



Open Journal Access System

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Culture and Media Studies

Biological and Environmental Sciences

Physical Sciences and Technology

Farm Sciences

Political Science

Economics

Management

Sociology and Social Anthropology

Geography;

Literature

Agriculture Sciences

Psychology

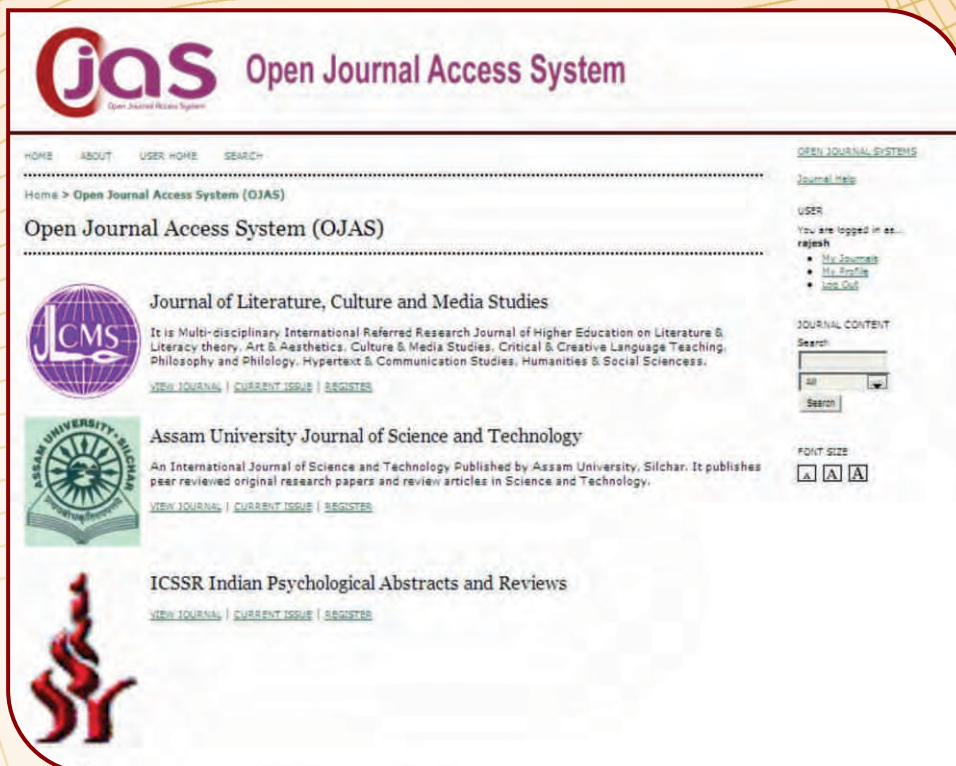
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Open Journal Access System @ INFLIBNET Centre

Introduction

The Open Journal Access System (OJAS) at INFLIBNET Centre uses Open Journal System (OJS), an open source solution developed by the Public Knowledge Project through its federally funded efforts to expand and improve access to research. The OJAS is designed for managing and publishing scholarly journals online.

The INFLIBNET Centre has installed and configured Open Journal System on servers 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. OJAS encourages universities and institutions that are publishing journals in print format to use the OJAS @INFLIBNET for hosting electronic version of their journals free-of-cost on servers 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 Access System @ INFLIBNET Centre hosts fourteen journals namely:



1. Journal of Literature, Culture and Media Studies, published by Nagaland Central University;
2. 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;
3. ICSSR Journal of Indian Psychological Abstracts and Reviews;
4. ICSSR Journal of Abstracts and Reviews : Economics;
5. ICSSR Journal of Abstracts and Reviews: Geography;
6. ICSSR Journal of Abstracts and Reviews: Political Science; &
7. ICSSR Journal of Abstracts and Reviews: Sociology and Social Anthropology, published by ICSSR, New Delhi;
8. Management Convergence, published by Department of Management, Mizoram University, Aizwal, Mizoram
9. International Journal of Farm Sciences, published by University of Horticulture & Forestry, Nauni, Solan;
10. Karnataka Journal of Agriculture Sciences, published by Karnataka Agriculture University, Dharwad, Karnataka;

11. Management Insight, published by School of Management Sciences, Varanasi;
12. Purushashtra: A Journal of Management, Ethics and Spirituality, published by School of Management Sciences, Varanasi;
13. Journal of Knowledge Consortium of Gujarat: Humanities, published by Knowledge Consortium of Gujarat, Gandhinagar; and
14. Trends in Information Management, published by Department of Library and Information Science, University of Kashmir, Jammu & Kashmir.

The Centre has received a few more requests from universities, institutes and faculty in universities. These journals are being assessed for their quality.

OJAS: Features and Facilities

- ▶ Built on highly flexible editor-operated journal management and publishing system called OJS;
- ▶ 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 customised 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;
- ▶ OJAS is compliant to Open Archives Initiative Protocol for Metadata Harvesting (OAI-PMH). Journals hosted using OJAS software, therefore, viewed as a part of universal digital library system. Metadata from journals hosted on OJAS platform is harvested by the indexing services (called service providers or specialized search engines like 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 OJAS @ INFLIBNET?

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

Benefits of Publishing on OJAS @ INFLIBNET

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

End User

- ▶ get access to full-text of journals and its back-files 24x7 on desktop;
- ▶ access, search and browse the content in a variety of ways, from specialized search engines like OAISTER and Google Search; and
- ▶ get an 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 OAISTER and Google Search;
- ▶ increases visibility, use and citations 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 24x7, hosted at the BSNL Data Centre with 100 Mbps Internet Bandwidth;
- ▶ Collaborate with INFLIBNET, an organization well-known to the academic community in India;
- ▶ free, unrestricted access to OJAS 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 OAISTER and Google Scholar.

Process for Publishing Journals on the OJAS @ INFLIBNET

- ▶ Send print copies of issues of journals published by you with a request to publish the journal in OJAS @ INFLIBNET Centre;
- ▶ The INFLIBNET Centre will evaluate the content of journal on a number of criteria including evaluation of the issues 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 OJAS 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 OJAS enabling him / her to use all features of OJAS and handle the online editorial process of the journal; and
- ▶ All available back-files of the journals are uploaded on the OJAS platform so as to provide access to all published issues of the journal.

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