

# **Key Facilities & Wings of Bangladesh Bhavana**

### A. Museum

The Bangladesh Bhavana Museum opened on **September 18, 2018** and remained open to all till the COVID-19 lockdown. Unlike other Bhavanas that resumed activities post-lockdown, the museum remains closed due to the malfunctioning of the Central Air Conditioning System. However, it is expected to reopen soon. It attracted around **150 visitors daily** in pre-COVID times. It houses unique exhibits such as:

- Tagore Family Legacy in East Bengal
- **Bangladesh's Historical Milestones** (e.g., 1952 Language Movement, 1971 Liberation War)
- Handicrafts and Archaeological Discoveries
- Artifacts from East Bengal Excavations

## **B.** Library

The Bangladesh Bhavana Library contains books either on Bangladesh or from Bangladesh, donated by the Government of People's Republic of Bangladesh. Some notable collections include:

- Rabindra Rachanavali (Complete Works of Rabindranath Tagore) from two publishers of Bangladesh.
- Nazrul Collections (multiple sets of Kazi Nazrul Islam's works).
- Cultural and Political History of Bangladesh.
- · A dedicated section on Bangladesh Studies, Lalan Fakir, Kazi Nazrul Islam.

The library does not currently offer borrowing facilities, but it serves as a valuable research hub for students and scholars. It is part of the Visva-Bharati Library Network (VBLN) and houses a total of 3,727 books (as on 26.07.2022).

### C. Auditorium

- Largest auditorium at Visva-Bharati, with 453 seats (for reference, Lipika Auditorium consists of 330 seats).
- Equipped with a **state-of-the-art BOSE sound system** and all other modern amenities.

#### D. Seminar Hall & Cafeteria

- Seminar Hall: Two rooms with movable partitions for cultural and academic programs accommodating 350 seats.
- Cafeteria: Serves students, faculty, and visitors.