

LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SERVICES



The library services gather, maintain and make accessible anything to do with health information.

This Library has tremendous campus wide electronic access facility for information services. A remarkable progress has been established with the wealth of electronic resources. It caters to the need of scientists' demand on time. The refurbished modular library provides beautiful learning ambience.

Internet Browsing Lab:

The high bandwidth Internet connectivity at the browsing lab is being effectively utilized by Staff of TRC/ICMR, project staff and students from outside.

Renovated Library



Internet Browsing Lab



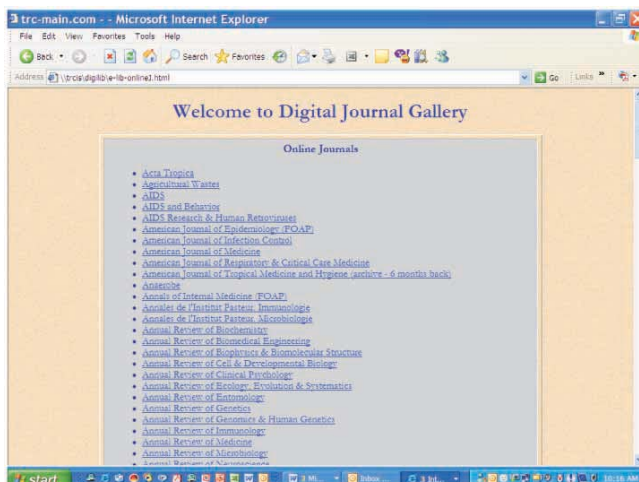
Value Added Services:

Digital Library:

The TRC library is trying to get as many resources as possible in one location, viz, Digital Library.

It serves as a web-based interface to the in-house resources and hyperlink to all the full-text e-journals; e-databases; e-subject collection and publisher's cumulative collections are being subscribed. ICMR's resource sharing electronic databases viz., ProQuest; OVID; J-gate and J-Content Consortia and Web OPAC have further strengthened the digital library platform.

Library services' forms are made available to the user community through digital library. Bibliographical details of TRC Publications; Periodicals Holding list of library and Instructions to authors are also made available electronically. The main objective of this platform is to save time.



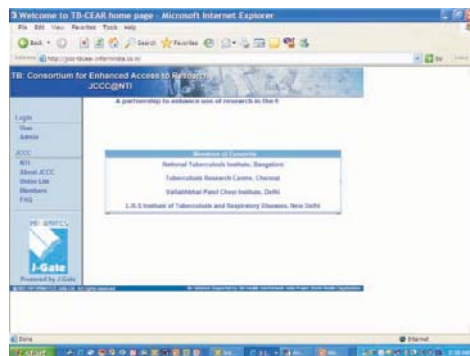
JCCC:

The Journal Custom Content Consortia has been actively fulfilled by joining hands with Indian Council of Medical Research at JCCC@ICMR; and four major TB institutes in India at JCCC@HIN under the World Health Organization's Health InterNet work Project.

JCCC@ICMR



JCCC@HIN



The SDI services are being done through Internet and CD-ROMs.

Open Access Resources:

Under the digital library umbrella, there are the pointers to outside online resources through the Open Access Resources— viz., Dictionary, Encyclopedia, Thesaurus, Search Engines, TB link, medIND, J-Gate, Specialized Health Science Databases etc. The digital library tries to make it easier to access available resources from various countries in the world.

Resource Sharing:

The Institute sustains its institutional membership facility at the British Council Library, Chennai.

The library actively participated in the ICMR librarians group and shares the existing resources on demand expeditiously.

Electronic databases, ProQuest; OVID and the consortia JCCC@ICMR; and JCCC@HIN are the best platforms to share the resources among ICMR institutes and all the four major TB institutes in India.

Multimedia Unit:

The Multimedia Unit is doing wonderful service in the area of conversion of print document to the electronic format with scanning and editing business; annual report co-ordination for designing and compilation; organizing and managing distinguished visitors/conferences/workshops' photographs; co-ordination for scientific publications and thesis work relating to scanning and editing; Portable Document Format (PDF) conversion for print article; Geographical Information System analysis; co-ordination for designing and data management for TRC Web site; and poster designing for scientists.

Future plan:

To introduce 2D and 3D animation designing for scientific related works and video/ audio mixing and editing.

Automation:

The Library automation process is being progressively followed through the software GLAS (Graphical Library Automation System, USA) to integrate circulation and collection control.

There is also a plan to introduce e-mail interaction system.

OPAC:

The Online Public Access Catalog of TRC library is being made available through GLAS Software.

The interface to access the current status of the material(s) can be done with this software through digital library.



E / print Collection development:

The electronic collection development falls on e-journals, e-databases, individual titles, cumulative collection etc. It covers nearly 89 per cent of the library's subscription.

