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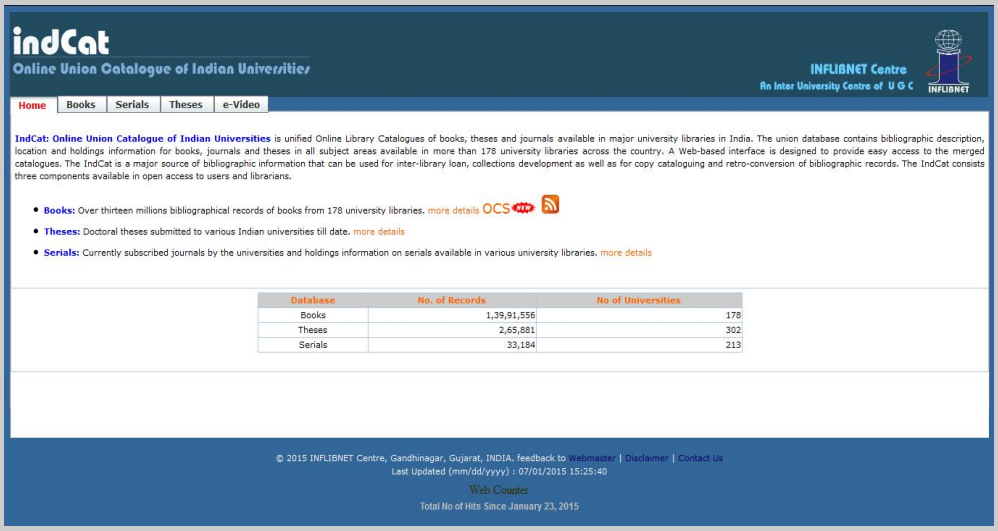
Home Page	
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Accessibility	On subscription basis
Language	English
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Brief History	Information and Library Network (INFLIBNET) Centre is an autonomous Inter-University Centre of the University Grants Commission (UGC) of India. It was a major National Programme initiated by the UGC in March 1991 with its Head Quarters at Gujarat University Campus, Ahmedabad.

Initially started as a project under the IUCAA, it became an independent Inter-University Centre in June 1996. INFLIBNET is involved in modernizing university libraries in India and connecting them as well as information centres in the country through a nation-wide network using the technologies for the maximum utilization of information. IndCat was one of the major initiatives by INFLIBNET.

Scope and Coverage

IndCat: Online Union Catalogue of Indian Universities is an Online Library Catalogues of books, theses and journals available in major university libraries in India. This database contains bibliographic description, location and holdings information for books, journals and theses in all subject areas available in more than 178 university libraries across the country. A web-based interface is designed to provide easy access to the catalogues. In IndCat union database of books covers over thirteen millions bibliographical records of books from 178 university libraries. The union database of theses covers the bibliographic metadata of doctoral theses from 287 Universities/Institutes in India. It includes 2,65,881 records from all subject areas. And the union database of serials covers the bibliographic information of serials available in more than 96 University/Institute libraries. In serials database over 33,000 records are includes. In this database serials, learned journals, periodicals classified under the serial collection by the universities.

Database	No. of Records	No of Universities
Books	1,39,91,556	178
Theses	2,65,881	302
Serials	33,184	213

Kind of Information

In IndCat user can search catalogue through three search windows, one for book, one for serials and one for theses. In case of book the details information i.e. bibliographic information of books present here. After first narrower search via author, title, ISBN, subject, year etc. a long list is appeared here. Then after clicking the particular 'Book' link one can retrieve full bibliographic information and the name(s) of university/institutions where the book is available. There is an example given below:

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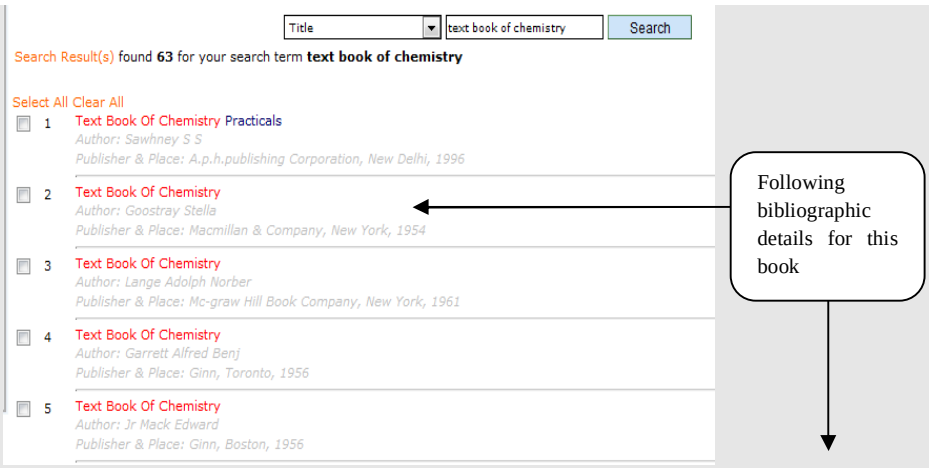

Bibliographic Details

ISBN	NA
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Parallel Title	NA
Other Title	NA
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Author	GOOSTRAY, STELLA SCHWENCK, RAE J
Corporate Body	NA
Name of Meeting	NA
Place and Publisher	NEW YORK: MACMILLAN & COMPANY
Date of Publication	1954
Date of entry	NA
Language	ENG
Physical Medium	Paper
Edition Statement	7th ed
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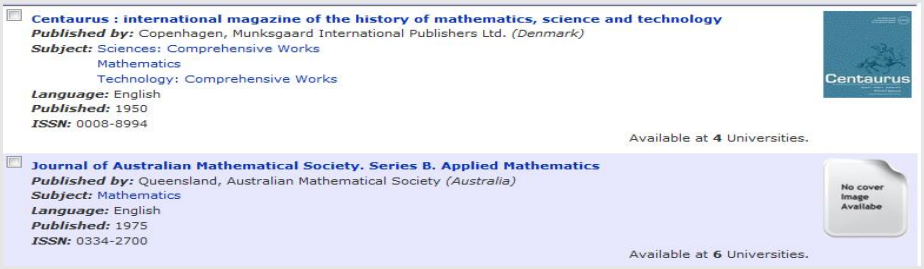
Book is available at following Universities/Institutions

No.	University/Institute	Class Number	Accession No.	Email Request
1	Avinashilingam Institute for Home Science & Higher Education for Women	E: CC+ J4	966;	Request

One can download the MARC file or CCF file or ASCII file of a particular book after selection from list. e.g.:

For serials after first narrower search via key title, subject, year, CODEN,

Publisher etc. a long list is appeared here (as like book). Then after clicking the particular 'Journal' link one can retrieve full bibliographic information including title, publisher, place, year, ISSN, cover page, CODEN, subject, DDC class number, present holdings, URL etc. There is an example given below:



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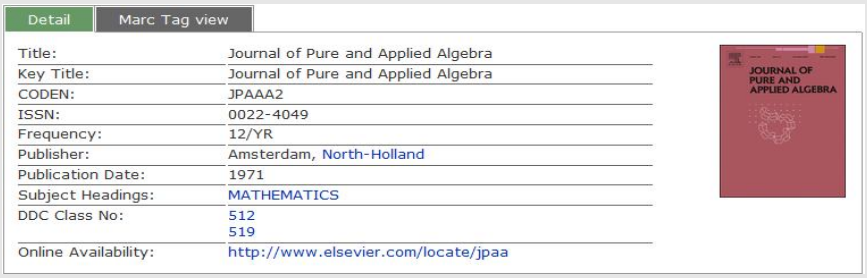

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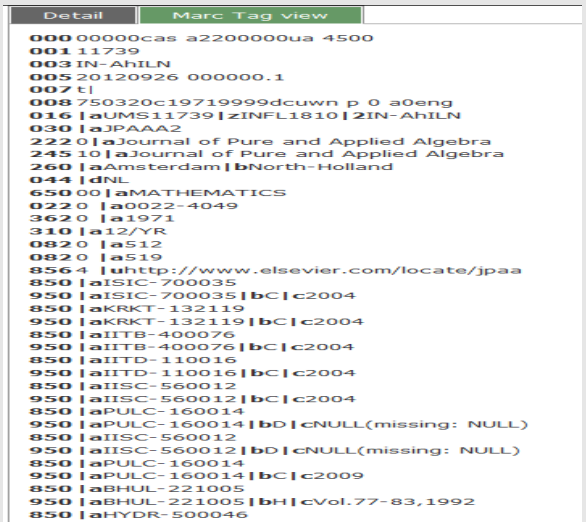

List of current holding institutions also present here.

Information about e-journals holding details, consortia holdings, RSS Feed present in serials database.

In case of thesis, through alphabetical search long list of thesis (title wise) is appeared here. Under the particular thesis details bibliographic information including title, researcher(s), guide, university, department, year, language, physical medium etc. are present. Also details MARC view and MARC tag view are available here. An example is given below for understanding.

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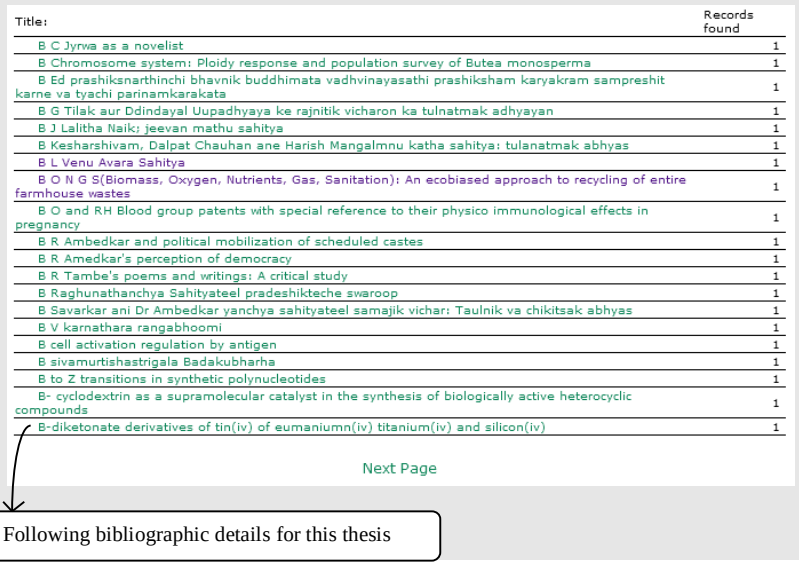
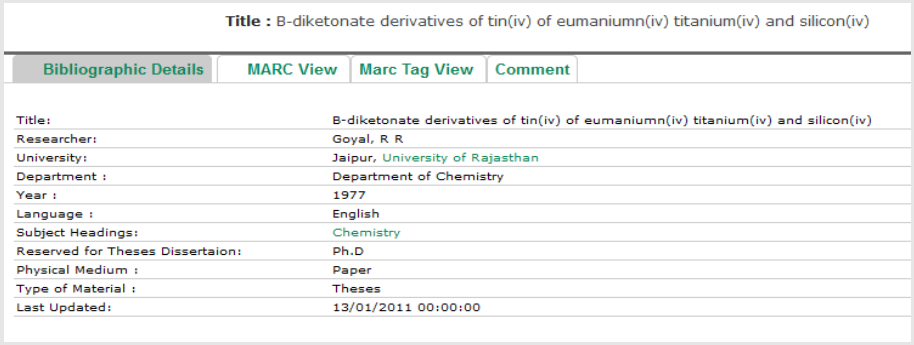
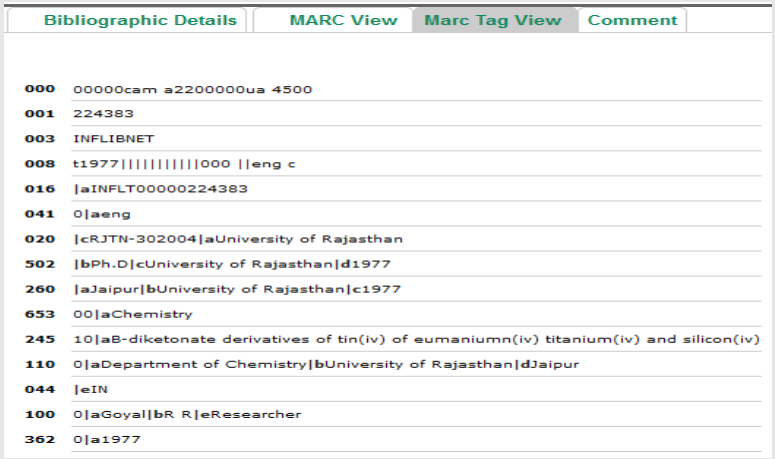


Following bibliographic details for this thesis

For further detail information users have to click on the hyperlinked title. After click following details are appeared (given through screen shot).



Details of MARC record with analysis also available with MARC tag view. For example:

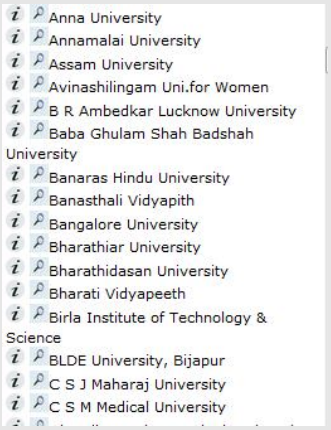


Special Features

- Links to GujCat. ⟶ GujCat Online Union Catalogue of Gujarat
- Information about Online Copy Catalogue System (OCS) present here.
- Links to INFLIBNET site for relative information.
- RSS feed option present here.

Arrangement Pattern

In case of book database list of participated universities are arranged in alphabetical order. Under each university users can retrieve their desired documents. E.g.:



⇨List of participated Universities

For thesis alphabetical browse option present here. One can find their thesis title via alphabetical list. As an example, under "A" list of thesis titles are:

For serials in IndCat one can retrieve their information i.e. bibliographic details of a particular serial through various parameters like CODEN, key title, language, publisher, subject etc.

Remarks	The IndCat is a major source of bibliographic information that can be used for inter-library loan, collections development as well as for copy cataloguing and retro-conversion of bibliographic records. Last Updated: 07/01/2015 15:25:40 as on 29th Sep 2016.
Comparable Tools	➢ Indian National Bibliography (INB) (http://inbonline.nic.in/) ➢ The British National Bibliography (http://bnb.bl.uk/) ➢ The Russian National Bibliography (Rossiyskaya Natsional'naya Bibliografiya) (http://www.bookchamber.ru/content/for_lib/elect_biblio.html) ➢ Bibliographie nationale française(French National Bibliography) (http://bibliographienationale.bnf.fr/)
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