



Introduction

Open Journal Systems (OJS) is an open source solution developed by the Public Knowledge Project through its federally funded efforts to expand and improve access to research. The OJS is designed for managing and publishing scholarly journals online. It is a highly flexible editor-operated journal management and publishing system that has been designed to reduce the time and energy devoted to the clerical and managerial tasks associated with editing a journal, while improving the record-keeping and efficiency of editorial processes. It seeks to improve the scholarly and public quality of journal publishing through a number of innovations, from making journal policies more transparent to improving indexing.

OJS provides assistance with every stage of the refereed publishing process, from submissions through to online publication and indexing. Through its management system, its refined indexing techniques and the context it provides for research, OJS seeks to improve both the scholarly and public quality of refereed research. OJS is open source software made freely available worldwide for the purpose of making open access publishing a viable option for more journals, as open access can increase a journal's readership as well as its contribution to the public.

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OJS @ INFLIBNET

The INFLIBNET Centre has installed and configured Open Journal System on server at INFLIBNET to facilitate hosting of electronic version of journals into open access mode with all processes of submission, peer-reviewing, editing, layout designing and publishing built into it. The initiative called "Open Journal System @ INFLIBNET Centre" encourages universities and institutions that are publishing journals in print format to use the OJS @INFLIBNET for hosting electronic version of their journals free-of-cost on server at the INFLIBNET Centre. The initiative also encourages faculty in universities to start their own open access journals using the platform offered by the INFLIBNET Centre. Currently Open Journal System@INFLIBNET hosts two journals namely "Journal of Literature, Culture and Media Studies" published by Prof. N D R Chandra, Head, Department of English, Nagaland Central University and "Assam University Journal of Science & Technology" in two parts, namely, "Biological and Environmental Sciences" and "Physical Sciences and Technology" published by Assam University Press, Silchar under the editorial guidance of Prof. G D Sharma, Dean, School of Life Sciences, Assam University. The Centre has received a few more requests from faculty in universities. These journals are being assessed for their quality.

OJS Features and Facilities

- Highly flexible editor-operated journal management and publishing system, developed as an Open Source Software by the Public Knowledge Project;
- Extends assistance at every stage of the refereed publishing process, from submissions through to online publication and indexing;
- Facilitates configuration of requirements in terms of sections, sub-sections, reviewing process, etc., that can be customized to suit the individual journal's need;
- Facilitates online submission and management of content distributed on multiple servers;
- Supports subscription module with delayed open access options;
- Supports content in multiple formats including text (structured and unstructured), audio, video, graphics and animation, etc. and reading tools for content;
- Supports email alerts and comments from readers;
- Full-text of the journal articles are indexed automatically for powerful searching;
- Provides persistence URL to each journal;
- OJS is compliant to Open Archives Initiative Protocol for Metadata Harvesting (OAI-PMH). Journals hosted on OJS are, therefore, viewed as a part of universal digital library system. Metadata (bibliographic details) from journals hosted on OJS platform is harvested by the indexing services (called service providers or specialized search engines like ARC, OAISTER, Google Scholar, etc.) so as to provide unified and organized access to digital content distributed across OAI-PMH compliant repositories; and
- Complete context-sensitive online help support.

Eligibility: Who can Publish Journals on OJS @ INFLIBNET

Faculty members in universities / colleges that are already publishing their journals in print / electronic format are eligible to publish their journals on OJS @ INFLIBNET. Proposals for starting new open access electronic-only (online) journals in different disciplines are also welcomed.

Benefits of Publishing on OJS @ INFLIBNET

Users, authors and universities as publishers, as stakeholders in scholarly publishing, stand to benefit from publishing on OJS @ INFLIBNET. The benefits of publishing on OJS @ INFLIBNET in open access to different sets of stakeholders are as follows:

Users

- Get access to full-text of journals and its back-files 24x7x365 on desktop;
- Access, search and browse the content in a variety of ways, from specialized search engines like ARC, OAISTER and Google Search; and
- Get e-alerts for new content on desired subject keywords.

Researchers and Faculty as Author

- Empower the Indian academic community to publish their research articles online and reach-out to wider academic community through specialized search engines like ARC, OAISTER and Google Search;
- Increases visibility, use and citation through open access to scholarly articles to the academic community world-wide;
- Publish in peer-reviewed open access journals and get online comments on your article from academic community;

Universities / Editors as Publishers

- Free hosting service on dedicated servers, available 24x7x365, hosted at the BSNL Hosting Service with 100 Mbps Internet Bandwidth;
- Collaborate with INFLIBNET, an organization well-known to the academic community in India;
- Free, unrestricted access to OJS platform for online editorial processing of articles;
- Scholarly content are made accessible on long-term basis with lifetime archiving;
- Multiple number of journals and their content are hosted on a single platform;
- Facilitates wider exposure to journals to the higher education community world-wide; and

- Research output of the universities gets exposed to the global community in open access environment since content from open access journals are indexed by ARC, OAISTER and Google Scholar.

Process for Publishing Journals on the OJS @ INFLIBNET

- Send print copies of issues of journals published by you with a request to publish the journal in Open Journal System @INFLIBNET Centre;
- The INFLIBNET Centre will evaluate the content of journal on a number of criteria including evaluation of the issue of the journal by subject expert(s);
- On receipt of satisfactory evaluation report from the subject expert(s), publisher / editor of the journal will be asked to sign a Memorandum of Understanding with the INFLIBNET Centre;
- Soon after signing the MoU, publisher / editor is asked to submit the electronic version of the issue(s) along with the print issue(s) of the journal;
- Issue(s) of the journal are uploaded on the OJS server @ INFLIBNET and publication of the journal in open access is announced through INFLIBNET Website, listservs, blog as well as on other fora;
- Publisher of the journal (preferably the Chief Editor) is invited to the Centre to get first-hand training on OJS enabling him / her to use all features of OJS and handle the online editorial process of the journal;
- All available back-files of the journals are uploaded on the OJS platform so as to provide access to all published issues of the journal;

Who can Access Journals hosted on OJS @ INFLIBNET?

Journals hosted on OJS @ INFLIBNET are accessible to all users world-wide without any restrictions. Metadata (bibliographic details) from journals hosted on OJS @ INFLIBNET is harvested by the indexing services or specialized search engines like ARC, OAISTER, Google Scholar, etc. Users may use such specialized search engines to get more comprehensive results to their search queries.



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