



**VISVA-BHARATI**  
**Central Library**  
(Visva-Bharati Library Network)

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**Notice**

**Subject:** Special Initiative to showcase Open Access Resources to facilitate Research & Academic Activities.

As you know, in light of the rapidly evolving Covid-19 situation, we are following the directives of Government of India and also subsequent notifications by the university authority to keep library premises closed until further notice.

VB Library is keen to extend uninterrupted access of e-resources to facilitate research & academic activities. As part of the initiative, let us showcase the Open Access Resources with the respective links which are full free to download full text by any one from anywhere at any time in different format and in different language in all most all subjects.

Therefore, VB fraternity (Academics, Scholars, Students, Officers, Library Professions, Staff) are requested to browse the e-resources through the links given below;

| Sl. No. | Name of the Project and Institute   | Links / URLs   |
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| 1.      | Books by Tagore   | <a href="https://tagoreweb.in">https://tagoreweb.in</a>  |
| 2.      | Complete Works of Gandhi  | <a href="https://www.gandhiashramsevagram.org/gandhi-literature">https://www.gandhiashramsevagram.org/gandhi-literature</a>  |
| 3.      | For Indian Rare Books   | <a href="https://rarebooksocietyofindia.org/home.php">https://rarebooksocietyofindia.org/home.php</a>  |
| 4.      | Books on Common Interest in Bengali and English                                   | <a href="https://m.facebook.com/permalink.php?story_fbid=1777857742270801&amp;id=202350839821507">https://m.facebook.com/permalink.php?story_fbid=1777857742270801&amp;id=202350839821507</a><br><a href="https://drive.google.com/open?id=1DARIBVev7ZPO08uikYnLucs8Q6mx116J">https://drive.google.com/open?id=1DARIBVev7ZPO08uikYnLucs8Q6mx116J</a>   |
| 5.      | BDeBooks (For more than 10000 Bengali Books)                                      | <a href="https://bdebooks.com/books/">https://bdebooks.com/books/</a>  |
| 6.      | Bharat Study Online for Online teaching and learning (around 22000 course module) | <a href="https://bharatstudy.online">https://bharatstudy.online</a>  |
| 7.      | BoiSamahar Apps from Google Play store for Bengali Books                          | <a href="https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.senani.BoiSamahar">https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.senani.BoiSamahar</a>  |
| 8.      | GetAbps Apps from Google Play store for Bengali Magazine                          | <a href="https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.bangla.magazine.abp.abpbookshelf">https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.bangla.magazine.abp.abpbookshelf</a>  |
| 9.      | Amader Bharat (For updated news in Bengali)                                       | <a href="https://www.amaderbharat.com/">https://www.amaderbharat.com/</a>  |
| 10.     | eSS (INFLIBNET)   | eSS has created a dedicated page having information on different <b>off-campus</b> access facilities offered from the publishers under consortium which can be viewed on e-Shodh Sindhu website at <a href="https://ess.inflibnet.ac.in/offcampus.php">https://ess.inflibnet.ac.in/offcampus.php</a><br><br>Further, it is also informed that several publishers under eSS have opened access to <b>additional</b> |

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|     |              | <b>contents</b> to scholars and researchers which can be viewed at <a href="https://ess.inflibnet.ac.in/covidresources.php">https://ess.inflibnet.ac.in/covidresources.php</a> .  |
| 11. | Project Muse | <p>In view of the Covid-19 challenge that the whole world is going through, with almost all the higher education institutions shutting down temporarily, Project MUSE has taken the initiative of making their content available remotely for their clients, so that the students and researchers can continue research and coursework as smoothly as possible from their homes.</p> <p>All of the freely available content can be Searched or Browsed by choosing “Only content I have access to” in the left navigation from the following links:</p> <p><a href="https://muse.jhu.edu/search">https://muse.jhu.edu/search</a></p> <p><a href="https://muse.jhu.edu/browse">https://muse.jhu.edu/browse</a></p> <p>This will allow you to access not only content recently freed by publishers but also over 2,000 open access books, open access journals as well as content freed regularly through the year.</p> <p>one can see the notices about content on MUSE being opened up by the publisher on the following link:</p> <p><a href="https://about.muse.jhu.edu/resources/freeresourcescovid19/#freepublishers">https://about.muse.jhu.edu/resources/freeresourcescovid19/#freepublishers</a></p> |

The above list is just an indicative, not complete as there are many more sources of open access resources (we have noticed some of them in 31 March T20). The Links/URLs have been collected and tabulated to enable the end users to get all the sources in a handy and single table, which any one may browse, based on need.

Wish you all a very safe and secured staying at residence during the crisis days.



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