listed by trial closing date. Feedback is taken because it is important and helps to inform decisions about future subscriptions.

Feedback info to:

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Future Plan

- Gate Detection System.
- Mobile App based Services.
- Self-Check-in Checkout Station.
- > RFID based Security System.
- > Smart Card based Circulation Solution.
- Institutional Digital Repository.
- Faculty Publication Display Arena.
- > Preservation and conservation section.
- Digital Library Initiatives.
- Digitization of Thesis & Dissertation
- Digital Archives for Rare Books.
- Serious Reading Sections'
- Language Learning Corner.
- Integrated Library Network with SAU/ICAR libraries
- EDUROAM enabled Library premises











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