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Challenges for Viksit Bharat

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ABOUT THE G. B. PANT SOCIAL SCIENCE INSTITUTE, PRAYAGRAJ

The G.B. Pant Social Science Institute, Prayagraj was set up at the initiative of the Government of Uttar Pradesh. In 1972, Pandit Kamalapati Tripathi, then the Chief Minister of UP, wrote to Shri S. Nurul Hasan, the Union Education Minister, proposing an Institute for Social Science Research in Allahabad. The proposal was supported by two subsequent UP Chief Ministers, reflecting sustained state commitment. To examine the proposal, the Government of India constituted a committee in 1975 under Prof. S. Chakravarty, Member, Planning Commission.

The Chakravarty Committee recommended establishing the institute at Allahabad with joint funding from the Centre and UP on a 50:50 matching basis. It suggested a non-recurring grant-in-aid of Rs. 50 lakh and a recurring annual grant of Rs. 10 lakh, to be shared equally by the Indian Council of Social Science Research and the Government of Uttar Pradesh. Based on this, the Government of India approved the institute's creation in 1975 under ICSSR's grants-in-aid scheme for social science research institutes, with both governments agreeing to provide matching funds. ICSSR and GoUP accepted the recommendation in principle. ICSSR began funding the institute from 1976-77. The UP Government joined on a matching basis from 1979-80 and released an initial grant of Rs. 1 lakh in July 1979. The institute was registered as a society in 1980, with representatives from the UP Government, the Central Government, and the ICSSR. Prof. S.C. Dube served as Director till 1979, after which Prof. A.D. Pant became Director following registration.

In July 2005, after the University of Allahabad was declared a Central University, the institute became a constituent of the university. Its structure and relationship with the university are now governed by University ordinances, particularly Ordinance XXXIV, which defines the framework for constituent institutes. The Central Government now funds the institute through the UGC and the University of Allahabad. Under the leadership of the current Director, Prof. Yogendra Pratap Singh, GBPSSI has emerged as one of the leading institutes in the field of the Indian Knowledge System.

ABOUT THE LIBRARY - G. B. PANT SOCIAL SCIENCE INSTITUTE, PRAYAGRAJ

The library of G.B. Pant Social Science Institute is a modern, cutting-edge knowledge hub that reflects the institute's academic rigor and has grown manifold since the institute's foundation into a dynamic reservoir driving path-breaking research and scholarly debates. As a National Centre of Information and a Regional Resource Centre, it holds a rich collection of over 50,000 books, archival documents, journals, and current documentation across social science disciplines, serving as a comprehensive repository for research in development, management, ethnography, Indian Knowledge System, and related fields for scholars from across India.

To support contemporary research, the library provides access to leading digital platforms such as the ONOS Portal, GranthSanjeevani, and e-journals, including the American Economic Review, as well as subscriptions to more than 50 national and international print journals that keep faculty and researchers up to date on global academic trends. The fully air-conditioned library offers a spacious reading hall equipped with state-of-the-art facilities, including high-speed Wi-Fi, computers, photocopiers, microfilm readers, and separate workspaces, creating an ideal environment for intensive individual study and collaborative research.

Embracing technological innovation, the library utilises SOUL software for hassle-free service automation to improve user experience and operational efficiency, and plans are underway to create an Institutional Repository to archive and display the institute's scholarly and research output, further cementing its intellectual heritage. For decades, the library has been central to the institute's mission of providing customized research support to faculty and scholars, and its continually expanding collections, combined with a commitment to innovation, keep it at the forefront of academic and research endeavours.

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ABOUT ASSOCIATION OF INDIAN LAW LIBRARIES

Idea of Association of Indian Law Libraries (AILL) was coined during first International conference on Access to Legal Information and Research in Digital Era (ICALIRDA) organised at National Law University Delhi in 2012, where law librarians of Law Schools, Courts, Law Firms and governmental bodies from India, met and expressed their willingness on the need to establish a law librarians' association in India. Mr. Jereon Vervilet, Director, Peace Palace Library, The Hague, Netherlands and President, International Association of Law Libraries (IALL), Prof. Tami Gierloff, Professor & Assistant Dean, Lewis & Clark Law School, Portland and Mr. Jonathan Franklin, Director Library, University of Washington witnessed their presence during the meetings and events.

Law Librarians of Association of Indian Law Libraries (AILL) was finally set up and announced in 2018 during the First International Conference on Digital Transformation: Preservation, Policy and Privacy (ICDT) at National Law University Delhi. Most of the law librarians from state law schools, law firms, courts and governmental institutions are members of this association.

The Association has been setup with the objectives of development law and library sciences in India; trainings for library professionals to serve better in law institutions and organisations; visualising development of laws and new techniques in library sciences to enhance information services; and publication of latest developments in law libraries around the world for awareness among law and library professionals from AILL platform. The Association is committed to assist its members for serving in best manners to their clientele with the help of advanced technology introduced. AILL maintains OJS based platform for publishing law and library science related scholarships in its peer reviewed journal known as Journal of Association of Indian Law Libraries" (JAILL)



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CALL FOR PAPERS

The Conference Secretariat is pleased to invite original research papers for the National Conference on “Bhartiya Knowledge System: Bridging Traditional Wisdom and Modern Challenges for Viksit Bharat.” The conference aims to provide an academic platform for scholars, researchers, academicians, practitioners, policymakers, and students to engage in meaningful discussions on the relevance and application of India's rich knowledge traditions in addressing contemporary challenges and contributing to the vision of Viksit Bharat.

The conference seeks to explore the enduring value of the Bhartiya Knowledge System (BKS) and its role in fostering sustainable development, innovation, ethical governance, social harmony, education, health, environmental stewardship, and nation-building. It will facilitate interdisciplinary dialogue on how traditional wisdom can be integrated with modern knowledge systems to create inclusive and future-ready solutions.

We welcome original and unpublished research papers that have not been published elsewhere or submitted simultaneously for consideration in any other conference, journal, or publication. Full-length papers should be submitted on or before 15 August 2026. The acceptance of papers will be communicated by 30 August 2026.

The conference will bring together experts from diverse disciplines to deliberate upon the significance of Indian knowledge traditions in contemporary society and their potential contribution towards building a self-reliant, innovative, and developed India.

SUB-THEMES

- Indian Knowledge System and Libraries
- Preservation and Digitization of Knowledge Heritage
- Role of Libraries in Preserving Indian Knowledge Traditions
- Intellectual Property Rights and Traditional Knowledge
- Indigenous Knowledge Preservation through Digital Technologies and AI
- Library Automation, Generative AI, and Smart Information Services
- Digital Transformation of Libraries: Opportunities and Challenges in the AI Era
- Emerging Technologies for Knowledge Discovery, Organization, and Access
- Role of Libraries in Building a Knowledge Society
- Ethical, Legal, and Policy Issues in AI-Enabled Libraries
- Privacy, Data Protection, and Information Security in the Age of Artificial Intelligence
- Copyright, Intellectual Property Rights, and Open Access in the Digital Knowledge Ecosystem
- Education 4.0, AI Integration, and the Evolving Role of Libraries in Higher Education
- Blended, Mobile, and Seamless Learning: Libraries as Digital Learning Hubs
- Research Data Management, Open Science, and Research Integrity
- Indigenous Knowledge Preservation through Digital Technologies and AI

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10th OCTOBER 2025

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