

Home Page

The screenshot shows the home page of the Asiatic Society of Mumbai Library. The page has a blue header with the library's name and a navigation menu on the left. The main content area contains a search form with a search bar, a 'Search' button, and various filters. The 'Restricted By' section includes a 'Database' dropdown set to 'Books etc.', a 'Language' dropdown set to 'All', and a 'Document Type' dropdown with options like 'book', 'compact disk', and 'manuscript'. The 'Sort By' section has a 'Sort By' dropdown set to 'Title' and radio buttons for 'UsSorted', 'My Site', 'My Location', and 'All Locations'. There is also a 'News Entry' field and a 'Click for alerts' button. The footer contains the copyright notice: 'Copyright © 2005 LibSys Ltd. Gurgaon. All rights reserved.'

Logo

The logo consists of the text 'Asiatic Society of Mumbai Library' in a blue, serif font, centered on a light blue rectangular background.

URL

<http://59.181.126.36:8080/jopacv11/html/SearchForm>

Subject

Asiatic Society of Mumbai--Library--Catalogs

Accessibility

Partially free

Language

Multilingual

Publisher

Asiatic Society of Mumbai

Scope and Coverage

The Asiatic Society of Mumbai (formerly *Asiatic Society of Bombay*) forms part of the network of institutions created by the British to generate, systematize and disseminate knowledge of India and Orient: a vast and cumulative body of information, learning and knowledge which became constituted into the field of Indology. Asiatic Society of Mumbai Library is encyclopedic in its scope, including areas like numismatics, epigraphy, anthropology, history, archaeology, linguistics, philology, natural history, geology, philosophy, literature and theology. The library of the Society has over a hundred thousand books out of which 15,000 are classified as rare and valuable. It also has priceless artifacts and over 3,000 ancient manuscripts in Persian, Sanskrit and Prakrit, mostly on paper but some on palm

leaf. The numismatic collection of 11,829 coins includes a gold coin of Kumaragupta I, a rare gold mohur of Akbar and coins issued by Shivaji. Its map collection comprises 1300 maps. The collection of the Society include:

1. One of only two known original copies of Dante's Divine Comedy.
2. The manuscript of Vasupujyacharita (1242), a Sanskrit text on the life of the Jain Tirthankara Vasupujya.
3. The manuscript of Shahnama of Firdausi (1853), written in Persian.
4. The Aranyakaparvan (16th century) manuscript contains illustrated text from the Mahabharat and is written in Sanskrit.
5. Five Buddhist caskets excavated in the ancient port town of Sopara near the suburb of Nala Sopara.

Kind of Information

The Asiatic Society of Mumbai is a learned society in the field of Asian studies based in Mumbai, India. The library provides following type of search facilities for its users:

- Simple search;
- Advanced search;
- Additional search;
- Browsing of collection;
- Searching by ISBN;
- Searching by accession number;
- Full text search

In simple search process, users are able to search for documents by mentioning bibliographic fields like author, title, subject, ISBN, series, place of publication, publisher.

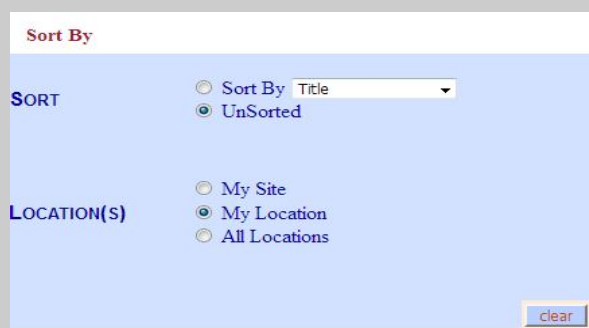
The user can make a simple search using this option also. The fields to be entered are Database, Field, Enter word(s) or phrase, Connector, Specify Year(s) of Publication etc. The following screen shots show it:

The screenshot shows a search filter interface titled "Restricted By". It contains several dropdown menus and input fields: "Database" with "Books etc" selected, "Language" with "All" selected, "Document Type" with a list including "book(AACR)", "Books", "compact disk", and "manuscript", and "News Entry" with two empty input boxes. A "More..." link is visible at the bottom.

The screenshot shows a search filter interface titled "PUBLISHING YEAR". It features radio buttons for "All", "Between", "Upto", "After", and "Selected". The "Between" option is selected, and it includes two input boxes for years separated by a hyphen. A "Year(s)" label is positioned to the right. A "clear" button is located at the bottom right.

The search result can be sorted by the options like Title, Author, Call No., year of

publication (ascending or descending) etc.



The screenshot shows a search interface with a 'Sort By' section. Under 'SORT', there is a dropdown menu currently set to 'Title' and a radio button selected for 'UnSorted'. Under 'LOCATION(S)', there are three radio buttons: 'My Site', 'My Location' (which is selected), and 'All Locations'. A 'clear' button is located at the bottom right of the form.

The above search process produces a list of relevant documents to the search query. In this list users can access limited kind of bibliographic information namely Title of the work, name of the author, call number. All the titles in that list is hyperlinked with its bibliographic information which is presented at the right side of the web page. In this format bibliographic information mainly the title, author's name, edition, publication place, year and publisher, physical description, call number, subject are provided.

Special Features

- In the OPAC page of the library, there is a external link to Library of Congress.
- Members of the library are able to reserve specific books and also are able give feet back.

Arrangement Pattern

Users are given opportunity to choose pattern of arrangement of books in search list. The list can be arranged or rearranged by title or Author (alphabetical arrangement), Call No. (alphanumeric arrangement), year of publication (ascending or descending) etc.

Remarks

The **Asiatic Society of Mumbai** can trace its origin to the Literary Society of Bombay which first met in Mumbai on November 26, 1804, and was founded by Sir James Mackintosh. It was formed with the intention of "promoting useful knowledge, particularly such as is now immediately connected with India". Function of this society are preserving, conserving, cataloguing and documenting holdings, generating supporting and disseminating research in its chosen fields, providing a forum for debate and discussions on topics of public interest.

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