



Inter- Library Loan and Document Delivery Systems in Digital Environment Between Gujarat University Library & Gujarat Vidyapith Library, Ahmedabad

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ABSTRACT

In this electronic era any document or file transfer through the network is a starting point of electronic delivery of interlibrary loan articles through the Network. Due to some advantages to electronic delivery of articles or documents to user's desktops, nowadays a large majority of ILL users continue to prefer print on paper delivery rather than electronic delivery. In this electronic environment this fact has implications for introducing extra ordinary electronic services in this electronic era. Normally choosing what services to impose on library user, and what services to offer as value-added options in library services, is fundamental to maintaining the credibility of libraries during these times of rapid change for the library professionals.

Keywords : ILL Service, DDS, Gujarat University (GU) Library, Gujarat Vidyapith (GV) Library

INTRODUCTION:

The materials not owned it may be borrowed or a photocopy may be obtained from outside institutions or organizations or universities or colleges. Select which best suits for your needs. A one-time registration is required for that. The unit you select during your initial registration will be the pick-up location for all material borrowed on ILL (Interlibrary Loan). For this service there is no fee for this.

DOCUMENT DELIVERY:

Document Delivery is an electronic document delivery service offered between Gujarat University Library and Gujarat University Library. From this libraries Faculty, Professors, staff and students may request copies of journal articles, book chapters CDs and other materials to the University Libraries. After that the Documents will be scanned and made available on the web as PDF files through the required or demanded users. There is no fee for this service.

GUJARAT UNIVERSITY LIBRARY:

Gujarat university (GU) library was started along with its parent body the Gujarat University. The University Library moved to its newly constructed building in May 1967. The Library have more than 3, 50,457 books. 11,600 E-Books and 7,500 E-Journals are available. The Library adds about 5000 books every year and subscribes to about 250 Printed periodicals in different subjects. This library caters to the needs of the students and faculties and professors and research scholars of the Gujarat University at large. Further, there are small libraries supported/ attached to each school / department in which house texts and reference books on courses being currently offered by the respective school / department are provided. These books are issued from the Central Library of the Gujarat University on long-term basis to each school / department. The Gujarat University department and school libraries offer books and reading-room facilities to their students and teachers, professors and research scholars. Also there is a large reading room attached to the Gujarat University Central Library. The reading room can accommodate more than 600 readers. They can sit and read and write at the same time. For those students, who find the Gujarat University Central Library away from their residence, nearer centers are provided by the Gujarat University in the Ahmedabad city, like as centers at Hajipur, Saraspur and Khokhra-Mehemdabad.

STAFF DETAILS OF GUJARAT UNIVERSITY LIBRARY:

Professional staff:

I/C Librarian	Dr. Yogesh R. Parekh
Asst. Librarian	Shri. Rakesh D. Parmar
Professional Asst.	Shri. A. N. Bhavsar
Professional Asst.	Dr. K. R. Vasanawala
Technical Asst.	Smt. M. B. Patel
Technical Asst.	Smt. V. D. Vyas

Administrative Staff:

Senior Clerk	Smt.K. R. Thakkar
Senior Clerk	Shri N. V. Bhatt
Senior Clerk	Smt. P. M. Dama
Junior Clerk	Shri. N.A.Raval
Junior Clerk	Miss. N. A. Banker

SERVICES PROVIDED BY GUJARAT UNIVERSITY LIBRARY:

- Document Circulation Service
- Reference Service
- Reprographic Services
- Inter Library Loan Service
- Internet Service
- Reading Services
- Current Awareness Service
- Referral Service
- Literature Search Service
- Online Services
- OPAC and WEBOPAC
- Syllabus Service
- Bibliographic Service
- User Orientation Service

FUTURE PLANNING OF GUJARAT UNIVERSITY LIBRARY:

- Modernization of Circulation System.
- RFID.
- Institutional Repository (IR).
- Modernization of Reading Centre/ Department.
- Separate Competitive Exam Reading Centre with useful and necessary resources.
- Separate reading centre for Girls.

GUJARAT VIDYAPITH LIBRARY:

Gujarat Vidyapith Library Started since the foundation of the Gujarat Vidyapith in 1920, the Central Library has grown over the years to become one of the richest and extra ordinary repositories of books, journals and manuscripts in Gujarat state of India. The library remains open 364 days a year, remaining closed only on the first day of the Vikram Samvat/ New Year. The membership of the library is open to the public at a nominal fee. Its membership stood at 36,864 but in 2011-12 the total active members are more than 15,000 per month.

The Central Library of the Vidyapith is the statutory referral library of the Gujarat state for the purpose of copyright. The copyright section has more than 2, 08,635 books as in the year 2011.

The library comprises of the main book storage facility, reference section, copyright section, a separate hall for Gandhian studies with Gandhian material, the magazine and journal section, a reading hall and a special and separate children's section. The Gujarat Vidyapith Library has more than 5, 34,987 books, 600 Journals, 39 Newspapers and 691 manuscripts.

INTER LIBRARY LOAN SERVICES PROCEDURE:

- Through interlibrary loan, the Gujarat University Library will attempt to borrow materials or obtain photocopies of materials from Gujarat Vidyapith library.
- Both of the libraries are allow approximately 10 working days to fulfill interlibrary loan requests.
- Both Libraries notified via users mailbox or e-mail or mobile or landline phone when materials arrive. Inter library loan materials can be picked up at the Circulation Desk and it is send through the peon to the concerned library.

WHAT IS INTER LIBRARY LOAN (ILL)?

Interlibrary Loan is a service for professor, faculty, staff and registered students of the both libraries. Interlibrary Loan allows both Library users to borrow physical material from other libraries and universities, as well as obtain copies of articles or chapters from titles that are not held by each other Library.

Books can also be borrowed using inter library loan. Copies of articles and chapters from titles held by both libraries can be requested using Document Delivery also. Institutions and individuals not affiliated with these libraries

RESEARCH METHODOLOGY:

Here I have prepared small questionnaire for the comparative study of Gujarat University and Gujarat Vidyapith Libraries study and done analysis for the comparative study. These are mentioned below;

WHAT CAN BE REQUESTED ON INTERLIBRARY LOAN?

- Books and multi-volume works
- Conference proceedings
- Dissertations
- Audiovisual material (videos, DVD's)
- Selected bound journal volumes
- Microfilm
- Microfiche
- Selected articles from journals
- Selected book chapters
- Other miscellaneous formats

IS THERE A CHARGE TO USE INTERLIBRARY LOAN?

Interlibrary Loan is **free** for University professor, faculty, staff and registered students. There is **no charge** to borrow material or obtain copies of articles on Interlibrary Loan. For copies of articles for the users of Library there may be fees for photocopy.

DO I HAVE TO SUBMIT CREDIT CARD INFORMATION TO USE INTERLIBRARY LOAN?

No. During users initial registration for Interlibrary Loan and

Document Delivery they do not need to include credit card information. Most Interlibrary Loan and some Document Delivery requests are totally **free**.

CAN I REQUEST A BOOK THAT IS HELD AT GUJARAT VIDYAPITH LIBRARY BUT CURRENTLY CHECKED OUT?

Please use Borrow Direct as your primary source to request loans of Gujarat Vidyapith Library items that are checked out. If the material you need is not available from Borrow Direct you may submit a request on Interlibrary Loan person. However, in some cases it may be faster to recall the Gujarat Vidyapith library copy. If you recall the Gujarat Vidyapith Library copy please contact the Interlibrary Loan office to cancel your request.

HOW LONG WILL IT TAKE TO GET THE ITEMS I REQUESTED ON INTERLIBRARY LOAN?

Mostly loans requested on Interlibrary Loan will arrive in about 1-2 weeks, but in some cases may take very longer. Most articles are received in about 2-3 working days. If you have any questions about the status of your request please contact your Interlibrary Loan office or person for your query.

HOW LONG CAN I BORROW INTERLIBRARY LOAN ITEMS?

The loan period for items borrowed on Interlibrary Loan is determined by the library lending the material to the requested users.

CAN I RENEW MY INTERLIBRARY LOAN?

Most Interlibrary Loan material can be renewed to the requested person. Due dates and renewal eligibility will be on the band attached to the book.

A renewal may be requested by phone, e-mail, in person or on the Interlibrary Loan and Document Delivery service.

HOW DO I CANCEL MY REQUEST IF I NO LONGER NEED THE MATERIAL?

In some cases requests can be cancelled using the Interlibrary Loan and Document Delivery service.

DISCUSSION:

From the above research the author discusses that;

- The GU and GV library's are plays a vital role for the enthusiastic users of the Inter Library Loan.
- The librarian also helps to user via inter library loan and document delivery service.
- Librarians and inter library loan person are fulfilling requirement of needed users of ILL or DDS.
- Users of ILL also cooperate the library staff.
- Nowadays inter library loan is necessity for the users as well as libraries also in this electronic environment.
- A GU and GV librarian helps mostly to research scholars of their research and help them in their research providing better ILL service.

CONCLUSION:

In this article the author conclude that the faith of user in the library profession that ILL and document delivery of library materials is the service most sought. It might be expected that the ILL users would be especially enthusiastic about document delivery of inter library loan photocopies because of the university's emphasis on information technology. Here author suggest that electronic document delivery of ILL photocopies for the both Libraries like GU and GV. Both the libraries have to start online document delivery system for the better service to the user for the advance and updated future of the library. In this digital era the electronic document delivery system have to develop and work online ILL for the user's extra ordinary service. Both libraries have to develop good software for DDS and give better service to their needed users.

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