

## Cyber Library Study Centre

A well-equipped Cyber Library Study Centre with 372 computers and high-speed internet connectivity is available to provide access to online learning resources.

**Timings: 08:00 AM to 05:00 (21 hours) on Working Days**

**08:00 AM to 11:00 PM (15 hours) on Sundays/Holidays**



## BHU eLibrary Portal & INFED

Available e-resources can be accessed from the campus network (IP-based access) as well as off-campus (through BHU eLibrary and INFED).

BHU eLibrary portal organizes the e-resources available to the University for Ease of searching and off-campus access. Apart from this, INFED can also be used to provide off-campus access to subscribed e-resources.

Login credentials for BHU eLibrary ([bhuelibrary.in](http://bhuelibrary.in)) and INFED ([idp.bhu.edu.in](http://idp.bhu.edu.in)) can be obtained by sending a request mail to [erm@bhu.ac.in](mailto:erm@bhu.ac.in) with identity document.



**BHU eLibrary Portal**

## Download the BHU eLibrary app.

Access the entire library collection on the go, request items, save and read. Users can download the BHU eLibrary App from the Google Play Store and App Store.



## Library Access Rules

- Entry by a valid Passbook /Identity Card only.
- Personal printed reading materials (including photocopies) are not allowed inside the Library except the Cyber Library Study Centre.
- Personal belongings (except notebooks) will be kept at the property counter against the token.
- Users should not mark, underline, dog-ear mark, write, tear pages or damage the library documents.
- Please remember to check out issued books from the library's main entrance before 5:00 PM on the same day.
- Bringing a personal keyboard or mouse is not allowed. Don't install or uninstall any software in the Cyber Library.
- Photography is strictly prohibited.
- Be polite to library staff. In case of misbehaviour, action will be taken as per university rules.



## Library Working Days & Hours

The Central Library remains open for 359 days in a year except. **26 January, 15 August, Basant Panchami, Holi, Dussehra and Deepawali.**

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## Sayaji Rao Gaekwad Library (Central Library)



## Information Brochure



Scan the QR code to visit  
Library Website

For assistance, please contact:

**Central Library**

Banaras Hindu University

Varanasi 221005

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**Phone: 0542-2367133 & 2369433**

# ABOUT BHU LIBRARY SYSTEM

The Banaras Hindu University Library is one of the largest university library systems in India. Germinated from a small but precious collection donated by Prof. P. K. Telang in the memory of his father, Justice K. T. Telang, in 1917 and housed in the Telang Hall of Central Hindu College, Kamachha. It was nurtured in its infancy by the renowned historian, Sir Jadunath Sarkar, as the first University Librarian. With the university taking shape at its present premises, the library was also shifted in 1921 to the Central Hall of The Arts College (now Faculty of Arts) and then in 1941 to its present majestic building built with the magnificent donation from Maharaja Sayaji Rao Gaekwad – III of Vadodara, on the pattern of British Museum, London on the suggestion of Bharat Ratna Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya, the Founder of University. The library has been nurtured by eminent professionals like Dr. S. R. Ranganathan, Prof P. N. Kaula, Sri H. D. Sharma and others.

The Central Library, known as Sayajirao Gaekwad Library at the apex, has three institute libraries, namely the Institute of Agricultural Sciences, the Institute of Medical Sciences and the Institute of Management Studies. It also has 7 Faculty Libraries, 13 Departmental Libraries, Mahila Maha Vidyalaya Library, Bharat Kala Bhawan Library, 3 School Libraries and Rajiv Gandhi South Campus Library.

The library system provides basic and advanced facilities with compatible timings to meet the users' needs appropriately. Its total collection exceeds 16 lakh. The library has special collections of staff publications, local history, the University & its Founder, rare books, the United Nations and the Government of India. The library is using SOUL 3.0 for library operations and Colon Classification for the arrangement of documents. RFID has been incorporated for the smooth functioning of the library.

## Central Library Building Plan

The central library consists of the Main Building and two Annex Buildings. There is a common entrance to the Library, except the Cyber Library Study Centre, which has a separate entrance. The library has a carpet area of 17345 square metres.

## Ground Floor (Main Building)

- Reference Desk & Reading Hall
- Reprography Section
- Books Stack
- Manuscripts and Rare Documents Section
- Circulation Section
- Librarian's Office

## 1<sup>st</sup> Floor (Main Building)

- U.N. and Govt. Section
- Census Data Workstation
- Computer Section
- Seminar Hall

## Annex Building (I)

- Thesis Section
- Periodicals Stack
- Cyber Library Study Centre
- Reading Room for Research Scholars
- Property Counter
- Section for Visually Impaired

## Annex Building (II)

- **Ground Floor**- Books Stack
- **1<sup>st</sup> Floor**-Textbook, Newspapers and Magazine Section
- **2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor**- Reading Hall
- **4<sup>th</sup> Floor**- Technical Section
- **5<sup>th</sup> Floor**- Acquisition and Periodical Section

## Library Collections (As on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025)

- Books (Printed): **16 lakh +**
- E-Books: **76 thousand+**
- Journals (Printed): **126**
- E-Journals: **13000+**
- Bound Volumes: **1,36,895**
- Manuscripts: **12556**
- Theses: **18000+**
- E-Databases: **43**
- **ONOS Journals**



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## Manuscripts

The total collection of manuscripts in the university is 12556, of which 7227 manuscripts are in the Central library, including **Devnagari (3340), Sharda (2160), Persian (937) and Bangla (545)** scripts. Besides the Central Library, manuscripts are available in Bharat Kala Bhawan, Faculty of SVDV and Faculty of Ayurveda and Ranveer Sanskrit School.

## Section for Visually Impaired

The Library serves visually impaired students, with **600+ audio-recorded textbooks** via membership of Sugamya Pustakalya. The library converts documents into audio format using the KIBO scanner and provides free Braille printout.

## Consultation Services (For Outside Scholars)

₹100 per day/ ₹2000 per month

## Library Services/Facilities

- Circulation of reading materials
- Reference & Information services
- New arrival of books
- Reprography service
- Plagiarism checking
- Census Data Centre
- Consultation services for outside research scholars
- Research Information Service
- E- Library Portal (Remote access services)
- Services for the visually impaired
- Institution Repository
- Document Delivery Service

## Library Membership

The bonafide students, faculty members, staff and retired faculty members of the university are eligible for membership. The number of volumes to be issued to different categories are as follows:

Category	Volumes
Teaching Staff	15
Research Scholars	6
Non-teaching (group 'A')	10
Non-Teaching (group 'B')	6
Non-Teaching (group 'C')	4
Post-Graduate students	4
Undergraduate/certificate/diploma students	2

Retired faculty member/Group A can avail library facility after paying **₹2000/-** as caution money.

**Books are issued for a period of 60 days to each category of users. Overdue Fine ₹1 per day for each item issued.**

## How to Access Print Books

The users have to search for books and any other document in the Online Public Access Catalogue (OPAC) available on the OPAC terminals.

For Web OPAC search use the link: <https://dl.bhu.ac.in/webopac/>



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WEBOPAC