Name of the Tool

Indira Gandhi National Open University OPAC

Home Page



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Indira Gandhi National Open University

URL http://libraryopac.ignou.ac.in:8080/opac/html/SearchForm

Subject Indira Gandhi National Open University Library--Catalogs

Accessibility Partially free

Language English

Publisher Indira Gandhi National Open University

Scope and Coverage

The IGNOU library is the most resourceful information centre in the country in the field of Distance Education. The library has the largest collection of books, journals and other related materials in the field of Distance Education, throughout the country. It was established in 1986 in tune with the objectives of IGNOU. This open university has built huge number of resources. It includes 42 lakh full text articles, 52 thousand e-books. In accordance with the objectives of the University, the library aims to develop a comprehensive collection of documents, useful for the readers.

Kind of Information

The primary mission of the library is to support the educational and research programmes of the University by providing physical and intellectual access to information. The library provides following type of search facilities for its users:

- Simple search:
- Advanced search;
- Additional search;
- Browsing of collection;
- Searching by ISBN;
- Searching by accession number;
- Full text search

In simple search process, users are able to search for documents by mentioning bibliographic fields like author, title, subject, ISBN, series, place of publication, publisher.

The user can make a simple search using this option also. The fields to be entered are Database, Field, Enter word(s) or phrase, Connector, Specify Year(s) of Publication etc. The following screen shots show it:



The search result can be sorted by the options like Title, Author, Call No., year of publication (ascending or descending) etc.



The above search process produces a list of relevant documents to the search query. In this list users can access limited kind of bibliographic information namely Title of the work, name of the author, call number. All the titles in that list are hyperlinked with its bibliographic information which is presented at the right side of the web page. In this format bibliographic information mainly the title, author's name, edition, publication place, year and publisher, physical description, call number, subject are provided. The

following screen shot shows it in details:

Title Organizing information:principles and practice Stmt Res Christopher Turner Main Ent Turner, Christopher Edition 1st ed. Publ Plc London Publ. Clive bingley Publ Dt 1987 Pages 158p ISBN 0-85157-379-7 Call No. 020 T8510 Subject Information services, Library administration Accn No. 013052 Rec No.: 8631

Special Features

- ➤ Literature Search Service from collection of books, articles and from CD-ROMS etc. are provided;
- Current Awareness services for new arrival materials are also provided.
- The OPAC page contains external links to OCLC database.
- ➤ Users are able to give feedback for this library through email.

Remarks

As a distance education university library, IGNOU Library has a objective to develop appropriate collections in various disciplines for satisfying the needs of the diverse clientele of the libraries of the University, Regional and Study Centres, to develop a special collection of distance education books and journals at the libraries etc.

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