

Review on a Digital Library Websites of Universities

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Introduction

A digital library, also called an online library, an internet library, a digital repository, or a digital collection is an online database of digital objects that can include text, still images, audio, video, digital documents, or other digital media formats or a library accessible through the internet.¹

Santiniketan Central Library

The Central Library is located in the 3rd floor of the institution. It has a floor area of 1325 Sq.mts. Floor are internet connected. The Library is well illuminated and Air-conditioned. It provides a good ambience and free from noise.

The library Circulation counter cum Reception area is at the entrance of the library. Electronic devices are used in this counter for handling books taken from the library or received.

The Central Library works from 8.00 am to 8.00 pm on all working days. Library is closed on National holidays such as Republic Day, Independence Day and Gandhi Jayanti and also Pongal and Deepawali. The Library has Text and Reference Books as well as journals. All the Library facilities and services are supported by qualified and efficient staff members who provide information services to the users. The library provides Online Public Access Catalogue (OPAC) facility for easy search for the faculty and students. An OPAC has been created and 5 terminals are provided for easy access. It is also made available to the end users with in campus. All library operational services have been automated using windows based technology.

Santiniketan Medical College (SMC), established in 2021, is a private/ Public-Private partnership medical college located in Santiniketan, Bolpur, West Bengal, India.¹ It offers the Bachelor of Medicine and Surgery (MBBS) degree course. The college is recognized by the National Medical Commission and affiliated with the West Bengal University of Health Sciences.² The hospital associated with this college is the Bolpur Subdivisional Hospital. Smc is also the India's 1st PPP medical College under National medical commission Act.

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Library Sections



Figure I.Santiniketen Medical Library Section

Management of the Digital Library

Santiniketan College Library has a lot of e-books and e-journals in diverse medical domains.

Libraries today have increased obligations to serve a large user base in the era of open communication and knowledge sharing.

Accessing articles in libraries is becoming increasingly difficult. To address this issue, librarians must conduct thorough and thoughtful research.



Figure 2.Santiniketan Website Face for Digital Library Having Difficulty, the Librarian Found Solutions

Problem/ Difficulty

- Register subscriptions with reviews
- Journal arrival is tracked, skipped issues, late issues, supplier claims are managed
- Control complex categories, delayed publications, publications that appear out of order
- Missing articles and publications received
- Collections may appear in the OPAC and librarian interfaces in different ways

Solution

Koha is one of the powerful open source library management tool that deals basic to high-end customization to manage, search and retrieve serials and its missing issues management.



Figure 3

What Is KOHA LMS?

Koha is an open-source integrated library system, used world-wide by public, school and special libraries. The name comes from a Māori term for a gift or donation.³

KOHA Support⁴

- Official webpage: http://www.koha.org
- Documentation: http://www.kohadocs.org/ and a wiki
- Manual: Koha 3.0 Manual Site
- Bug reports: Bugzilla
- Community support: E-mail lists, E-mail- archive
- Regional organization: Koha interest groups

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Figure 4 Features of the KOHA?

Koha has most of the features that would be expected in an ILS, including:

- Various Web 2.0 facilities like tagging, comment, social sharing and RSS feeds
- Union catalog facility
- Customizable search
- Online circulation
- Bar code printing
- Patron card creation
- Report generation
- Patron self registration form through OPAC

How to Management of Journals in the KOHA Software?

Koha provides Serial module administration is more functional in subcategories to help the library staff and

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clients, Serial parameters are ideal in the Koha software with all the significance of journals.

Do following basic steps to managing Journals:

- Create Vender
- Create Bibio
- Create MARC Framework for Journal
- Create MARC structure for Journal
- Fill bibliographic information through Cataloguing model
- Create and modify Subscription Information
- Receive of journals Check/ Search on OPAC

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Conclusion

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