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PREFACE

As we see it that for the last few years we have been endeavouring to publish the "Guide to the Sources of Asian History" pertaining to India, which is to run into six volumes. Two volumes in the series covering records of 19 Ministries of the Government of India that existed in 1960, and information about collections of the Library and private records in the National Archives of India have been published and highly acclaimed by scholars. Three volumes in the series covering records holdings in the State/Union Territory Archives in India are under compilation, and we hope that they would be published very soon. Meanwhile, the volume entitled "Directory of Custodial Institutions in India having records and manuscripts" has been compiled, and is now presented to scholars in the present format.

We feel that the present Directory-Volume is somewhat unique in the corpus of all such Directories, as it attempts to incorporate in one handy volume relevant information about custodial institutions in India having records and manuscripts. Quite obviously, these custodial institutions are quite different from State/Union Territory Archives, as well as the National Archives of India.

In identifying custodial institutions we have considered all institutions in India, which collect and keep records and manuscripts, newspapers and private papers, books and photographs, and often memorabilia. After having approached custodial institutions in 25 States/Union Territory Administrations we are able to locate 200 institutions whose holdings have been graphically described in this Directory. We are, nevertheless, thankful to all 315 institutions who have so graciously responded to our letters and appeal, and sent us filled-in questionnaire giving information about their collections. But we have not been able to include all the responding institutions in the Directory, and the omitted institutions are those whose collections or holdings do not come under the purview of this Directory. We may here assure that omission of any institution is not to minimize its importance in any way. A list of such institutions is, however, appended in this volume. We may also add here that we hope to bring out a supplementary volume in future.

Diligent efforts of S/Shri Pramod Mehra, Sanjay Garg and Dr. S. Sen-gupta, my colleagues in National Archives of India, are commendable in bringing out this volume.

I hope the Directory Volume shall provide an overall view of holdings of a sizeable number of custodial institutions in India, and prove useful to scholars.

New Delhi,
20 January 1994.

S. SARKAR
National Archives of India

INTRODUCTION

Origin of the Project

“Guide to the Sources of Asian History” is a part of UNESCO’s comprehensive project “Guide to the Sources of the History of Nations” initiated in 1959 in collaboration with the International Council on Archives. The Asian chapter of the project, was however, inaugurated at a Planning Meeting held at Kuala Lumpur (Malaysia) during 2-6 July, 1979 where modalities of compiling National Guides were discussed. After having participated in the Kuala Lumpur meeting, India virtually launched the project in June 1984 with the constitution of an Advisory Committee, which deliberated and set the guidelines for preparing the Indian chapter of the “Guide to the Sources of Asian History”. Of the twelve Asian countries participating in the project, India has been allocated number “3” for its Guides.

Plan of the Volumes

National Archives of India has programmed to bring out six volumes of Guides under the project, which may hopefully serve as a useful reference media for holdings of archival repositories and other custodial institutions in India. The Volumes were planned as follows :—

Volume 3.1-3.2	Guide to Records and other material in the National Archives of India.
Volume 3.3-3.5	Guide to Records in the States/Union Territory Administrations.
Volume 3.6	Directory of Custodial Institutions in India, having records and manuscripts.

The first two volumes have already been published. These volumes relate to record holdings of the National Archives of India covering 30 linear kilometers of shelf space, spanning a chronological range of over 600 years from 1352 to 1960. The volumes encompass the record holdings relating to commercial activities of the English East India Company, its administration after it took over government of the country, India under direct British rule and the early years of independent India.

The cut-off date for the volumes has been set at 1960. At that date the major executive functions of the Government at the Centre were being carried out by nineteen Ministries. The first two volumes of the Guide describe and provide information on these nineteen Ministries. The second volume in the series provide information about the “Private Records” as

also rare and precious collection of books, periodicals and various monographs available with the National Archives of India. Work on the third, fourth and fifth volumes envisaged in the series and covering description of records in States/Union Territory Administration Archives is presently under progress and those would be published soon. Meanwhile, Volume No. 3.6—"Directory of Custodial Institutions in India having records and manuscripts" has been compiled, and is published for the benefit of scholars.

Method of Compilation of the Directory

While compiling the "Directory of Custodial Institutions in India having records and manuscripts", we had felt that this work would be a stupendous one without the cooperation of the States/Union Territory Administrations. We, therefore, solicited their help in achieving this task. While we were making the desired headway, it was thought prudent to approach all the Institutions in 24 States/Union Territory Administrations, who keep and collect records and manuscripts and have been taking financial and technical assistance for their upkeep. And to make the work still more comprehensive an Appeal soliciting information about their holdings of Institutions was issued. It has as well yielded some positive response. In identifying custodial institutions, it has been observed that various organisations like libraries, museums, business houses, religious*, social, political and cultural institutions, besides universities and colleges collect records and manuscripts. Copies of specifically designed 'Questionnaire' were sent to all of them and they were requested to facilitate compiling the Directory by sending the filled in questionnaire. On examining the filled in questionnaire, it has been found out that the responding institutions hold various type of records and manuscripts, which deal with land grants, literature, astronomy, philosophy, *tantra*, grammar, religious scriptures, newspapers and private papers.

Information about collections of the custodial institutions has been presented in this Volume in a layout that would give scholars a brief information about their activities, establishment, collections, facilities, etc. The Institutions are listed as per State/Union Territory in an alphabetical order. Scholars could contact the institutions directly, if they so desire, and consult their respective singular holdings. It may as well be added that information about collection of custodial institutions has been presented in the present Volume as per the layout at page (vii).

* A Sub-Committee for Records of Religious Institutions was constituted by the Government of India in pursuance of a Resolution adopted at the 47th session of the Indian Historical Records Commission held on 19-20 May 1981 at New Delhi. The overall purpose of the Sub-Committee was to identify religious institutions with sizeable collection of important records, to examine various problems of records of religious institutions and to suggest ways and means of their preservation and access to research scholars. The Sub-Committee held four meetings from 1981 to 1986 and could identify 124 religious institutions.

STATE/UNION TERRITORY

Nomenclature of the Institution

Established/Founded :

Status :

**Brief History and
Activities :**

Collection(s)

(a) **Records/Documents :**

(b) **Newspapers, etc. :**

(c) **Private Papers :**

(d) **Manuscripts :**

(e) **Microfilms/Others :**

Finding Aids :

Access :

Services/Facilities :

Significant Holdings :

Address :

ANDHRA PRADESH

**ABUL KALAM AZAD ORIENTAL RESEARCH
INSTITUTE**

Established : 1958

Status : Semi-Public

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Institute was established in 1958 in memory of Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, first Education Minister of India. It conducts research in oriental and indological studies and arranges public lectures and seminars on various topics of academic interest. Besides, the Institute also takes up various research and publication projects from time to time. The ongoing projects include compilation of 'Urdu Encyclopaedia' and 'History of Deccan' (1784-1948). A Library containing 20,000 titles is attached to the Institute. Under its publication programme, it has published 64 titles in English, Urdu, Hindi and Telugu languages covering indological subjects.

Collection(s)

(a) Records/Documents :

400 Volumes pertaining to Urdu Translation Bureau of the erstwhile Nizam's Government.

(b) Newspapers, etc. :

- (i) *Munsif*, Urdu;
- (ii) *Rehnum-e-Deccan*, Urdu;
- (iii) *Siasat*, Urdu;
- (iv) *Eenadu*, Telugu

Finding Aids :

Descriptive lists are available.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars with prior permission.

Services/Facilities :

Lodging facility is available for the scholars.

Significant Holdings :

- (i) *The Quran* (illustrated manuscript).
- (ii) *Ancient History of Iran* (manuscript).

Address : Palace Gardens, Hyderabad-500 004.

**ANDHRA PRADESH GOVERNMENT ORIENTAL
MANUSCRIPTS LIBRARY AND RESEARCH
INSTITUTE**

Established : 1975

Status : Public

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Institute has been functioning as an independent Directorate under the administrative control of the Education Department, Government of Andhra Pradesh. The Library has in its custody 23,000 manuscripts in palm leaf and paper covering a wide range of subjects. The Department has a publication programme for editing and translation of manuscripts pertaining to oriental studies. It also brings out a quarterly journal *Vijnana Saraswati* in Telugu and English.

Collection(s)

(a) Manuscripts : 23,000 manuscripts on the Vedas, the Upanishads, astronomy, grammar, etc. in Telugu, Sanskrit, Urdu, Arabic, Persian, Kannada, Hindi, Oriya and Marathi languages.

(b) Microfilms : 716 microfilm rolls containing manuscripts in its custody.

Finding Aids : Indexes and Catalogues.

Access : Collections can be consulted by scholars with prior permission.

Services/Facilities : Facilities for xeroxing and microfilming are available.

Significant Holdings :

- (i) *Kaleela Damna* (Persian manuscript)
- (ii) *Diwan-e-Hafez* (Persian manuscript)
- (iii) *Tohafath-ul-Safeer* (Persian manuscript)
- (iv) *Diwan-i-Amir Khusrow* (Persian manuscript).

Address : Ratanmahal Buildings, Abids, Hyderabad-500 001.

**ARCHIVAL CELL, DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY
(HYDERABAD UNIVERSITY)**

Established : 1987

Status : Public

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Archival Cell was opened in September, 1987. It has in its possession xerox copies of documents collected from various sources. Besides, it has in its possession private papers of statesmen and freedom fighters and a collection of rare books.

Collection(s)

- (a) **Records/Documents :** 100 documents and printed records of Fort St. George (1674-1755).
- (b) **Newspapers, etc. :** (i) *Srujana*, Telugu;
(ii) *Natyakalu*, Telugu;
(iii) *Janasakthi*, Telugu;
- (c) **Private Papers :** (i) P. Rajagopal Naidu Collection (1979-1982);
(ii) T. Kanniah Collection (1956-1960);
(iii) M. Venkatarangiah Memorial Foundation Collection (1917-1961).
- (d) **Manuscripts :** (i) 3 *farmans* (xerox copies) of Punganur relating to 18th century;
(ii) 2 rolls containing Vemana Verses (manuscript).

Access : Collection can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities : Facilities for xeroxing are available.

Significant Holdings : (i) *Punrooty* (manuscript);
(ii) *Memoir of the Internal Revenue System of Madras Presidency*.

Address : Gachi Bowli, Central University, P. O. Hyderabad-500 034.

**BIRLA ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND CULTURAL
RESEARCH INSTITUTE**

Established : 1969

Status : Private

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Institute was established to promote archaeological and cultural research in Andhra Pradesh region. It has an archaeological museum displaying stone sculptures, bronzes, paintings, manuscripts, arms, tribal material, etc.

Collection(s)

**(a) Records/Docu-
ments :**

Few *farmans* (19th century) pertaining to the Deccan are available.

(b) Manuscripts :

Palm leaf manuscripts pertaining to *ayurveda*, astronomy, astrology, palmistry, etc.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars with prior permission.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for xeroxing are available.

Address : 16-2-740, Asmangadh Palace, Malakpet, Hyderabad-500 036.

**CENTRAL INSTITUTE OF ENGLISH AND
FOREIGN LANGUAGES**

Established : 1958

Status : Public

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Institute was set up by the Government of India in 1958 as the Central Institute of English. It is an autonomous institution deemed to be a University. The scope of its activities was expanded in 1972 when it was renamed the Central Institute of English and Foreign Languages to include teaching of major foreign languages in its programme. It provides facilities for the study of English and foreign languages including their literature, research, training of teachers, production of teaching materials, and extension services. The Institute brings out a monthly journal entitled *CIEFL Monthly News Bulletin*.

Collection(s)

Microfilms : 20 microfilm rolls containing Educational Reports.

Access : The Collection at the Institute is open for consultation by scholars.

Services/Facilities : Facilities for lodging and boarding are available in the Institute.

Address : Hyderabad-500 007.

CITY CENTRAL LIBRARY

Established : 1961

Status : Public

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Library functions under the administrative control of Hyderabad City Grandhalaya Samstha, established for the purpose of organising and administering public libraries in the twin cities of Hyderabad and Secunderabad. The City Central Library has a collection of valuable books and periodicals in 8 languages viz. Telugu, English, Urdu, Hindi, Marathi, Sanskrit, Tamil and Kannada.

Collection(s)

Manuscripts : 102 manuscripts (Zubeda Yaseen Collection).

Access : The Collection can be consulted by scholars.

Address : Library Road, Ashoknagar, Hyderabad-500 020.

DISTRICT CENTRAL LIBRARY

Established : 1952

Status : Public

Brief History and Activities :

The Library at Guntur was established in 1952 under the Madras Public Libraries Act. In 1956 it came under the purview of Andhra Pradesh Public Libraries Act, 1960. Its main sections are Text Book Section, Reference Section, Mobile Section and Children's Section. The Library has in its custody over 41,130 books, periodicals in various languages besides a collection of 33 titles of Telugu and English newspapers dating back to 1924.

Collection(s)

Newspapers, etc. :

33 journals/newspapers dating back to 1924 including :-

- (i) *Bharati*, Telugu (1924 onwards);
- (ii) *Prabudha Bharat*, English (1924 onwards);
- (iii) *Subodhini*, Telugu (1934 onwards);
- (iv) *Jameen Raytu*, Telugu (1934 onwards);
- (v) *Bombay Chronicle*, English (1934 onwards);
- (vi) *Forum*, English (1944 onwards);
- (vii) *Chitragupta*, Telugu (1946 onwards);
- (viii) *Kranti*, Telugu (1948 onwards).

Access :

The Collection can be consulted by scholars.

Address : 5/3 Arundelpet, Guntur-522 002.

**DR. V. S. KRISHNA LIBRARY (ANDHRA
UNIVERSITY LIBRARY)**

Established : 1926

Status : Public

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Andhra University Library was established in 1926 with nucleus collection of 6,500 books. In 1968, the Library was rechristened as Dr. V.S. Krishna Library. The Library has in its custody 3,000 palm leaf manuscripts and 1,000 impressions of rock inscriptions taken from the temple pillars.

Collection(s)

- (a) Private Papers :**
- (i) C. R. Reddy Collection;
 - (ii) K. Venkata Reddy Collection;
 - (iii) V. S. Krishna Collection;
 - (iv) Bhonoji Rao Collection;
 - (v) Gidugu Ramamurthi Panthulu Collection.

(b) Manuscripts : 3,000 palm leaf manuscripts.

Finding Aids : Lists of the holdings are available.

Access : Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities : Facilities for xeroxing are available.

Address : Andhra University, Waltair, Vishakapatnam-530 003.

**INDIAN COUNCIL OF SOCIAL SCIENCE
RESEARCH (SOUTHERN REGIONAL CENTRE)**

Established : 1973

Status : Public

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Centre was established in 1973 for promoting and fostering research in social sciences, particularly in South Indian languages, i.e. Telugu, Urdu, Kannada, Malayalam and Tamil. It has in its possession newspaper collections in English, Urdu and Telugu languages dating back to 1922. The Centre renders documentation service in all the South Indian Languages. Besides, the Centre has launched the Oral History Programme and tape recorded the memoirs of 40 eminent persons.

Collection(s)

- (a) Newspapers, etc. :**
- (i) *Rahbar-e-Deccan*, Urdu (1922-1946), 20 Volumes.
 - (ii) *Golconda Patrika*, Telugu (1937-1947), 6 Volumes.
- (b) Others :** 40 cassettes of tape recorded memoirs of 40 eminent persons.

Finding Aids :

Index of periodicals and catalogue of journals are available.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by bonafide scholars.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for xeroxing and lodging are available.

Address : Osmania University Library, Hyderabad-500 004.

ORIENTAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE

Established : 1939

Status : Public

Brief History and Activities :

The Institute was established by the Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams in 1939 and was handed over to Sri Venkateswara University in 1956. It provides facilities to conduct researches for M. Phil and Ph.D degrees in the faculties of Sanskrit, Telugu, History, Philosophy and Indian Culture. The Library of the Institute houses palm leaf and paper manuscripts besides 26,082 titles in print. The Institute undertakes publication of manuscripts and brings out a bi-annual journal entitled *S.V.U. Oriental Journal*.

Collection(s)

Manuscripts :

The Manuscripts Collection includes 12,600 palm leaf and 2,186 paper manuscripts in Sanskrit, Telugu and Tamil languages.

Finding Aids :

Lists of holdings are available.

Access :

The Collection can be consulted by scholars.

Significant Holdings :

Asvasastra (Sanskrit manuscript ascribed to Muni Salihotra, contains paintings of horses-18th century).

Address : Sri Venkateswara University, Tirupati-517 502.

OSMANIA UNIVERSITY LIBRARY

Established : 1918

Status : Public

Brief History and Activities :

The Library was established in 1918. It has in its possession 4,28,189 titles, 143 microfilm rolls and 6,428 manuscripts.

Collection(s)

- (a) **Private Papers :** Qasim Ali Sajjunlal Collection comprising of newspapers (in Urdu) gazettes, *farmans*, notings of Nizam VII, and other high officials.
- (b) **Manuscripts :** 6,428 manuscripts in Sanskrit, Arabic, Persian, Telugu, Urdu, Kannada, Tamil, Marathi, Hindi, Turkish and Hebrew languages.
- (c) **Microfilms/Others :** (i) 143 microfilm rolls containing palm leaf and paper manuscripts.
(ii) Maps of various districts/talukas of the erstwhile Nizam State.

Finding Aids :

Catalogues of Sanskrit, Kannada, Telugu, Urdu, and Marathi manuscripts are available.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars with prior permission.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for xeroxing and microfilming are available. Lodging facilities are also available.

Significant Holdings :

Gazettes, Archaeological Reports, Administration Reports, etc. of the erstwhile Nizam's Government.

Address : Jama-i-Osmania, Hyderabad-500 007.

SALAR JUNG MUSEUM

Established : 1951

Status : Public

Brief History and Activities :

The Museum is named after Nawab Mir Yusuf Ali Khan, ex-Prime Minister of Hyderabad who was also known as Salar Jung III. The Museum was opened to the public by Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru on 16 December 1951. Later in 1961, it was declared National Museum by an Act of Parliament and is managed by the Board of Trustees. The Museum contains 44,000 art objects, 45,000 books and 10,000 manuscripts in Arabic, Persian and Urdu. The Museum has a publication programme and publishes a bi-annual journal since 1975.

Collection(s)

- (a) Newspapers, etc. :**
- (i) *Rahbar-e-Deccan*, Urdu (1927-1942);
 - (ii) *Rayyet*, Urdu (1923-1942);
 - (iii) *Himayat*, Urdu (1930-1932);
 - (iv) *Sultanate*, Urdu-Weekly, (1942-1947);
 - (v) *Payam*, Urdu (1936-1943);
 - (vi) *Nizam*, Urdu (1945-1948).

(b) Manuscripts : 10,000 manuscripts in Arabic, Persian and Urdu.

(c) Microfilms : 250 rolls containing important manuscripts in Arabic and Persian.

Finding Aids : Published *Catalogue of Manuscripts* as well as art objects are available.

Access : Collections can be consulted by scholars with prior permission.

Significant Holdings :

- (i) *Rauzat-ul-Muhibin* (Arabic manuscript).
- (ii) *Lawa-ih-Jami* (Persian manuscript).

Address : Hyderabad-500 002.

SARASWATHA NIKETANAM

Established : 1918

Status : Private

Brief History and Activities :

It was established in 1918. During 1930's the institution ran a mobile library, organised Adult Education Training Centre, conducted classes in journalism and propagated Hindi. It has a rich collection of about 65,000 volumes in Telugu, Sanskrit, English, Hindi, etc. and palm leaf manuscripts.

Collection(s)

- (a) Newspapers, etc. : (i) *Andhra Patrika*, Telugu-Daily (1942-till date);
(ii) *Krishnapatrika*, Telugu-Daily (1938-1975).

- (b) Manuscripts : Palm leaf manuscripts in Telugu pertaining to Telugu literature.

Finding Aids :

Card Indexes and Guides to the manuscripts are available.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars as per rules and regulations of the Library.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for typing and xeroxing are available. Lodging facilities can also be arranged for the scholars on request.

Address : Vetapalem-523 187.

SAYEEDIA LIBRARY (KUTUBKHANA-I-SAYEEDIA)

Founded : 1850

Status : Private

Brief History and Activities :

The Library originally belonged to Mufti Muhammad Sayeed (d. 1894) connected with the well known Nawait family of South India. The Library has in its custody 4,500 volumes including 3,000 manuscripts mostly in Arabic language.

Collection(s)

- (a) **Private Papers :** Family papers of Qazi Mahmud of Bijapur (d. 1536) of his successors.
- (b) **Manuscripts :** 3,000 manuscripts on Islamic history, theology, mysticism, medicine and astronomy.

Finding Aids : Lists of the holdings are available.

Access : Collections can be consulted by scholars with prior permission.

Services/Facilities : Facilities for xeroxing and translation are available.

Significant Holdings :

- (i) *Al Milal wa n Nihal* (Arabic manuscript, 1154 A.D.)
- (ii) *Ain-i-Akbari* (Persian manuscript, 1603 A.D.)

Address : 5-6-175, Agapura, Hyderabad-500 001.

SRI GOWTHAMI REGIONAL LIBRARY

Established : 1898

Status : Public

Brief History and Activities :

It was established as Sri Gowthami Library by late Shri Nalam Krishan Rao in 1898. The Library has in its possession 55,000 books, 405 palm leaf manuscripts and 33 paper manuscripts. The Library is especially beneficial for the scholars pursuing research studies in Telugu language and literature.

Collection(s)

(a) Records/Documents :

- (i) Legislative Assembly Debates, Official Reports, 1924-1930;
- (ii) Council of State Debates, Official Report, 1928-1931;
- (iii) Proceedings of the Legislative Council of the Government of Madras, Official Report, 1922-1924;
- (iv) Administrative Reports of various Government Departments, 1930-1938.

(b) Newspapers, etc. :

- (i) *Andhra Jyoti*, Telugu;
- (ii) *Kostha Vari*, Telugu;

(c) Private Papers :

- (i) Macanjeer Papers (in Telugu);
- (ii) Sreepadakrishna Minty Sastry Papers (in Telugu).

(d) Manuscripts :

405 palm leaf and 33 paper manuscripts in Telugu language.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Address : Rajahmundry-533 101.

**SRI RALLA BANDHI SUBBA RAO ARCHAEOLOGICAL
MUSEUM**

Established : 1967

Status : Public

**Brief History and
Activities :**

Andhra Historical Research Society established in 1927 had acquired a large number of books and archaeological objects. In 1967 the Government of Andhra Pradesh took over the Society and rechristened the same as Sri Rallabandhi Subba Rao Archaeological Museum. It has in its custody 465 palm leaf manuscripts.

Collection(s)

Manuscripts :

465 palm leaf manuscripts (17th-20th century) on history, Telugu literature, grammar, astrology, etc.

Finding Aids :

Catalogue of holdings of the Museum is available.

Access :

The Collection can be consulted by scholars with prior permission.

Address : Godavari Bund Road, Rajamundry-533 101.

STATE CENTRAL LIBRARY

Established : 1891

Status : Public

Brief History and Activities :

The Library was earlier known as Kutubkhana-i-Asafia and was declared as the State Central Library for Andhra Pradesh after reorganisation of the State in 1956. The Library has in its possession 3,42,959 books and volumes, besides a newspaper collection.

Collection(s)

Newspapers, etc. :

34 newspaper collection in English, Hindi, Kannada, Marathi, Urdu and Telugu languages dating back to 1935 viz.

- (i) *Amrit Bazar Patrika*, English-Daily (1954-1981);
- (ii) *Golkonda Patrika*, Telugu-Daily (1949-1964);
- (iii) *Nizam Gazette*, Urdu-Daily (1942-1964);
- (iv) *Musheer-e-Deccan*, Urdu-Daily (1935-1978);
- (v) *Maratha*, Marathi-Daily (1950-1989).

Access :

The Collection can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for typing and microfilming are available.

Address : Afzalganj, Hyderabad-500 012.

TRIVENI BOOK TRUST

Established : 1986

Status : Private

Brief History and Activities :

The Trust was established in 1986 for helping the authors and their families in unearthing and preserving literary works authored by them or in their possession comprising translations of ancient scriptures, works on spirituality astrology, etc. The Trust has in its custody private papers and literary works of litterateurs. It has brought out publications based on ancient scriptures viz. *Mahabharata* in Telugu (7 Volumes) and brings out journals viz. *Triveni* (English quarterly), and *Na Vani* (Telugu quarterly).

Collection(s)

- (a) Newspapers, etc. : *Triveni*, English-Quarterly (cultural magazine-1926 onwards).
- (b) Private Papers : Kulapathi Ekkivala Krishnamacharya Collection comprising discourses and manuscripts of his literary works (1965 onwards).

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Address : 14/265, Edepalli, Machilipatnam-521 001.

VETURI PRABHAKARA SASTRI MEMORIAL TRUST

Established : 1982

Status : Semi-Public

Brief History and Activities :

The Trust has its origin in Prabhakara Parishodhaka Mandali which was established in 1950. It has in its custody private papers of literature in Telugu language and a library of books and journals.

Collection(s)

- (a) Newspapers, etc. :**
- (i) *Bharati*;
 - (ii) *APS Patrika*;
 - (iii) *Harijan*;
 - (iv) *Andhra Patrika*;
 - (v) *Sarvodaya*.

- (b) Private Papers :** Collections of C.V.V. Master, P. Narasimham, Kandukuri Viresalingam, Gidugu, Mallampalli, 1910-1922, pertaining to literary researches, numismatics, archaeology and epigraphy are available.

Finding Aids :

Annotated Bibliography (published 1985 of the holdings is available.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars with prior permission.

Significant Holdings :

Veturi Prabhakara Sastri Papers, 1907-1950, pertaining to literary researches, numismatics, archaeology, epigraphy, etc.

Address : 6/2 RT (NEW), Vijayanagar Colony, Hyderabad-500 057.

ASSAM

**ARCHIVES CELL, KRISHNA KANT HANDIQUI
LIBRARY (GAUHATI UNIVERSITY)**

Established : 1948

Status : Semi-Public

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Gauhati University Library had been collecting manuscripts ever since its establishment in 1948. Later, the Manuscript Section of the Library was developed into an Archival Cell. It has in its custody palm leaf and paper manuscripts, mostly in Sanskrit and Tai languages.

Collection(s)

(a) **Newspapers, etc. :** *Hindustan Standard*, English-Daily (1937-1986).

(b) **Manuscripts :** Palm leaf and paper manuscripts in Sanskrit and Tai language pertaining to religion, philosophy, history, medicine, etc. (10th-19th centuries).

Finding Aids :

Catalogue Cards and Accession Register of the holdings are available.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for xeroxing, translation and microfilm reader are available.

Significant Holdings :

- (i) *Sukhthanipam* (manuscript in Tai language pertaining to religion).
- (ii) *Asom Buranji* (manuscript on Sanchi bark pertaining to history of Assam).

Address : Gauhati University, Guwahati-781 014.

KAMRUP SANSKRIT SANJIBANI SABHA

Established : 1913

Status : Semi-Public

Brief History and Activities :

The Sabha was established in 1913 with the active efforts of Mahamahopadhyaya Dhurishwar Acharya, Pandit Pratap Chandra Goswami, Puspa Kant Sastri and Lakshmi Nath Pancatirtha. It has a Library having 2,000 books in various languages. The Sabha has been conducting various examinations in Sanskrit held under the auspices of Bangiya Sanskrit Siksha Parishad, Calcutta (West Bengal). Besides, it also felicitates eminent Sanskrit scholars.

Collection(s)

Manuscripts :

1,300 manuscripts in Sanskrit.

Finding Aids :

Descriptive Catalogues of Manuscripts are under preparation.

Access :

The Collection can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

The individuals/scholars may take the manuscript on loan basis by obtaining the permission from the General Body of the Sabha.

Significant Holdings :

- (i) *Patrakaumudi* (Sanskrit manuscript) by Mahatma Vararuchi dealing with different methods of letter writing.
- (ii) *Satchakravirupanam* (Sanskrit manuscript) by Purnananda Giri, based on *Tantra* literature.

Address : P. O. Nalbari-781 335;

NARAYANI HANDIQUI HISTORICAL INSTITUTE

Established : 1928

Status : Public

Brief History and Activities :

The Institute was established on 25 June 1928 by the Government of Assam for the purpose of acquiring ancient historical classics and modern historical works. It has in its custody 2,413 manuscripts relating to cultural, historical and religious subjects. The Institute also brings out a Bulletin and has brought out 37 publications.

Collection(s)

- (a) **Newspapers, etc. :** (i) *Dainik Asamiya*, (1946-1949);
 (ii) *Tinidiya Asamiya*, (1930-1941);
 (iii) *Sadiniya Asamiya*, (1919-1958);
 (iv) *Natun Asamiya*, (1949);
 all in Assamese language.

(b) **Manuscripts :** 2,414 manuscripts in Assamese, Sanskrit and Tai languages dating from 7th century A.D. relating to cultural, historical and religious subjects.

(c) **Microfilms :** 35 rolls containing *Dainik Asamiya*, newspaper (1922-1957).

Finding Aids : Catalogues to its holdings are available.

Access : Collections can be consulted in the Institute only.

Significant Holdings : *Ahom Buranji* (Assamese manuscript).

Address : Department of Historical and Antiquarian Studies in Assam, Guwahati-781 001.

PURVA BHARATI

Established : 1974

Status : Semi-Public

Brief History and Activities :

The Institution was established in 1974 through the efforts of social workers and eminent litterateurs of Nalbari and Guwahati. The Institute has a Museum, Library, Bal Bhavan, Lok Shiksha Vidyalaya. It has in its possession manuscripts of historical importance and some copper plate grants.

Collection(s)

(a) Private Papers : The Institute collects handwriting specimens of eminent persons of the region and has more than 30 such specimens.

(b) Manuscripts : 21 ancient manuscripts of historical importance.

Finding Aids :

Descriptive Catalogue of Art Objects is available.

Access :

Collections can be consulted in the Institute only.

Address : Nalbari-781 335.

BIHAR

BHAGWAN PUSTAKALAYA**Established :** 1913**Status :** Public**Brief History and Activities :**

It was established by late Pandit Bhagwan Prasad Choubey for the benefit of general public and for the promotion of Hindi language. In 1954 the Library was converted into a District Central Library. It is actively engaged in mass literacy programmes and in preservation and publication of manuscripts.

Collection(s)**Manuscripts :**

125 manuscripts in Sanskrit, and Hindi literature, astrology, religion, etc.

Finding Aids :

List of manuscripts.

Access :

The Collection can be consulted by scholars by payment of prescribed fees.

Services/Facilities :

facilities for translation are available.

Significant Holdings :

- (i) *Vratta Vichar* (Pingal manuscript) by Sukhdev Mishra, written around 1671 A.D.
- (ii) *Bhasha Bhushan* (Hindi manuscript) by Kavi Ram Trivedi, written around 1736 A.D.

Address : Naya Bazar, Bhagalpur-812 002.

**SRI DEVA KUMAR JAIN ORIENTAL RESEARCH
INSTITUTE****Established : 1903****Status : Public****Brief History and
Activities :**

Sri Deva Kumar Jain Oriental Research Institute was established in 1903. The Library of the Institute has in its custody more than 11,000 paper and palm leaf manuscripts. Besides, it has as well, rich collection of 9,000 titles on religion, philosophy, history and literature. The Institute brings out two bi-annual journals viz. *Jain Siddhant Bhaskar* and *Jain Antiquary*.

Collection(s)

(a) Manuscripts : 4,179 palm leaf manuscripts; 6,880 paper manuscripts on philosophy, religion, literature and grammar (15th-16th centuries).

(b) Microfilms : Microfilm roll(s) containing 37 manuscripts.

Finding Aids :

Descriptive Catalogues of Manuscripts are under preparation. 2 volumes of Catalogue(s) containing details of 2,000 manuscripts have since been published.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for photo-duplication and translation are available.

Significant Holdings :

- (i) *Jain Ramayan* (illustrated manuscript).
- (ii) *Bhaktamar* (illustrated manuscript).

Address : Sri Jain Siddhanta Bhawan, Devashram, Mahadeva Road, Arrah-802 301.

**SRIMATI RADHIKA SINHA INSTITUTE AND
SACHCHIDANANDA SINHA LIBRARY (BIHAR
STATE CENTRAL LIBRARY)**

Established : 1924

Status : Public

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Institute and Library was established in 1924 by Dr. Sachchidananda Sinha in the memory of his wife Smt. Radhika Sinha. The affairs of the Library were being managed by the Board of Trustees till 1955 when it was raised to the status of the State Central Library. The Library is a repository of journals, periodicals and newspapers and has made significant contribution to the cause of education in Bihar.

Collection(s)

- (a) **Newspapers, etc. :**
- (i) *Bihari*, English-Daily (1906-1912);
 - (ii) *Leader*, English-Daily (1909-1967);
 - (iii) *Searchlight*, English-Daily (1918-1986);
and 6 other newspapers.
- (b) **Private Papers :** Press clippings maintained by Dr. Sachchidananda Sinha during his life time.

Finding Aids : Published *Guides* to the holdings are available.

Access : Collections in the Library can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities : Facilities for typing are available.

Significant Holdings :

- (i) Proceedings of Indian National Congress
(complete set);
- (ii) *Hindustan Review*, Monthly (1899-1954).

Address : Sinha Library Road, P. O. Box No. 62 (G. P. O.)
Patna-800 001.

CHANDIGARH

DWARKA DAS LIBRARY (SERVANTS OF THE PEOPLE SOCIETY)**Established :** 1921**Status :** Registered Society**Brief History and Activities :**

The Library is administered by the Servants of People Society. It began at Lahore with the personal library of Lala Lajpat Rai. After the partition, the Library was shifted to Delhi which was the headquarters of Servants of the People Society. In 1962 it was shifted to Chandigarh. The Library has in its custody official publications, reports, newspapers, rare books, periodicals and journals.

Collection(s)**(a) Records/Documents :**

Administration Reports, Census Reports are available.

(b) Newspapers, etc. :

- (i) *The Tribune*, English (1922-1992);
- (ii) *The People*, English (1925-1930);
- (iii) *Bande Matram*, Urdu (1934-1936);
- (iv) *Harijan*, English and Hindi (1934-1942);
- (v) *Young India*, English (1921-1922);
- (vi) *Civil and Military Gazette*, English (1921-1922).

Finding Aids :

Published *Catalogue of Rare Books* is available.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars with prior permission.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for xeroxing are available.

Significant Holdings :

- (i) *Journal*—An account of the expedition of William Daniel (1702).
- (ii) *Indian Travelogue of 1655 of the Chaplain of Sir Thomas Roe, British Ambassador to Emperor Jahangir* (1777 reprint, originally published in 1655).

Address : Lajpat Rai Bhawan, Sector-15-B, Chandigarh-160 015.

DELHI

DR. ZAKIR HUSAIN LIBRARY

Established : 1920

Status : Public

Brief History and Activities :

The Library was established alongwith the Jamia Millia Islamia in 1920. It has a collection of about 1,80,000 books and periodicals, 2,000 manuscripts and personal papers of freedom fighters. Its holdings cover Islamic Studies, medieval Indian history, literature and history of freedom movement in India.

Collection(s)

- (a) Newspapers, etc. :**
- (i) *Madina*, Urdu-Daily (1912-1973);
 - (ii) *Comrade*, English-Weekly (1911-1914);
 - (iii) *Hamdard*, Urdu-Weekly, (1913-1928);
 - (iv) *Hamdam*, Urdu-Daily;
 - (v) *Young India*, English-Weekly (1921-1931);
 - (vi) *Awadh Punch*, Urdu-Weekly, (1880-1909);
 - (vii) *Kohinoor*, Urdu (1861-1863);
 - (viii) *Paisa*, Urdu (1900).

(b) Private Papers : Private Papers of Mohammed Ali, Dr. M. A. Ansari, Hakim Ajmal Khan, Dr. Zakir Husain.

(c) Manuscripts : 2,000 manuscripts in Arabic, Persian and Urdu languages relating to linguistics, Islamic history, theology, mysticism, literature, etc. dating to 12th century.

(d) Others Microfiche of *Census of India*, 1881-1951.

Finding Aids : Card Catalogues and Accession Registers are available.

Access : Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities : Facilities for xeroxing, microfilm reader are available.

Significant Holdings :

- (i) *Anware-e-Hikmat* (Persian manuscript);
- (ii) *Diwan-e-Asafi* (Persian manuscript);
- (iii) *Jahangir Nama* (Persian manuscript);
- (iv) *Majmaul Bahrain* by Dara Shikoh (Persian manuscript).

Address : Jamia Millia Islamia, Jamia Nagar, New Delhi-110 025.

INDIAN COUNCIL FOR CULTURAL RELATIONS

Established : 1950

Status : Autonomous

Brief History and Activities :

The Council was established in 1950 to strengthen and promote cultural relations and mutual understanding between India and other countries. It is an autonomous body financed by the Government of India. The Council has a publication programme, and brings out various publications including a Newsletter catering to the academic needs of foreign students in India.

Collection(s)

- (a) **Records/Documents :** 12 files containing official notings and correspondence of Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, 1952-1957.
- (b) **Newspapers, etc. :**
- (i) *Al Hilal*, Urdu-Weekly (1913-1927);
 - (ii) *Zamindar*, Urdu-Weekly (1905-1917);
 - (iii) *Comrade*, English-Weekly (1913-1914);
 - (iv) *Al-Jamia*, Arabic-Fortnightly, (1923-1924);
 - (v) *Al Balagh*, Urdu-Weekly (1915-1916).

Finding Aids : Lists and Catalogues to the holdings are available.

Access : Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities : Facilities for xeroxing are available.

Address : Azad Bhavan, Indraprastha Estate, New Delhi-110 002.

INDIRA GANDHI NATIONAL CENTRE FOR THE ARTS

Established : 1987

Status : Government Trust

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Centre is a trust established by the Government of India in the memory of Smt. Indira Gandhi. It promotes different tribal and folk arts as well as classical literature of different regions of India. The Centre functions are : *Indira Gandhi Kala Nidhi*, *Indira* nomous in structure. The constituent divisions are : *Indira Gandhi Kala Nidhi*; *Indira Gandhi Kala Kosa*; *Indira Gandhi Janpada Sampada*; *Indira Gandhi Kala Darshan*; and the *Sutradhara*. Kala Nidhi houses the collections of the Centre.

Collection(s)

- (a) **Private Papers :** Personal Book Collections of following : Prof. Suniti Kumar Chatterjee, Dr. Hazari Prasad Dwivedi, Thakur Jai Dev Singh, Shri Krishna Kriplani and Shri Heeramanik.
- (b) **Microfilms/Others**
- (i) Microfilm roll containing books back numbers of periodicals and manuscripts available at selected Oriental Manuscript Libraries.
 - (ii) Computer Databases : 3,000 manuscripts of *Gita Govinda*, *Meghduta* and *Natyasastra*.
 - (iii) Sound Recordings : Vedic chantings of *Sam Veda* and *Artharva Veda*.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars at the Centre.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for xeroxing, microfilming and microfilm reader are available.

Significant Holdings :

- (i) *Ascharyachudamani* by Shaktibhadra, a Sanskrit play written on palm leaf c. 1917 V.S. (1860 A.D.);
- (ii) *Bhaktotsavapaddhati*, a Sanskrit manuscript written on palm leaf dealing with *tantra*.

Address : Janpath, New Delhi-110 001.

INTERNATIONAL ACADEMY OF INDIAN CULTURE

Established : 1932

Status : Private

Brief History and Activities :

The Academy was established by Prof. Raghuvira, an eminent scholar of Tibetology. It aims to study Indian artistic and historical relations with Asian countries. The Library of the Academy has a rich collection of books on South-East Asia and has manuscripts on Buddhism. The Institute has a publication programme and has brought out *Satapitaka Series*.

Collection(s)

(a) Private Papers :

Prof. Raghuvira Papers, 1920-1963.

(b) Manuscripts :

Manuscripts pertaining to Buddhist Studies and Vedic literature in Sanskrit, Tamil, Tibetan Mongolian, Chinese, Sinhalese languages and scripts.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

The manuscripts can be loaned to bonafide institutions for being consulted by the scholars.

Address : J-22 Hauz Khas Enclave, New Delhi-110 016.

NATIONAL GANDHI MUSEUM

Established : 1948

Status : Public Trust

Brief History and Activities :

The Museum was established in pursuance of a recommendation of the Provisional Committee of Gandhi Smarak Nidhi in 1948. It has in its possession copies of Gandhiji's letters and writings and also periodicals edited by him. The Library of the Museum has in its custody 33,555 books and periodicals on variety of subjects and also complete volumes of newspapers with which Gandhiji was associated viz. *Indian Opinion*, *Young India*, *Harijan*, etc. The Museum has a regular publication programme to propagate the ideals and message of Mahatma Gandhi.

Collection(s)

- (a) **Newspapers, etc. :** (i) *Indian Opinion*, (1903-1914);
 (ii) *Young India*, (1919-1932);
 (iii) *Harijan*, (1933-1956).

(b) **Private Papers :** Mahatma Gandhi's correspondence (photostat copies).

(c) **Microfilms :** Microfilm rolls containing Gandhiji's writings.

Finding Aids : Registers of holdings are available.

Access : Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities : Facilities for xeroxing, microfilm reader are available. Lodging facilities are also available.

Address : Rajghat, New Delhi-110 001.

NATIONAL SOCIAL SCIENCE DOCUMENTATION CENTRE

Established : 1970

Status : Autonomous

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Centre (NASSDOC) was set up by the Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR) with the objective to build a collection of reference materials and research work on social sciences and humanities. The Library of the Centre has in its custody 1,00,000 volumes of social science periodicals, 25,000 Ph.D. theses and 15,000 research project reports. Besides, it has a good microfilm/microfiche collection of journals, Ph.D. theses and research reports. The Centre has a publication programme and has many publications to its credit. It also provides consultancy services to institutions regarding planning for library, documentation and information services.

Collection(s)

Microfilms/Others : Microfiches/microfilm rolls containing back volumes of journals bibliographies, Ph.D. theses and research reports.

Finding Aids : Catalogues, Lists, Inventory to its holdings are available.

Access : Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities : Facilities for typing, translation, xeroxing and microfilm reader are available. Lodging facilities are also available. Select material in its custody can also be loaned to institutions for the benefit of scholars.

Address : 35, Ferozeshah Road, New Delhi-110 001.

NEHRU MEMORIAL MUSEUM AND LIBRARY

Established : 1964

Status : Autonomous

Brief History and Activities :

The Nehru Memorial Museum and Library is an autonomous body financed by Government of India. It has three main constituents : a Museum as a personalia Museum on the life and times of Jawaharlal Nehru, a Library and a Centre of research on modern and contemporary India. The Library serves as a centre of research in modern Indian history with emphasis on freedom struggle. It has a rich collection of microfilms, old newspapers and private paper collections, lectures, seminars, symposia, etc. are arranged on variety of subjects. Besides, the Institution has a publication programme with a large number of publications to its credit.

Collection(s)

(a) Newspapers, etc. : 4,734 newspaper files of Indian newspapers viz.

- (i) *Bombay Chronicle*, English-Daily (1913-1959);
- (ii) *The Hindustan Times*, English-Daily (1942-1992);
- (iii) *National Herald*, English-Daily (1938-1991);
- (iv) *Tribune*, English-Daily (1884-1992);
- (v) *The Times of India*, English-Daily (1926-1993).

(b) Private Papers :

- (i) 73 Collections of institutions/organisations including :
 - (a) All India Congress Committee, (1885-1970);
 - (b) Home Rule League (1910-1937);
 - (c) Socialist Party of India (1952-1961);
 - (d) U.P. Zamindar Association (1896-1949).

(ii) 502 papers of eminent persons including collections of :

(a) Jawaharlal Nehru, 1905-1964;

(b) M. N. Roy, 1923-1954;

(c) Ram Manohar Lohia, 1956-1964.

(iii) 111 miscellaneous items viz. diaries, pamphlets, posters, registers, proceedings of the conferences, etc.

(c) Microfilms/Others : 9998 microfilm rolls, 393 microfilm rolls of newspapers/periodicals, 21,164 microfiches, and 511 oral transcripts.

Finding Aids : Card Catalogue; Published Catalogues of Jawaharlal Nehru Papers; Typed Lists of other collections are available.

Access : Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities : Facilities for xeroxing, microfilming and microfilm reader are available.

Significant Holdings :

- (i) All India Congress Committee Papers, 1885-1970;
- (ii) All India Trade Union Congress Papers, 1925-1950;
- (iii) Pherozechah Mehta Papers, 1862-1910;
- (iv) Jawaharlal Nehru Papers, 1905-1964.

Address : Teen Murti House, New Delhi-110 001.

PARLIAMENTARY MUSEUM AND ARCHIVES

Established : 1989

Status : Public

Brief History and Activities :

This Museum and Archives was set up with the primary objective to preserve the records, historical documents connected with the Constitution and the Parliament so as to trace the history and growth of parliamentary institutions and political system of our nation. The Archives acquires and preserves the records connected with the Indian Constitution, growth and work of parliamentary institutions and also the private papers, diaries and photographs of national leaders, especially parliamentarians. It also acquires and preserves pictorial record tracing the history of Parliament and has in possession 6,000 photographs relating to parliamentary activities.

Collection(s)

- (a) Records/Documents :** Letters from Prime Ministers to Chief Ministers of States (1951-1965).
- (b) Newspapers, etc. :** Press clippings from various newspapers from 1969 onwards.
- (c) Private Papers :** Collection of Private Papers of 62 parliamentarians e.g. S/Shri G. V. Mavalankar, N. G. Ranga, Smt. Vijayalakshmi Pandit, etc. comprising of correspondence, speeches, reminiscences, writings, etc. (1919-1988).

Access : The Archives is not open to public as yet.

Address : Parliament House Annexe (Sansad Soudha)
New Delhi-110 001.

SANGEET NATAK AKADEMI

Established : 1953

Status : Public

Brief History and Activities :

Sangeet Natak Akademi—The National Academy of Music, Dance and Drama was founded in 1953 for the promotion of performing arts of India. The main objective of the Akademi is to promote, preserve, disseminate and document the performing arts of the country. Its activities include its Annual Awards to distinguished artists in the field of music, drama and theatre and also financial support to performing art institutions. The Akademi has in its collection, audio/video cassettes, records, films on artists. The Collection is largely the work of the Akademi's Documentation Unit augmented by acquisition from diverse sources. The Akademi has a regular publication programme in the field of performing arts and brings out two quarterly journals viz. *Sangeet Natak* and *Sangeet Natak Akademi News Bulletin*.

Collection(s)

Others :

- (i) 4,970 hours of audio recordings;
- (ii) 770 hours of video recordings;
- (iii) 1,35,000 feet of 16 mm film;
- (iv) 45,450 monochrome photographs;
- (v) 19,000 colour photographs;
- (vi) 21,620 colour transparencies all relating to performing arts of India.

Finding Aids :

Lists of holdings are available.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

Copies of photographs and slides are available. For replaying audio/video/disc/films are also available. Duplicate copies of the material can also be loaned on request to institutions.

Address : Rabindra Bhawan, Ferozeshah Road, New Delhi-110 001.

GOA

CENTRAL LIBRARY

Established : 1832

Status : Public

Brief History and Activities :

Established in 1832 as *Publica Livria*, its nomenclature was changed to *Biblioteca Publica* in 1836. In 1897, the status of the Library was raised to that of National Library and its nomenclature was changed to *Biblioteca Nacional de Nova Goa*. By virtue of decree dated 18 March 1952, the Library became a depository for every book published in Portugal and her overseas provinces. After liberation of Goa in 1961, that *Biblioteca Nacional* was re-christened at Central Library. The Library has in its collection published books in Latin dating back to 1539 and also books printed in Goa as early as 1643. Besides, the Library has in its custody books and journals in Portuguese, French, Latin, English, Konkani and Marathi languages and rich collection of manuscripts on Indo-Portuguese history.

Collection(s)

(a) Newspapers, etc. : 171 newspapers in Portuguese, Marathi, Konkani, English languages dating back to 1800, including :

- (i) *Coninmbicense*, Portuguese-Bi-Weekly (1800-1896);
- (ii) *India Portuguesa*, Portuguese-Daily (1861-1930);
- (iii) *Diario Da Noite*, Portuguese-Daily (1919-1968);
- (iv) *Jornal da India*, Portuguese-Daily (1933-1942);
- (v) *Vida*, Portuguese-Daily (1938-1967).

(b) Manuscripts :

50 manuscripts in Portuguese, Latin, Tamil, Telugu, Kannada languages pertaining to Indo-Portuguese history, linguistics, philosophy and religion dating back to 1568.

Finding Aids :

Catalogue Cards and Indexes to the holdings are available.

GUJARAT

GANDHI SMARAK SANGRAHALAYA**Established : 1952****Status : Public Trust****Brief History and Activities :**

The Sangrahalaya is managed by Sabarmati Ashram Preservation and Memorial Trust. It has in its possession correspondence, articles and newspapers edited by Mahatma Gandhi, and has a Library on "Gandhiana" consisting of 19,233 books. The Sangrahalaya has a regular publication programme.

Collection(s)

- (a) Newspapers, etc. :**
- (i) *Navajivan*, Gujarati;
 - (ii) *Harijan Bandu*, Gujarati;
 - (iii) *Harijan Sevak*, Gujarati;
 - (iv) *Harijan*, English;
 - (v) *Young India*, English;
 - (vi) 13 files of press cuttings of newspapers, published from South Africa.
- (b) Private Papers :**
- (i) 33,973 letters (copies) to and from Mahatma Gandhi.
 - (ii) 1,371 manuscripts of articles written by Mahatma Gandhi.
 - (iii) 2,832 photographs with negatives of Mahatma Gandhi and his associates.
- (c) Microfilms :** 134 microfilm rolls containing Mahatma Gandhi's correspondence (1903-1947).

Access :

Collections at the Sangrahalaya can be consulted with prior permission. There are certain restrictions for consultation by foreigners.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for xeroxing, typing and translation are available. Lodging arrangements can also be made.

Address : Harijan Ashram, Ahmedabad-380 027.

GUJARAT VIDYAPITH

Founded : 1920

Status : Public

Brief History and Activities :

The Vidyapith is devoted to the studies of Indian history, philosophy and literature. It has been declared as deemed University by the Government of India. It has brought out more than 400 publications, mostly in Gujarati, and publishes a bi-monthly journal *Vidyapith*.

Collection(s)**(a) Records/Documents :**

- (i) Mansa State Records, 2 bundles;
- (ii) Reports of the Proceedings of Vidyapith Executive, 1920-1956;
- (iii) Records of Gujarat Prantik Samiti, 1940-1960.

(b) Newspapers, etc. :

- (i) Clippings of *Gujarat Samachar*, (1967-1993);
- (ii) 350 copies of various newspapers in Hindi and English, 1943-1948;
- (iii) 150 magazines pertaining to freedom struggle of India.

(c) Private Papers :

- (i) Morarji Desai Collection (1950-1980);
- (ii) Shivabhai Gokalbhai Patel Collection;
- (iii) Babalbhai Mehta Collection (1931-1937);
- (iv) Santilal Gandhi Collection.

(d) Others :

10,000 photographs, 1963-1993, as well as 2 video cassettes and film.

Finding Aids :

Reference media is under preparation. List of files is, however, available.

Access :

Collections at the Vidyapith can be consulted by scholars with prior permission of the Vice-Chancellor. However, scholars desirous of consulting Morarji Desai Collection have to obtain permission from the donor.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for typing and photoduplication are available. Arrangements for lodging can also be made.

Address : Ashram Road, Ahmedabad-380 014.

**HAZRAT PIR MOHAMMED SHAH DARGAH SHARIF
TRUST LIBRARY**

Established : 1916

Status : Public Trust

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Dargah Library has in its custody about 10,000 books and 2,500 manuscripts in Arabic, Persian/Urdu and Gujarati languages. There are also a few manuscripts written by Mughal Emperors.

Collection(s)

- (a) **Newspapers, etc. :** (i) *Al Hilal*, Urdu, complete set;
(ii) *Maarif*, Urdu;
(iii) *Burhan*, Urdu;
(iv) *Nigar*, Urdu.
- (b) **Manuscripts :** 2,500 manuscripts in Arabic, Persian, Urdu and Gujarati languages relating to history and religion.
- (c) **Microfilms :** 27 microfilm rolls containing Arabic, Persian, Gujarati manuscripts pertaining to literature, history, religion, etc.

Finding Aids :

Card Index of manuscripts is available and Descriptive Catalogue is currently under preparation.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

Arrangements for lodging can be made on request.

Significant Holdings :

- (i) *Mirat-e-Sikandari* (Persian manuscript);
(ii) *Favaid-e-Firozshahi* (Persian manuscript);
(iii) *Hasiy-e-Sharhe Hidayah* (Arabic manuscript).

Address : Pirmohammedshah Road, Pankornaka, Ahmedabad-380 001.

LALBHAI DALPATBHAI INSTITUTE OF INDOLOGY

Established : 1957

Status : Semi-Public

Brief History and Activities :

The Institute was established in 1957 and has been recognized by the University Grants Commission as a centre for research for Ph.D. degree. It has a Library holding books on Indology and 60,000 manuscripts in Sanskrit, Prakrit and Gujarati languages. It has a regular publication programme and brings out a journal *Samboodhi*.

Collection(s)

Manuscripts :

60,000 manuscripts in Sanskrit, Prakrit, and Gujarati languages mostly pertaining to Jain canonical texts and subjects relating to literature, philosophy, medicine, astrology, etc.

Finding Aids :

Published *Catalogue* of Sanskrit and Prakrit Manuscripts are available.

Access :

The Collection can be consulted by scholars with prior permission.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for xeroxing and translation are available.

Address : Navrangpura (Near Gujarat University), Ahmedabad-380 009.

MAHARSHI ACADEMY OF VEDIC SCIENCES

Established : 1982

Status : Private

Brief History and Activities :

The Academy is recognised as a post-graduate research centre by the Gujarat University, Ahmedabad. The objective of the Academy is to create among the people awareness for Vedic literature and its relevance to the present age. The Library has in its custody 6,000 books, 89 manuscripts. The Academy has a regular publication programme and organises teaching camps for teaching Sanskrit.

Collection(s)

- Manuscripts :** 89 manuscripts relating to religion and Vedic literature.
- Finding Aids :** List of Manuscripts is available.
- Access :** The Collection can be consulted by scholars.
- Services/Facilities :** Facilities for translation are available, on request.
- Significant Holdings :**
- (i) *Uttarvishi* (Gujarati manuscript);
 - (ii) *Garbhavali*, by Kabirdas (Gujarati manuscript).

Address : Smt. Lalitaben Patel Veda Bhawan, 3 B Highland Park Society, Behind Polytechnic, Ahmedabad-380 015.

ORIENTAL INSTITUTE

Established : 1927

Status : Public

Brief History and Activities :

The Institute is a constituent part of M.S. University of Baroda and has a rich collection of books and 27,161 manuscripts on indological subjects. It has a publication programme and brings out two quarterly journals viz. *Quarterly* in English and *Ramayan Svadhyaya* in Gujarati.

Collection(s)

(a) Manuscripts :

27,161 manuscripts on paper, palm leaf, birch bark, etc. in Sanskrit, Oriya, Telugu, Malayalam, Marathi, Urdu and Persian languages.

(b) Microfilms :

Microfilm rolls containing manuscripts i.e. *Valmiki Ramayana* (1020 A.D.) in Bir Library, Kathmandu.

Finding Aids :

Descriptive Catalogue and alphabetical lists of manuscripts are available.

Access :

Collections are open for consultation by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

Microfilm reader is available.

Address : M. S. University of Baroda, Lokmanya Tilak Road,
Opposite Sayaji Gunj Tower, Vadodara-390 002.

**SHETH BHOLABHAI JESINGBHAI INSTITUTE OF
LEARNING AND RESEARCH**

Established : 1952

Status : Private

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Institute is recognised as a **post-graduate** research centre by Gujarat University. There are about 16,000 items of antiquities preserved in the Institute comprising mainly of coins, paintings, sculptures, photographs, documents, etc.

Collection(s)

Records/Documents : 100 documents of historical value in Sanskrit, Arabic, Persian and Gujarati languages.

Finding Aids :

Descriptive Catalogue (published in 4 volumes) of Manuscripts are available.

Access :

The Collection can be consulted by scholars with prior permission.

Address : Ashram Road, Opposite Natraj Cinema, Ahmedabad-380 009.

SHRI AJAYPAL DHARMADA JAGIR TRUST

Founded : c. 10th Century A.D.

Status : Religious Trust

**Brief History and
Activities :**

Shri Ajaypal Dharmada Jagir Trust has in its custody court records pertaining to Ajaypal Jagir. The Trust also manages a temple built in the memory of Shri Ajaypal. It is managed by Trustees under the chairmanship of the Collector, Anjar.

Collection(s)

Records/Documents : Records relating to Ajaypal Dharmada *Jagir* land cases.

Access :

The Collection can be consulted by scholars with the permission of the Collector, Anjar.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for translation are available.

Address : Anjar (Kutch)-370 110.

**SHRI DWARKADHISH SANSKRIT ACADEMY AND
INDOLOGICAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE**

Established : 1960

Status : Public

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Academy was established in 1960 by Jagadguru Shankaracharya of Dwarka for promoting research in Indological studies. It has over 1,000 manuscripts in palm leaf and paper on the *Vedanta* and Indian literature. It has a publication programme and has brought out 22 published titles in English and Gujarati. It also brings out a journal *Pradip*.

Collection(s)

Manuscripts :

1,000 palm leaf and paper manuscripts on the *Vedanta* and literature.

Finding Aids :

Published *Catalogue of Manuscripts* is available.

Access :

The Collection at the Academy can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for translation are available.

Address : Near Shri Shardapith College, Dwarka-361 335.

SHRI HEMCHANDRACHARYA JAIN GYAN MANDIR

Established : 1939

Status : Private

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Gyan Mandir was established to keep Jain manuscripts scattered in various Jain *Bhandars* in Patan. It has in its possession paper and palm leaf manuscripts.

Collection(s)

Manuscripts :

21,000 manuscripts in paper and palm leaf pertaining to political history of Gujarat, dating back to 11th-12th century A.D., including few illustrated manuscripts.

Finding Aids :

Printed index of 14,000 manuscripts is available.

Access :

The Collection can be consulted by scholars with prior permission of the Trustees.

Address : Near Pancharara Temple, Piplano Sher, Patan-
384 265.

SHRI KHIJADA MANDIR

Founded : c. 17th Century A.D.

Status : Religious Trust

**Brief History and
Activities :**

Shri Khijada Mandir is managed by a Trust. It has in its custody manuscripts relating to Nawanagar State and has published books in Hindi and Gujarati languages, especially on Shri Krishna Pranami Dharma.

Collection(s)

Manuscripts : Manuscripts relating to Nawanagar State.

Finding Aids : Lists of the holdings of the Trust is available.

Access : The Collection can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities : Facilities for lodging are available free of charge.

Address : Near Khambalia Gate, Jamnagar-361 001.

SHRI MAHAVIR JAIN ARADHANA KENDRA

Established : 1980

Status : Religious Trust

Brief History and Activities :

The Aradhana Kendra was established to propagate the ideals and teachings of Lord Mahavira. It is managed by a Trust. The Gyan Mandir (House of Knowledge) of the Kendra has a Library holding 2,00,000 titles including books, old scriptures, palm leaf manuscripts, *Sutras*, etc.

Collection(s)

Manuscripts :

1,00,000 manuscripts on Indology, especially Jainism including palm leaf manuscripts.

Finding Aids :

Catalogues to its holdings are under preparation.

Access :

The Collection can be consulted by scholars with some restrictions imposed on access to *Mantra* literature and *Ched Sutras*. Special permission can be obtained to consult this particular collection.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for lodging are available.

Address : Acharya Shree Kailash Sagar Suri Gyan Mandir,
P. O. Koba, District Gandhinagar-382 009.

SHRI SHARDAPITH (LAXMI BHANDAR)

Founded : c. 491 A.D.

Status : Religious Trust

Brief History and Activities :

Shri Shardapith (Laxmi Bhandar) is an ancient temple situated in Dwarka. It is one of the four pith (centres) established by Shankaracharya. The temple has in its possession copper plate grants, palm leaf as well as paper manuscripts in Sanskrit. The Shardapith also has a publication programme and has brought out 50 titles so far.

Collection(s)

Manuscripts :

Palm leaf and paper manuscripts in Sanskrit pertaining to religion.

Access :

The Collection can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for lodging are available free of charge.

Significant Holdings :

Copper plate (c. 491 A.D.) regarding establishment of Shardapith.

Address : Dwarka-361 335.

SHRI SOMNATH TEMPLE TRUST

Founded : 1st Century A.D.

Status : Religious Trust

Brief History and Activities :

The Temple was established in first century A.D. and dedicated to Lord Shiva. After its plunder by Mahmud of Ghazni in 1026 A.D., the Temple is being rebuilt since November 1947. The Temple Trust has in its custody records of administrative nature from 1948-1988. The Trust has published 'Guide to the Temple' in English and Hindi.

Collection(s)

Records/Documents : 200 files (1948-1988) dealing with administration of the temple, accounts of donation received, correspondence with the Government, etc. are available.

Access : The Collection can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities : Lodging arrangements can be made.

Address : Prabhas Patan, Junagadh-362 002.

SMT. HANSA MEHTA LIBRARY

Established : 1950

Status : Semi-Public

Brief History and Activities :

The University of Library of M.S. University, Baroda was established on 1 May 1950 and is named after its first Vice-Chancellor Smt. Hansa Mehta. It has in its custody 4,32,531 titles which include collection of books of the erstwhile Baroda State.

Collection(s)

- (a) **Private Papers :** Dr. B. K. Thakore Collection of his works on Gujarati literature.
- (b) **Microfilms :** 50 microfilm rolls containing miscellaneous items.

Finding Aids :

Published *Catalogues* of Ph.D Theses and Card Catalogue of the Library holdings are available

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for xeroxing and lodging are available.

Address : M. S. University of Baroda, Station Road, Vadodara-390 002.

HARYANA

HARYANA PRANTIYA PURATATVA SANGRAHALAYA**Established : 1960****Status : Registered Society****Brief History and Activities :**

The Sangrahalaya was established by Swami Omanand Saraswati. It has in its custody artefacts and museum objects collected and acquired from various states viz. Haryana, Punjab, Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh. The Sangrahalaya also has in its custody ancient manuscripts, *farmans* and private papers of saints and statesmen

Collection(s)**(a) Records/Documents :**

- (i) 4 letters (1856 A.D.) relating to the Revolt of 1857.
- (ii) *Farmans* of Akbar, 988 A.H. (1581 A.D.) and Shahjahan, 1059 A.H. (1649 A.D.) addressed to Sarvkhap Panchayat, Village Soram, District Muzaffarnagar.
- (iii) *Farman* of Bahadur Shah I, 1106 A.H. (1694 A.D.) addressed to Chaudhary Tek Chand Vazir, Baliyan.
- (iv) *Farman* of Muhammad Shah, 1159 A.H. (1743 A.D.) addressed to Dungarmal Sisaul.
- (v) Letters from Maharishi Dayanand Saraswati, 1940 V. S. (1884 A.D.) addressed to Rao Raja Tej Singh and Raja Pratap Singh.

(b) Newspapers, etc. :

- (i) *Aryavart*, Hindi-Weekly (1893-1897);
- (ii) *Vidyarthi*, incorporating *Harishchandra Chandrik*, Hindi-Fortnightly (1882).

(c) Private Papers :

- (i) Raja Jaikrishandas Collection comprising of 306 letters in English and Urdu, personal and official correspondence (1858-1884).

(ii) Letters of Sadashiv Rao Bhau, Swami Dayanand Saraswati and Swami Shradhanand (1883-1925).

(d) Manuscripts :

(i) 337 manuscripts in Sanskrit and Hindi relating to literature, astrology, philosophy, Vedic literature, etc.

(ii) 77 palm leaf manuscripts in Oriya script relating to medicine and religion.

(e) Microfilms :

Microfilm roll containing manuscript of *Satyarth Prakash* by Swami Dayanand Saraswati.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars with prior permission.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for free boarding and lodging are available.

Significant Holdings :

(i) *Yuduvansh Dhwan*s (Assamese manuscripts)

(ii) *Trantrikpal Tantra* (Sanskrit manuscript)

Address : Gurukul Jhajjhar, Rohtak-124 103.

HIMACHAL PRADESH

HIMACHAL LOK SANSKRITI SANSTHAN

Established : 1957

Status : Private

**Brief History and
Activities :**

It was established by Shri Chandermani Kasbyap. It houses material pertaining to local history and folklore of Himachal Pradesh. The Institution has in its custody 2,500 manuscripts on literature, religion, history, etc.

Collection(s)

Manuscripts :

2,500 manuscripts in Sanskrit, Bangla, Hindi, Punjabi, Gujarati, Persian, and Tibetan languages relating to literature, religion, history, etc. A few manuscripts are illustrated.

Access :

The Collection can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for typing and xeroxing are available.

Significant Holdings :

- (i) *Ram Chandrika* (illustrated Sanskrit manuscript).
- (ii) *Purushotam Mahatma* (Part of *Skandapuram*-Sanskrit manuscript on palm leaf).

Address : 33/9, Mandi-175 001.

STATE MUSEUM

Established : 1974

Status : Public

Brief History and Activities :

The State Museum has in its custody *sanads* and *farmans* besides other museum objects. It organises seminars and exhibitions periodically. The Library attached to the Museum has a good collection of books on art and archaeology. The Museum has a publication programme and has brought out 4 titles so far.

Collection(s)

Records/Documents : *Sanads* and *farmans* (details not available).

Access :

The Collection is open for consultation by scholars.

Address : Chaura Maidan, Inveram, Shimla-171 004.

JAMMU AND KASHMIR

NYOMA GONPA

Founded : c. 15th Century A.D.

Status : Private

Brief History and Activities :

The Nyoma Gonpa is a branch monastery of Hemis Monastery founded by the Abbot of the Hemis Monastery. In 1983, the ownership of this monastery was transferred to the Abbot Venerable Duk Chhagon Rinpoche. The Library of the monastery has in its custody Buddhist scriptures.

Collection(s)

Manuscripts :

Buddhist scriptures, viz Dode Skalzang; Domangs; Sanges Tilen; Phatilen; Stogzung; Serot; Dorchot; Padma Thanggik; Do-Tharba; Photal; Skalapa-Zangpo.

Access :

The Collection of the Monastery's Library can be consulted by scholars.

Address : Nyoma, Ladakh-194 101.

SHRI RANBIR SANSKRIT RESEARCH INSTITUTE

Established : 1860

Status : Private

Brief History and Activities :

The Institute was established in 1860 by Maharaja Ranbir Singh of Jammu for the propagation of Sanskrit language and literature. It has a collection of manuscripts pertaining to religion and literature.

Collection(s)

Manuscripts :

5,000 manuscripts on religion, astrology, law and literature.

Finding Aids :

Catalogues to manuscripts are available.

Access :

The Collection is open for consultation by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for photoduplication are available.

Significant Holdings :

- (i) *Bhurja Granthawali* (manuscript in Sharda script).
- (ii) *Maha Bhasya* (manuscript).

Address : Shri Raghunathji Temple, Jammu-180 001.

KARNATAKA

ACADEMY OF SANSKRIT RESEARCH

Established : 1977

Status : Registered Society

Brief History and Activities :

The Academy was established to conduct research in Vedantic literature and allied areas. It has a collection of over 15,000 printed books and 4000 palm leaf and paper manuscripts. The Academy organises seminars and conducts workshops and has brought out several publications. It brings out a biannual journal and publishes quarterly Newsletter.

Collection(s)

(a) **Manuscripts :** 4,234 (3483 palm leaf and 751 paper) manuscripts pertaining to astrology, philosophy and literature.

(b) **Microfilms :** 43 microfilm rolls containing palm leaf and paper manuscripts pertaining to philosophy, religion and literature.

Finding Aids : Published *Descriptive Catalogue(s)* are available.

Access : Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities : Facilities for xeroxing are available.

Significant Holdings : (i) *Nyasaprasika* (Sanskrit manuscript).
(ii) *Vedantadipam* (Sanskrit manuscript).
(iii) *Gitabhasyam* (Sanskrit manuscript).

Address : Melkote-571 431.

**DEPARTMENT OF KANNADA FOR POST GRADU-
ATE STUDIES AND RESEARCH (MANGALORE
UNIVERSITY)**

Established : 1968

Status : Semi-Public

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Department was established in 1968. Besides teaching, the Department organises seminars, symposia, conferences and other academic programmes. It also has a Library and a regular publication programme.

Collection(s)

- (a) Newspapers, etc. : (i) *Satyagrahi*, Kannada (1923-1926);
(ii) *Kantirava*, Kannada (1929-1936);
(iii) *Navyuga*, Kannada (1921-1976);
(iv) *Swadeshabhimani*, Kannada (1907-1950).

- (b) Manuscripts : 171 palm leaf manuscripts in Sanskrit and Kannada relating to religion, *tantra*, philosophy, literature, etc.

Finding Aids : Catalogue of manuscripts is available.

Access : Collections are open for consultation by scholars.

Significant Holdings : *Kadengodlu Sahitya* (manuscript by Kadengodlu Shankar Bhat, a Kannada poet).

Address : Mangalagangothri-574 199.

**INSTITUTE OF KANNADA STUDIES (GULBARGA
UNIVERSITY)**

Established : 1970

Status : Semi-Public

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Institute imparts teaching and research facilities to post-graduate students and researchers for Ph.D degree in Kannada literature. It has in its custody manuscripts, coins, artefacts, etc. It has a publication programme.

Collection(s)

Manuscripts :

3,361 manuscripts in Kannada script pertaining to literature and religion.

Finding Aids :

Descriptive Catalogue of Manuscripts is under print.

Access :

The Collection can be consulted by scholars.

Significant Holdings :

Uddharanas (Kannada manuscript)

Address : Gulbarga-585 105.

**INSTITUTE OF KANNADA STUDIES (KARNATAK
UNIVERSITY)**

Established : 1970

Status : Semi-Public

**Brief History and
Activities :**

Established in 1970 the Institute has in its possession palm leaf and paper manuscripts and also some copies of inscriptions. It has a publication programme with 204 published titles to its credit.

Collection(s)

Manuscripts :

3,000 palm leaf and paper manuscripts mostly in Kannada pertaining to astrology, medicine, literature, etc.

Access :

The Collection can be consulted by scholars with prior permission.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for translation and lodging are available.

Address : Dharwad-580 003.

**INSTITUTE OF KANNADA STUDIES (UNIVERSITY
OF MYSORE)**

Established : 1966

Status : Semi-Public

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Institute was established in 1966. The Library of the Institute has in its custody more than 5,000 manuscripts in Kannada, Malayalam and Sanskrit languages and script. Besides, it has in custody more than 9,000 titles on the history of Karnataka. It has also published critical editions of 125 manuscripts.

Collection(s)

Manuscripts :

5,000 palm leaf and paper manuscripts (1342-1850) on astrology, medicine, yoga in Kannada, Sanskrit, Malayalam languages and script.

Finding Aids :

Published *Descriptive Catalogue of Manuscripts* (9 volumes).

Access :

The Collection can be consulted by scholars with prior permission.

Services/Facilities :

Microfilm reader as well as inter-library loan facility in India and abroad are available. Lodging facilities are also available.

Significant Holdings :

- (i) *Vikamarjun Vijaya* by Pampa, 941 A.D. (Kannada manuscript).
- (ii) *Basava Purana* by Bhimakavi, 1369 A.D. (illustrated manuscript).

Address : Manasagangothri, Mysore-570 006.

KALPATARU RESEARCH ACADEMY

Established : 1981

Status : Private

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Academy was established by a group of eminent Vedic and Sanskrit scholars to promote oriental research. The main objective of the Academy is to promote research and studies in Indology, Vedic studies and Sanskrit. It has a Library of books and manuscripts in various languages. Besides, having regular publication programme it runs a Veda Pathshala on traditional lines.

Collection(s)

Manuscripts :

Palm leaf and paper manuscripts in Sanskrit, Kannada, Telugu and Malayalam languages pertaining to astrology, *tantra*, *purana*, etc.

Access :

The Collection can be consulted by scholars with prior permission.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for translation are available.

Address : P. O. Box No. 1857, Chamarajpet, Bangalore-560 018.

KELADI MUSEUM AND HISTORICAL RESEARCH

BUREAU

Established : 1960

Status : Private

Brief History and Activities :

The Bureau was established in 1960 to house and preserve personal collection of manuscripts, ancient texts and antiquities of erstwhile Keladi rulers. It has in its custody 230 palm leaf manuscripts in Kannada, Sanskrit and Telugu languages and has brought out *Descriptive Catalogue of Palm Leaf Manuscripts*.

Collection(s)

- (a) **Records/Documents :** Inam Registers relating to gift of land by Adil Shah of Bijapur.
- (b) **Newspapers, etc. :** Stray collection of newspaper/periodicals dating back to 1892 are available. The titles include :
- (i) *Karnataka Vritta*, Kannada and English;
 - (ii) *Gnanodaya*, Kannada;
 - (iii) *Hyderabad Samachar*, Kannada;
 - (iv) *Sanmarga Dansaka*. Kannada-Weekly.
- (c) **Private Papers :** Private Papers of S/Shri C. Rajagopalachari, Mirza Ismail, M. Visheshwaraiah, Jayachamarajendra Wodeyar and P. S. Sivaswamy Aiyer.
- (d) **Manuscripts** 230 manuscripts in Kannada, Telugu and Sanskrit languages relating to literature, medicine, philosophy, astrology, etc. pertaining to 14th-18th centuries.

Finding Aids :

Published *Descriptive Catalogue of Palm Leaf Manuscripts* is available.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Significant Holdings :

- (i) *Basava Purana* (14th century palm leaf manuscript in Kannada language).
- (ii) *Kaivalya Paddhati* (17th-18th century palm leaf manuscript in Kannada language).
- (iii) *Siddhanta Kaumadi* by Bhattoji Dikshita (Sanskrit manuscript on palm leaf dealing with Kannada grammar written in c. 17th-18th century).
- (iv) *Keladi Nripa Vijaya* by Linganne (Kannada manuscript on palm leaf about history of the rulers of Keladi).

Address : Keladi-577 401.

MYTHIC SOCIETY

Established : 1909

Status : Registered Society

Brief History and Activities :

The Society was founded by the then European Indologist living in India. The Library of the Society has in its possession rare publications and microfilms containing manuscripts and literature, history and numismatics. The Society has brought out a number of publications and publishes a journal entitled *Quarterly Journal of Mythic Society*. It also organises lectures and seminars and conducts certificate courses on Karnataka history.

Collection(s)

Microfilms :

3 microfilm rolls containing :

- (i) *Mayura Varma Charitra* (manuscript).
- (ii) *Deccan Numismatics*, manuscript copy of unpublished ph.D. theses by Dr. M. H. Krishna.
- (iii) *The Pagoda of Halebeed* (containing photographic view with descriptive details).

Finding Aids :

Title, author and subject Card Index to the holdings are available.

Access :

The Collection can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for typing are available.

Address : Nrupathunga Road, Bangalore-560 002.

**ORIENTAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE (UNIVERSITY
OF MYSORE)**

Established : 1891

Status : Semi-Public

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Institute was established in 1891 with the object of collecting and preserving manuscripts. It has acquired a sizeable number of manuscripts over the years. The publication programme of the Institute comprises of publication of critically edited rare manuscripts in its custody and has brought out 165 titles so far.

Collection(s)

(a) Manuscripts :

65,000 manuscripts in Sanskrit, Kannada, Arabic and Persian languages on religion, literature and poetry.

(b) Microfilms :

Important Sanskrit manuscripts in the custody of the Institute are also available on microfilm rolls.

Finding Aids :

Published *Descriptive Catalogue of Manuscripts* (other than Arabic and Persian) is available.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Significant Holdings :

- (i) *Brahmasutrabhasya* by Anandatirthiya (Sanskrit manuscript).
- (ii) *Akruracharitre* by Somenatha (Sanskrit manuscript).

Address : Manasagangothri, Mysore-570 005.

**SHRI JAGADGURU MOORUSAVIR
MAHASAUNSTHAN MATH**

Founded : c. 11th Century A.D.

Status : Religious Trust

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Math is an old religious Centre and has palm leaf manuscripts in its custody. It also has a Library containing religious treatises.

Collection(s)

Manuscripts :

Palm leaf manuscripts on literature and religion.

Finding Aids :

Published *Catalogue of Palm Leaf Manuscripts* is available.

Access :

The Collection can be consulted by scholars with prior permission.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for lodging are available.

Address : Hubli-580 028.

**SHRI MANJUNATHESWARA CULTURAL AND
RESEARCH INSTITUTE**

Established : 1988

Status : Private

**Brief History and
Activities :**

This Institution was established in 1988 with efforts of Shri D. Veerandra Heggade, Dharmadhikari of Shri Manjunatheswara Temple and Shri Kshetra Dharmasthala for preservation of ancient palm leaf and paper manuscripts in Indian languages. The Foundation has been able to collect more than 3,000 manuscripts and has adopted scientific methods of their preservation.

Collection(s)

- (a) Newspapers, etc. :** 19 newspapers in English, Kannada, Marathi languages dating from 1874. The titles include :
- (i) *Dhyan Bodhak*, Marathi-Weekly, (1874);
 - (ii) *Karnatak Vritta*, Kannada-Weekly, (1897);
 - (iii) *Nade Gaunada*, Kannada-Daily, (1903);
 - (iv) *Vishwa Bandhu*, Kannada-Fortnightly, (1925);
 - (v) *Paur Samajika Patrika*, Kannada-Weekly, (1935);
 - (vi) *Karnatak Bandhu*, Kannada-Weekly, (1941).

- (b) Manuscripts :** 3,000 manuscripts in Kannada, Sanskrit and Telugu languages pertaining to literature, religion, astrology and philosophy.

Finding Aids : Catalogues to manuscripts under preparation.

Access : Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities : Facilities for typing and translation are available. Lodging facilities are also available.

Address : Dharmasthala-574 216.

SMRITI BHAVAN (DR. T.M.A. PAI MUSEUM)

Established : 1982

Status : Private

Brief History and Activities :

Smriti Bhavan is a memorial of the Late T. M. A. Pai, founder of the Manipal group of educational, health care and learning institutions. The exhibits in the Museum comprise of photographs, documents and personal effects relating to Dr. Pai.

Collection(s)

(a) Newspapers, etc. : *Manipal Record*, English-Weekly/Monthly (1984-1990). Some back issues are also available.

(b) Private Papers : Dr. T. M. A Pai Correspondence, 1942-1979.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars, except the personal letters of Dr. Pai.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities of translation are available.

Address :

UNITED THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE**Established : 1910****Status : Private****Brief History and Activities :**

The College in Bangalore is one of the leading theological institution in Asia and it is affiliated to Serampore University. The College conducts the following courses : B. D. (Bachelor of Divinity), M.Th (Master in Theology) and D.Th (Doctor in Theology). It has a Library and collection of private papers of eminent persons acquired through gift.

Collection(s)**(a) Private Papers :**

Collections of :

- (i) P. D. Devanandan, 1901-1902;
- (ii) Willam Elphie, 1910-1920;
- (iii) E. V. Mathew, 1919-1971;
- (iv) Manilal C. Parekh, 1925-1949;
- (v) K. T. Paul, 1909-1930;
- (vi) Murray Rogers, 1951-1967;
- (vii) Vedranyam Sastiar, 1800-1906;
- (viii) Sadhu Surender Singh, 1918-1949;
- (ix) M. M. Thomas, 1936-1989;
- (x) S. J. Samartha, 1949-1990.

(b) Manuscripts :

Palm leaf manuscripts (36 bundles).

Microfilm rolls containing :

(c) Microfilms :

- (i) United Theological College Archives (171 rolls);
- (ii) London Missionary Society, 1800-1865 (1 roll);
- (iii) Tranquebar Mission, 1705-1877, (14 rolls);
- (iv) Church Missionary Society, 1812-1830, (17 rolls).

Finding Aids :Published *United Theological College Archives Catalogue* is available.**Access :**

Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

Typing, xeroxing and microfilm reader facilities are available. Lodging arrangements can be made on request.

Address : P. O. Box No. 4613, 63 Miller's Road, Bangalore-560 046.

KERALA

CANNANORE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Established : 1929

Status : Public

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Library was established in 1929 and was registered as a Society a year later. It has in its custody, 20,392 titles in English, Hindi, Tamil and Malayalam languages.

Collection(s)

Records/Documents : Despatches of Duke of Wellington, 1799-1818 in 12 volumes.

Finding Aids :

Catalogue of the Library's holdings is available in English and Malayalam languages.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Address : Govardhan Mandir, Bank Road, Cannanore-670 001.

**DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY (CALICUT
UNIVERSITY)**

Established : 1968

Status : Semi-Public

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Department of History, Calicut University provides teaching and research facilities to students for M.A. and Ph.D degrees.

Collection(s)

(a) Manuscripts :

3 Volumes of *Valancheri Granthaveri* (Aliraja's manuscripts).

(b) Microfilms :

Microfilm roll containing material on "Malabar Rebellion".

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for xeroxing and lodging are available.

Address : P. O. Calicut University, Calicut-673 635.

**DEPARTMENT OF SANSKRIT (CALICUT
UNIVERSITY)**

Established : 1977

Status : Semi-Public

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Department of Sanskrit, established in October 1977, provides teaching facilities to students for M.A. degrees in Sanskrit. It also offers research facilities for M.Phil and Ph.D degrees in Sanskrit. The Department has a publication programme and periodically organises seminars and symposia.

Collection(s)

Manuscripts :

The Department has a collection of palm leaf manuscripts.

Finding Aids :

Published *Catalogue of Manuscripts*, Volume I (containing details of 632 manuscripts) is available.

Access :

The Collection can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for typing and xeroxing are available.

Address : P. O. Calicut University, Calicut-673 635.

EDNEER MATH

Founded : 1330 A.D.

Status : Religious Trust

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Math was founded in 1330 A.D. by Shri Totakacharya, one of the four disciples of Adi Shankaracharya. The Math has in its possession some manuscripts pertaining to philosophy, religion, rituals, etc.

Collection(s)

Manuscripts :

Manuscripts comprising of religious treatises and commentaries on Hindu philosophy.

Access :

The Collection can be consulted by scholars.

Significant Holdings :

- (i) *Acharam Paddhati* (manuscript);
- (ii) *Itihasas Vedantakowmudi* (manuscript);
- (iii) *Upasadana* (manuscript with commentary by Anand Jananayathi).

Address : P. O. Edneer, Kasaragod-670 541.

KOTTAYAM PUBLIC LIBRARY

Established : 1882

Status : Private

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Library was established in 1882 by Dewan T. Rama Rao. It has in its custody 1,20,000 books and a collection of palm leaf manuscripts.

Collection(s)

Manuscripts :

The Library has a collection of palm leaf manuscripts (details not available).

Access :

The Collection can be consulted by scholars.

Address : Kottayam-686 001.

**MANUSCRIPTS LIBRARY (DEPARTMENT OF
MALAYALAM, UNIVERSITY OF CALICUT)**

Established : 1971

Status : Semi-Public

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Manuscripts Library of the University of Calicut has in its custody over 12,000 palm leaf manuscripts. It has a programme for publication of manuscripts. The Library has also undertaken a project entitled "Scheme for preservation, listing, cataloguing and census of palm leaf manuscripts" which envisages survey and listing of palm leaf manuscripts in private custody.

Collection(s)

(a) Records/Documents :

Family records (on palm leaf) dealing with land tenures, income and expenditure, etc.

(b) Manuscripts :

4,250 codices containing 12,000 palm leaf manuscripts pertaining to history of Kerala and Malayalam literature.

Finding Aids :

Published *Descriptive Catalogue of Malayalam manuscripts* (two volumes) is available.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for typing and xeroxing are available. Palm leaf manuscripts can also be loaned within the country on executing a bond.

Significant Holdings :

- (i) *Keralolpatti* (Malayalam manuscript on palm leaf relating to the history of Kerala).
- (ii) *Keralamahatmyam* (Malayalam manuscript on palm leaf relating to the history of Kerala).

Address : P. O. Calicut University, Calicut-673 635.

MAR THOMA THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY**Established :** 1926**Status :** Private**Brief History and Activities :**

The Seminary was established in Kottayam as the Episcopal Silver Jubilee Memorial of His Grace Titus II Mar Thoma Metropolitan. The Seminary is affiliated to the Serampore University and offers post-graduate courses of study in theology. In addition, the Seminary provides facilities for consultation in social, religious, pastoral and ecumenical issues.

Collection(s)**(a) Records/Documents :**

Messages, letters, ecclesiastical records, historical accounts, reports, canonical texts, (7th century onwards), etc. viz.

- (i) Minutes of the First Meeting of Mar Thoma Theological Seminary, Kottayam, 1926;
- (ii) Maramon Convention Sermons, 1915.

(b) Private Papers :

- (i) Sermon notes of Rev. K. I. Vark Kasseesa Kizhakkethalakkal;
- (ii) Marx Athanasius Stephenos Collection;
- (iii) Correspondence between Syrian Metrans and Col. Munro;
- (iv) Rev Titus I Mar Thoma Collection.

(c) Manuscripts :

Palm leaf manuscripts pertaining to Church's history.

(d) Others

Audio and video cassettes pertaining to various celebrations and functions of the Institution.

Finding Aids :

Lists of documents/papers are available.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

Facility of xeroxing the documents is available. Lodging facility is also available.

Significant Holdings :

- (i) Syriac Holy Bible (manuscripts) 1723 A.D.
- (ii) Document regarding origin of the Church in China (The Nestorian Monument).

Address : P. O. Box No. 287, Kottayam-686 001.

NAIR SERVICE SOCIETY

Founded : 1914

Status : Registered Society

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Society was founded by Shri Mannathu Padmanabhan in 1914 with the cooperation of Congress leaders especially Shri Kelappan who become its first President. It has 4,250 Karayogams (small sub-units of the Society) representing 50 lakh members of Nair community. The Society is presently running 25 colleges and 119 schools, Nursing Training Schools, orphanages, libraries, etc. The Society has a publication programme and publishes a weekly journal *Service Weekly* in Malayalam (from 1972 onwards).

Collection(s)

Records/Documents : Minutes of the Council and the Board Meetings of Nair Service Society are available.

Access : The Collection can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities : Facilities for xeroxing and translation are available. Lodging facilities are also available.

Address : P. O. Perunnai, Changanacherry-686 102.

ORIENTAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE AND MANUSCRIPTS LIBRARY (UNIVERSITY OF KERALA)

Established : 1908

Status : Semi-Public

Brief History and Activities :

The Institute was established in 1908 and has in its custody 5,600 palm leaf and paper manuscripts. The activities of the Institution include collection, preservation, editing and publishing ancient and rare manuscripts in Malayalam, Sanskrit and Tamil languages. The Institute provides research facilities to research scholars and brings out two journals viz. *Pracina Kairali* (Malayalam) and *Journal of Manuscript Studies* (English and Sanskrit).

Collection(s)

Manuscripts :

56,000 palm leaf and paper manuscripts pertaining to literature, philosophy, *tantra* and *Vedanta*.

Finding Aids :

Reference media to the holdings of the Institute are available.

Access :

The Collection can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for xeroxing and translation are available. Lodging facilities are available as well.

Address : P. O. Kariavattom, Thiruvananthapuram-695 581.

MADHYA PRADESH

**MADHAV RAO SAPRE SMRITI SAMACHARPATRA
SANGHRAHALAYA**

Established : 1984

Status : Public

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Sanghralhalaya was established in 1984 and has developed into a research centre for study of the history of journalism. It has in its custody more than 2,000 titles of newspapers/periodicals in Hindi, English, Marathi and Gujarati languages dating back to 1841. It has an exhibition as well as a portrait gallery. The Sanghralhalaya has published 6 titles pertaining to Indian journalism.

Collection(s)

Newspapers, etc. :

2,000 titles of newspapers/periodicals in Hindi, Marathi, English and Gujarati Languages including :—

- (i) *Qiran-ul-Sadian*, Urdu-Weekly (1848);
- (ii) *Prabhakar*, Marathi-Weekly (1841);
- (iii) *Swadesh*, Gujarati-Weekly (1924-1927);
- (iv) *The Times of India*, English-Daily (1838-1978);
- (v) *The Hindustan Times*, English-Daily (1925-1992);
- (vi) *Malwa Akhbar*, Hindi-Daily (1852-1862);
- (vii) *Martand*, Hindi-Weekly (1928-1948).

Finding Aids :

Two volumes of list of newspapers are available.

Access :

The Collection is open for consultation by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for typing and xeroxing are available.

Address : Kamla Udyan Parisar, Bhopal-462 002.

**MAHAKAVI KESHAV ADHYAPAN EVAM
ANUSANDHAN KENDRA**

Established : 1983

Status : Autonomous

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Kendra was established on 14 July 1983 by the Government of Madhya Pradesh and became a constituent unit of Awadesh Pratap Singh University, Rewa. The Centre has in its custody 114 manuscripts and has a publication programme.

Collection(s)

Manuscripts :

114 manuscripts in Sanskrit and Hindi relating to literature, religion, geography, grammar, etc.

Finding Aids :

List of manuscripts is available.

Access :

The Collection can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for lodging are available.

Significant Holdings :

- (i) *Drashtanth Leela* by Parmanand Das (Sanskrit manuscript), 1832 V. S. (1775-A.D.).
- (ii) *Mahurt Chintamani* by Anant Devagya Ram (Sanskrit manuscript), 1511 Saka (1589 A.D.).

Address : Awadesh Pratap Singh University, Rewa-486 001.

**PRACHYA NIKETAN (CENTRE OF ADVANCED
STUDIES IN INDOLOGY AND MUSEOLOGY)**

Established : 1972

Status : Private

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Centre was established in 1972 by the Birla Institute of Art and Music, Bhopal, to promote studies in Indology and Museology. It is a recognised research centre under Barkatullah University (Bhopal University) for the post-graduate and research students in Ancient Indian History and Culture and Archaeology. The Centre has undertaken a number of research projects and has organised seminars on various aspects of Indian Culture. It has brought out a number of publications, especially excavation reports, and publishes a journal entitled *Prachya Pratibha*.

Collection(s)

Manuscripts :

43 manuscripts in Sanskrit, Prakrit and Pali languages relating to sculpture, literature, history, etc.

Finding Aids :

Index Cards to its holdings are available.

Access :

The Collection can be consulted by scholars with prior permission.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for xeroxing, microfilm reader are available. Facility for photographing records by researchers is also available by paying requisite fees.

Significant Holdings :

- (i) *Hansdoot* (Sanskrit manuscript) 1846 V. S. (1789 A.D.).
- (ii) *Chatuvarg Chintamani* by Hemadri (Sanskrit manuscript) 1656 V. S. (1599 A.D.).

Address : Birla Museum, Sri Laxmi Narayan Temple, 21, Malviya Nagar, Bhopal-462 003.

SHRI SHYAM SATSANG MANDAL

Established : 1984

Status : Public Trust

Brief History and Activities :

The Mandal was established in 1984 as a religious, social, literary and educational organisation. It has in its custody over 5,000 books and periodicals and is actively engaged in acquiring private papers and literary works of eminent litterateurs. Besides, it also brings out a journal entitled *Amritansh*.

Collection(s)

Private Papers :

Private Papers Collection of eminent litterateurs comprising of their correspondence and literary works.

Access :

The Collection is open for consultation by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for translation, typing and xeroxing are available.

Address : Shri Shyam Prangan, Shiv Mandir Marg, P. O. Amlai Paper Mills, Shahdol-484 117.

MAHARASHTRA

**ANANTHACHARYA INDOLOGICAL RESEARCH
INSTITUTE**

Established : 1974

Status : Public Trust

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Institute is a Post-Graduate Research Centre recognised by the University of Bombay for conducting research leading to M.A. and Ph. D. degrees. It also conducts Certificate and Diploma courses in Sanskrit, and organises seminars on Indological subjects.

Collection(s)

Manuscripts :

Palm leaf and paper manuscripts pertaining to literature, religion and philosophy.

Finding Aids :

Computerised list of books is available.

Access :

The Collection can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

The material can be loaned to institutions for the benefit of scholars.

Address : G. D. Somani School Building, Cuffe Parade, Colaba,
Bombay-400 005.

BHANDARKAR ORIENTAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE

Established : 1917

Status : Public Trust

Brief History and Activities :

The Institute was established in 1917 in honour of Ramakrishna Gopal Bhandarkar who was an eminent Indologist. It functions through its four main Departments : (i) Mahabharata and Research Unit (ii) Manuscripts (iii) Publication, and (iv) Post-Graduate Teaching and Research. The Institute has a collection of 70,000 books and journals in its Library. The Institute has published a critical edition of the *Mahabharata*. At present it has programmed to publish a critical edition of *Harivamsa* and an Index to critical edition of the *Mahabharata*. It has brought out a large number of publications and brings out a journal entitled *Annals of the Bhandarkar Oriental Research Institute*.

Collection(s)

(a) **Manuscripts :** 20,000 manuscripts (palm leaf and paper) pertaining to Vedic literature, religion, linguistics, astrology, etc.

(b) **Microfilms Others :** Microfilm rolls containing 300 manuscripts in the custody of the Institute are available.

Finding Aids : Published *Descriptive Catalogue of Manuscripts* 28 volumes are available.

Access : The Collection can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities : Facilities for xeroxing are available. Lodging facilities are also available.

Significant Holdings : (i) *Upanitibhavaprapancakatha* (palm leaf manuscript, 906 A.D.).
(ii) *Mahabhasya* by Patanjali (manuscript, 1490 A.D.).

Address : 812, Shivaji Nagar, Pune-411 004.

BHARAT ITIHAS SAMSHODHAK MANDAL

Established : 1910

Status : Public Trust

Brief History and Activities :

The Institute was established in 1910 to collect, conserve, publish source material pertaining to Indian history and culture. It has in its possession 15,00,000 documents, 30,000 manuscripts, besides inscriptions, coins, sculptures, etc. It has so far published 112 titles, and brings out a journal entitled *Bharata Itihas Samshodhaka Mandala Quarterly*.

Collection(s)

(a) Records/Documents :

- (i) *Sanads* of the Mughals;
- (ii) Correspondence, grants, account books, etc. of the Adil Shahis, Bhosalas and Peshwas (18th-19th centuries).

(b) Private Papers :

- (i) Family records of Dabhades of Talegaon; Dikshit-Patwardhans of Nasik. Desais of Nipani;
- (ii) Temple/Ecclesiastical records from Trymbakeshwar (Nasik).

(c) Newspapers, etc. :

- (i) *Kesari*, Marathi-Daily (1883-1973);
- (ii) *Dyanaprakash*, Marathi-Daily (1849-1896);
- (iii) *Mantri*, Marathi-Daily (1893-1925)
- (iv) *Maratha*, English-Daily (1943-1947) and 22 other newspapers.

Finding Aids :

Published Guide to the Mandal Museum is available.

Access :

Collection can be consulted by scholars with prior permission.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for xeroxing, translation and lodging are available.

Address : 1321, Sadashiv Peth, Pune-411 030.

BHARATIYA ITIHASA SANKALANA SAMITI

Established : 1973

Status : Private

Brief History and Activities :

The Samiti was established in the memory of Shri Babasaheb Apte, an eminent social worker. It functions under the aegis of Shri Babasaheb Apte Smriti Samiti, and has branches located in Delhi, Kanpur, Patna, Hyderabad and Pune. It has published 28 titles in English, Marathi, Sanskrit, Hindi and Telugu on topics mainly relating to history and literature. It has a Library attached to it.

Collection(s)

- Records/Documents :**
- (i) Historical literature pertaining to freedom movement, 1857;
 - (ii) Collection of *Sankalpa Mantras* from various places of religious importance.
 - (iii) Documentation of literature of archaeological significance on "Saraswati River Research Project".

Finding Aids :

Lists of holding are available.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars with prior permission.

Services/Facilities :

The record holdings in the custody of the Institute could be loaned within the country and abroad on request.

Address : Bacharajee Vyas Chowk, Manal, Nagpur-440 002.

BHARTIYA VIDYA BHAVAN

Established : 1938

Status : Public Trust

Brief History and Activities .

The Bhavan was established in 1938 by Dr. K. M. Munshi. It imparts education in various subjects like Sanskrit, Indian classical languages and ancient scriptures and foreign languages. The Bhavan has its centres in India and abroad. It has also published over 900 titles and brings out journals viz. *Bhavan's Journal*, English-Quarterly; *Navneet*, Hindi-Monthly; and *Samvid*, Sanskrit-Quarterly. The Institute periodically organises seminars and symposia.

Collection(s)

- (a) **Private Papers :** Collections of Dr. K. M. Munshi, Acharya Jin Vijayji Muni, Babu Rajendra Singh Singhi, Divan Bahadur K. M. Zaveri, Dr. A. D. Pusalkar, S/Shri Arvind Mafatlal, Harsiddhabhai Divetia, Vallabhji Ramji, Jagjivandas Dosabhai, R. K. Dalal, M. N. Bhagvati, P. N. Shastri, B. M. Kamdar, Prof. H. D. Velinkar, Justice S. M. Shah, Smt. Sumatiben.
- (b) **Manuscripts :** 1404 palm leaf and paper manuscripts in Gujarati, Sanskrit, Burmese and Persian languages relating to history, archaeology, literature, education, etc.
- (c) **Others :** Photo album, video-cassettes highlighting important activities of Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan.

Finding Aids :

Published *Catalogue of Rare Manuscripts* is available.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars with prior permission and payment of prescribed fees.

Significant Holdings :

- (i) *Malalankar Jatak* (Burmese manuscript)
(ii) *Kalapi No Kekarav* (Gujarati manuscript)

Address : Munshi Sadan, Kulapati K. M. Munshi Marg, Bombay-400 007.

CENTRAL LIBRARY (THE ASIATIC SOCIETY OF BOMBAY)

Established : 1804

Status : Public

Brief History and Activities :

The Asiatic Society of Bombay was established in 1804. Its Library grew up from a small collection of Medical and Literary Library of Bombay, which was purchased by the Society in 1805. In 1946, it was recognised by the Government as a Central Library for the Province of Bombay and started receiving copies of publications under the Press and Registration of Books Act, 1867. It is also recognised by the Government of India as one of the depository libraries under the Delivery of Books and Newspapers (Public Libraries) Act, 1954. Besides, the United Nations Organisation (U.N.O.) publications are also deposited in the Central Library as part of an agreement. The Library has a good collection of books on history, geology, art, biography, literature, etc. and a valuable collection of manuscripts. The Society has brought out a large number of publications in the form of monographs and publishes a journal.

Collection(s)

- (a) **Newspapers etc. :** 900 collection of newspapers in all Indian languages dating back to 1886 viz.
- (i) *Times of India*, English-Daily (1886-1988);
 - (ii) *Induprakash*.
- (b) **Manuscripts :** 2,100 manuscripts relating to history, literature, geology and canonical texts.
- (c) **Microfilms :** 500 microfilm rolls of material acquired from various agencies.

Finding Aids : *Catalogues* to the holdings of the Library are available.

Access : Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities : Facilities for xeroxing, microfilm reader and microfilming are available.

Significant Holdings :

- (i) *Shahnama* (illustrated manuscript);
- (ii) *Aranyaka Parvan* (manuscript);
- (iii) *Divine Comedy* by Dante (manuscript composed in 1307 A.D.).

Address : Town Hall, Bambay-400 023

**CENTRAL RECORDS AND DOCUMENTATION
CENTRE (RESERVE BANK OF INDIA)**

Established : 1981

Status : Public

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Centre set up by the Reserve Bank of India in 1981 is a repository of non-current permanent records of the Reserve Bank of India. It preserves records scientifically.

Collection(s)

Records/Documents : 38,585 files and 13,245 registers of Reserve Bank of India (Central Office), Bombay and its 18 branches located in Ahmedabad, Bangalore, Bhubaneswar, Bhopal, Bombay, Calcutta, Guwahati, Hyderabad, Indore, Jaipur, Kanpur, Lucknow, Madras, Nagpur, New Delhi, Patna and Thiruvananthapuram.

Finding Aids :

Index (manuscript) are available.

Access :

The holdings can be consulted by scholars with prior permission.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for typing and xeroxing are available.

Address : Ganeshkhind Road, Pune-411 016.

CHANDMAL TARACHAND BORA COLLEGE

Established : 1968

Status : Private

Brief History and Activities :

The College was established in 1968 and it is affiliated to Poona University. Besides teaching, it also provides research facilities in subjects like English, Hindi, Marathi, History, Economics, etc. It has 168 manuscripts and collection of artefacts, bronzes, arms, etc.

Collection(s)

Manuscripts :

168 manuscripts in Sanskrit, Hindi, Prakrit, Marathi languages relating to literature, religion, astrology, etc.

Finding Aids :

List of manuscripts is available.

Access :

The Collection can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

Facility of microfilm reader is available.

Significant Holdings :

- (i) *Gyanbhaskar Stotra* by Laxmindra Bhatt (Sanskrit manuscript.)
- (ii) *Povada* by Dimbh Muni (Prakrit manuscript).

Address : Shirur-413 249.

CORPS OF ENGINEERS ARCHIVES AND MUSEUM

Established : 1969

Status : Public

Brief History and Activities :

The Archives was established in 1969 to preserve historical records relating to the Corps of Engineers which was established in 1840. It is located in the campus of the College of Military Engineering at Pune. The Archives has in its custody old files, personal reminiscences of retired officers of the Corps, photographs, etc. The Corps has a publication programme and bring out official journals viz. *I.M.E. Journal* and *C.M.E. Weekly*.

Collection(s)

- (a) **Records/Documents :** Old files pertaining to Corps of Engineers, 1840 onwards.
- (b) **Newspapers, etc. :** Press clippings pertaining to the role of Engineers from various newspapers.
- (c) **Private Papers :** Personal reminiscences of the retired officers of Corps of Engineers, U.S. Army Engineers and ex-British Officers who participated in World War I.
- (d) **Others :** Photographs covering different activities of Engineer Formation units; audio-visual records, etc.

Finding Aids :

Catalogue of holdings is under preparation.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by Defence Services Officers and their families.

Address : College of Military Engineering, Pune-411 031.

DASOPANT SANSHODHAN MANDAL

Established : 1985

Status : Public Trust

Brief History and Activities :

The Institute was set up in the memory of Saint Dasopant (1551-1613), who propagated the Bhakti cult of Anand Sampradaya and author of a number of treatises on various subjects. It is engaged in unearthing voluminous writings of the Saint and also encourages research on the life and works of Saint Dasopant. Besides, it has undertaken a publication programme on life and teachings of the Saint.

Collection(s)

(a) **Records/Documents ;**

Sanads, conferment of rights and gifts of land given to Saint Dasopant.

(b) **Manuscripts :**

Manuscript of the works of Saint Dasopant.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars with prior permission.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for lodging are available.

Significant Holdings :

- (i) *Pasodi* (manuscript written on cloth pertaining to *Vedanta* theme of Pancheeakaran);
- (ii) *Geetarnava* by Dasopant (manuscript containing commentary on Geeta).

Address : Dhakate Deoghar, Ambajogai, Beed-431 517.

**DECCAN COLLEGE POST-GRADUATE AND
RESEARCH INSTITUTE**

Established : 1821

Status : Semi-Public

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The College was established in 1821 as **Poona Sanskrit College**. In 1851 it was rechristened as **Poona College**. The College, in 1934 was closed down owing to financial stringency, but was revived in August 1939 as a **Post-Graduate and Research Institute** for promoting higher learning and research in Indology and Social Sciences. Since then the Institute has taken up research programmes in linguistics and classical Indian languages, anthropology and sociology, Maratha history and ancient Indian history, culture and archaeology, The Library of Institute has in its custody about 1,15,000 books and journals. The Institute has a regular publication programme in the field of linguistics, sociology, anthropology, history, archaeology, and brings out a journal entitled *Bulletin of the Deccan College* (1939 onwards).

Collection(s)

(a) Records/Documents :

- (i) Menavali Daftar, 1750-1818, 102 bundles;
- (ii) Bivalkar Daftar, 1780-1960, 5 bundles;
- (iii) Old maps and plans, 40;
- (iv) Miscellaneous Modi documents, 70,000.

(b) Private Papers :

- (i) Nandurbar Desai Collection, 1780-1900, 19 bundles;
- (ii) Jagtap Collection, 1700-1800, 13 bundles;
- (iii) Nipani Desai Papers, 1800-1850, 10 bundles;
- (iv) Natu Collection, 1850-1900 containing 84 Accounts Books;
- (v) Macartney Collection, 1780-1785, 17 bundles.

(c) Manuscripts : 12,000 manuscripts in English, Marathi, Sanskrit and Persian.

(d) Microfilms/Others : (i) 15 rolls containing Modi documents relating to family history of Maratha chiefs, (18th-19th century)
(ii) 500 rolls containing rare books and micro-cards, microfische, etc.

Access : Collections can be consulted by scholars as per rules.

Services/Facilities : Facilities for lodging are available.

Address : Yerawada, Pune-411 006.

DEPARTMENT OF KANNADA (UNIVERSITY OF BOMBAY)

Established : 1979

Status : Semi-Public

Brief History and Activities :

The Department imparts teaching facilities for M.A., M.Phil and Ph.D. programmes in Kannada as well as conducts certificates course in Kannada for the benefit of non-Kannadigas. It has publication programme and has published 10 titles.

Collection(s)

- (a) **Records/Documents :** Documents in Kannada language dealing with various aspects of Christianity, 18th century.
- (b) **Newspapers, etc. :** *Nudi Weekly*, Kannada 1947-1950.
- (c) **Private Papers :** Collection of :
- (i) M. Govind Pai;
 - (ii) C. M. Kulkarni;
 - (iii) M. P. Poojari;
 - (iv) Pejavar Sadashiv Rao;
 - (v) Bidaram Krishnappa;
 - (vi) J. Vamana Bhatta;
 - (vii) J. F. Fleet's Collection of Kannada Ballads;
 - (viii) Miscellaneous papers of eminent literatures.

Finding Aids : Index to the Collections is available.

Access : Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities : Facilities for xeroxing, typing and translation are available.

Significant Holdings :

- (i) *Yakshagana* (Kananada manuscript, 1805 A.D.)
- (ii) J. F. Fleet's Collection of Kannada Ballads, 1870-1880.

Address : University of Bombay, Vidyanagari, Santacruz (East), Bombay-400 098.

**GOKHALE INSTITUTE OF POLITICS AND
ECONOMICS**

Established : 1930

Status : Private

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Institute was established in June 1930 through an endowment to the Servants of India Society from Late Rao Bahadur R. R. Kale. It conducts research in economic and political problems of India and is recognized by the University Grants Commission as a Centre for Advanced Study in Economics. The Institute has a regular publication programme and brings out a quarterly journal *Artha Vijnana*.

Collection(s)

Microfilms :

Microfilm rolls containing :

- (i) Imperial Gazetteer, 1883-1934, 103 rolls;
- (ii) Census of India, 1872-1951, 101 rolls;
- (iii) Miscellaneous material, 383 rolls.

Access :

The Collection can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for xeroxing and microfilm reader are available. Lodging facilities are also available.

Address : Deccan Gymkhana, Pune-411 004.

GOVERNMENT DIVISIONAL LIBRARY

Established : 1946

Status : Public

Brief History and Activities :

The Library was established in 1946 by the Government of Bombay. It receives publications under Press and Registration of Books Act, 1923, Bombay and has also purchased personal libraries of eminent Marathi scholars viz. Shri S. G. Date, Shri J. R. Ajgaonkar and Shri Khase-rao Savant. It also has a collection of manuscripts in Marathi.

Collection(s)

(a) **Newspapers, etc. :** 25 collections of newspapers in Marathi and English dating back to 1914 viz.

(i) *Kesari*, Marathi-Daily (1922-1984);

(ii) *Lokmanya*, Marathi-Daily (1939-1953);

(iii) *Kal*, Marathi-Weekly (1940-1950);

(iv) *Dhyaprakash*, Marathi-Daily (1914-1950).

(b) **Manuscripts :**

Manuscripts of literary works of eminent Marathi scholars, viz. Shri S. G. Date, Shri J. R. Ajgaonkar and Shri Khase-rao Savant.

Finding Aids :

List of holdings is available.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Significant Holdings :

Genealogical Tree of Bhosalas by Mahadeo Ganesh Dongre (1905).

Address : 796, Sadashiv Peth, Vishrambagwada, Pune-411 030.

**HERAS INSTITUTE OF INDIAN HISTORY AND
CULTURE**

Founded : 1926

Status : Private

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Heras Institute was founded by late Fr. H. Heras in 1926 as an Indian Historical Research Institute for the benefit of students doing research in Indian History and Ancient Indian Culture. In 1955 it was named after Fr. Heras. A Library and a Museum are attached to the Institute. The Institute has a Library having more than 20,000 published books and learned journals. It organises seminars and symposia on various aspects of Indian history and culture. The Institute brings out its research journal *Indica*.

Collection(s)

(a) **Newspapers, etc. :** *The Examiner* (Bombay) English-Weekly (1903-1989) 3,200 issues.

(b) **Microfilms :** 13 microfilm rolls obtained from the British Museum, London which include :

- (i) Egerton Manuscripts, 4 rolls;
- (ii) Additional Manuscripts, 2 rolls; and
- (iii) Asia Extrema, 2 rolls.

Access : Collections can be consulted by scholars with prior permission.

Services/Facilities : Microfilm reader is available.

Address : St. Xavier's College, Mahapalika Marg, Bombay-400 001.

H.P.T. ARTS AND R.Y.K. SCIENCE COLLEGE

Established : 1924

Status : Private

Brief History and Activities :

The College was established in 1924 and was originally affiliated to the University of Bombay. Since 1948 it is affiliated to the University of Poona. The College has in its possession valuable Sanskrit manuscripts.

Collection(s)

Manuscripts :

Sanskrit manuscripts on various aspects of Indology are available.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for typing and xeroxing are available. The holdings of College's Library can be loaned to institutions. Lodging facilities are also available.

Address : Vidyanagar, Nashik-422 005.

INSTITUTE FOR ORIENTAL STUDY

Established : 1983

Status : Public Trust

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Institute is a voluntary organisation working for the promotion of Indian culture, history and Sanskrit language. The Library of the Institute has in its possession 12,000 printed books and 2,500 manuscripts. The Institute organises seminars, slide and film shows and conducts study tours to historical places and cultural centres. It also conducts Diploma courses in Yoga and Ayurveda.

Collection(s)

Manuscripts :

2,500 paper manuscripts in Sanskrit language relating to Indological subjects.

Access :

The Collection can be consulted by scholars.

Address : "Shivshakti" Dr. Bedekar's Hospital, Maharshi Karve Road, Naupada, Thane (West)-400 602.

I. V. K. RAJWADE SANSHODHAN MANDAL**Established : 1927****Status : Semi-Public****Brief History and Activities :**

The Institute was established in 1927 as a memorial to Prof. V. K. Rajwade (d. 1926), an eminent historian, who was also an avid collector of old manuscripts. Its Library has in its custody more than 4,500 books and journals. The Museum attached to it has galleries for historical papers, tribal culture, artefacts, copper plates, miniature paintings, coins, etc. The Institute has more than 5,000 manuscripts (15th-16th centuries). Under its publication programme it has so far published 34 titles and brings out a quarterly journal entitled *Sanshodhak* (1932 onwards).

Collection(s)

- (a) **Records/Documents :** Records in Marathi pertaining to :
(i) Purandare Daftar;
(ii) Nandurbar Daftar.
- (b) **Newspapers, etc. :** (i) *Aryawarta*, Marathi-Weekly;
(ii) *Prabodh*, Marathi-Weekly;
(iii) *Khandesh*, Marathi-Weekly;
(iv) *Vaibhav*, Marathi-Weekly;
(v) *Poorva Nimad Samachar*, Marathi-Fortnightly.
- (c) **Private Papers :** Lokhitawadi Gopal Hari Deshmukh Collection.
- (d) **Manuscripts :** 5,000 manuscripts in Sanskrit and Marathi relating to mythology, medicine, history astrology, etc. (15th-16th centuries).

Finding Aids : Reference Media to its holdings are available.

Access : Collections can be consulted by scholars with prior permission.

Services/Facilities : Facilities for typing and xeroxing are available.

Significant Holdings : (i) *Chhatrapati Shivaji's 109 Kalami Bakhars*
(ii) *Dhatukosh* (Sanskrit manuscript)

Address : Lane No. 1, Rajwade Path, Dhule-424 001.

JAYAKAR LIBRARY

Established : 1949

Status : Public

Brief History and Activities :

The Library as an adjunct of the University of Poona has in its possession about 4,000 manuscripts pertaining to various subjects. The Library has brought out publications comprising of *Catalogue of Manuscripts* in its custody and a *Directory* and *Bibliography* on Environment.

Collection(s)

- (a) **Records/Documents :** Marathi Documents pertaining to early 18th century and relating to Tarabai.
- (b) **Private Papers :** (i) Sathe Collection comprising of *Rojanishi* (Diaries)
(ii) Marathe Collection comprising of press clippings.
- (c) **Manuscripts :** 4,000 manuscripts on various aspects of Indology.
- (d) **Microfilms :** Microfilm rolls containing manuscripts viz. *Dhyana prakasha* and *Vividh Dhyana Vistar*.

Finding Aids : Published *Catalogue of Manuscripts* is available.

Access : Collections can be consulted by scholars with prior permission.

Services/Facilities : Facilities for xeroxing, microfilming and lodging are available.

Significant Holdings : *Ketaki Griha Ganit* (manuscripts dealing with astronomy).

Address : University of Poona, Ganeshkhind, Pune-411 007.

KESARI-MAHRATTA TRUST

Established : 1920.

Status : Public Trust

Brief History and Activities :

The Trust was established after the will of Lokmanya Bal Gangadhar Tilak. *Kesari*, the leading Marathi daily of Maharashtra and the English newspaper *Mahratta* were founded by Lokmanya Tilak in January 1881 as weeklies for inspiring the people for the struggle for national liberation.

Collection(s)

- (a) Newspapers, etc. : (i) *The Kesari*, Marathi-Weekly (1881-1988);
(ii) *The Mahratta*, English-Weekly (1881-1950);
(iii) *Sahyadri*, Marathi-Monthly (1935-1957; 1964-1977).

(b) Private Papers : Lokmanya Bal Gangadhar Tilak Papers.

(c) Microfilms : Microfilm rolls containing :

- (i) *The Kesari*, Marathi-Daily (1881-1988);
(ii) *The Mahratta*, English-Daily, (1881-1950).

Access : The Collection can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities : Facilities for xeroxing are available.

Address : 568, Narayan Peth, Pune-411 030.

K. R. CAMA ORIENTAL INSTITUTE

Established : 1916

Status : Public Trust

Brief History and Activities :

The Institute was established in 1916 in the memory of Kharshedji Rustomji Cama (1831-1909), a renowned scholar, social reformer and an educationist. It is engaged in promoting oriental studies and research in history, culture, architecture, literature and Zoroastrian religion. The Library of the Institute holds 14,675 books and 1,674 manuscripts. The Institute has published many titles dealing with oriental studies. Besides, it also brings out an annual journal entitled *Journal*.

Collection(s)

Manuscripts :

1,674 manuscripts relating to astronomy, astrology, grammar, history, religion, medicine, etc. dating back to 358 A. H. (968 A. D.).

Finding Aids :

Typed list of the manuscripts is available.

Access :

The Collection can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

Xeroxing facility is available with the prior permission of the Trustees. Facility for translation is also available.

Significant Holdings :

- (i) *Diwan-i-Hafiz* (Persian manuscript) 964 A. H. (1594 A. D.).
- (ii) *Ardai Viraf Nameh* (illustrated Persian manuscript) 1627 A. D.
- (iii) *Khordesh Avesta* by Kamaji Rustomji (Gujarati manuscript on Zoroastrian religion) 1799 A.D.

Address : 136, Bombay Samachar Marg, Bombay-400 023.

MAHARASHTRA GRANTHOTTEJAK SANSTHA

Established : 1894

Status : Public Trust

Brief History and Activities :

Bal Gangadhar Tilak, M. G. Ranade, R. G. Bhandarkar, Hari Narayan Apte, and others established the Sanstha in 1894 as the Deccan Vernacular Translation Society to promote Marathi language and literature. In 1947 the Society became the present Sanstha. It has a Library containing 5,000 books. Besides, it also has a publication programme and publishes a quarterly *Nutan Bharat Varsh*.

Collection(s)

(a) **Records/Documents :**

2 files of correspondence with authors of various Marathi Books, 1890-1940.

(b) **Private Papers :**

Justice M. G. Ranade Papers, 1895-1913 (10 files). This includes his correspondence with Government of Bombay regarding publication of *Peshwa Daftar* series.

Finding Aids :

Manuscript copies of the 'Catalogue of Books' (4 Volumes) are available.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars on payment of prescribed fees.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for translation are available.

Address : 1133, Sadashiv Peth, Pune-411 030.

MANI BHAVAN GANDHI SANGRAHALAYA

Established : 1958

Status : Public Trust

Brief History and Activities :

The Sangrahalaya was established in 1958 as a Memorial to Mahatma Gandhi. It has in its custody photocopies of 24,000 letters of Mahatma Gandhi and newspapers and journals edited by him or with which he was actively associated. The Sangrahalaya has a regular publication programme based on Gandhian literature. The Library attached to the Sangrahalaya has in its custody more than 35,000 volumes on Gandhian literature.

Collection(s)

- (a) Newspapers, etc. :** (i) *Indian Opinion*, (English);
(ii) *Navjivan*, (Gujarati);
(iii) *Young India*, (English);
(iv) *Harijan*, (English/Hindi).

(b) Private Papers : Mahatma Gandhi's Correspondence (photocopies—24,000 pages).

(c) Others : Photographs/Films, Philatelic Collection on Mahatma Gandhi (full set).

Finding Aids : Accession Register and Card Catalogues are available.

Access : Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities : Microfilm reader is available.

Address : 19, Laburnum Road, Gamdevi, Bombay-400 007.

RAJA DINKAR KELKAR MUSEUM

Established : 1962

Status : Public

Brief History and Activities :

The Museum was established in 1962 by Dr. Dinker Gangadhar Kelkar in memory of his son Raja. It has a regular publication programme and has a Library for reference purposes.

Collection(s)

Records/Documents :

- (i) Correspondence of Peshwas : principal correspondents—Madhav Rao Peshwa, Balaji Baji Rao, Chhatrapati Shahu Maharaj, Malhar Rao Holkar, etc.
- (ii) *Farman* of Shahjahan.

Access :

Collections in the Museum can be consulted by scholars with prior permission.

Address : 1378, Shukrawar Peth, Natu Bag, Raja Kelkar Museum Street, Pune-411 002.

SHARDASHRAM

Established : 1926

Status : Public Trust

Brief History and Activities :

This Institute was established by Dr. Y. K. Deshpande, a noted manuscript collector of Vidarbha (old Berar). It has in its custody manuscripts, coins and other artefacts. The Institute provides facilities to research scholars and also has a Library. It has brought out many publications on folklore, literature and religion in Marathi, English and Sanskrit languages.

Collection(s)

(a) Records/Documents :

216 issues of different Marathi weeklies viz.

- (i) *Varhad Samachar*, 1874-1868;
- (ii) *Shuddha Varhadi*, 1894;
- (iii) *Prabhat*, 1896;
- (iv) *Arunodaya*, 1880-1887.

(b) Manuscripts :

130 manuscripts relating to astrology, religion, literature and philosophy.

Finding Aids :

List of manuscripts is available.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for typing, xeroxing and translation are available from outside agencies.

Significant Holdings :

- (i) *Kal Nirnaya* (manuscript on astrology);
- (ii) *Brahmand Purana* (manuscript on religion).

Address : Arni Road, Yavatmal-445 001.

SHRI AMBADEVI SANSTHAN GRANTHALAYA

Established : 1970

Status : Public

Brief History and Activities :

Established in 1970, the Library has in its custody more than 27,000 published titles on various subjects and also has 75 manuscripts dating back to 1709.

Collection(s)

Manuscripts :

75 manuscripts pertaining to religion and literature (1709-1867).

Finding Aids :

List(s) of manuscripts are available.

Access :

The books and manuscripts can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for typing and xeroxing are available.

Significant Holdings :

- (i) *Ashwalayashrouthsuthra* (manuscript);
- (ii) *Aqthamabath* (manuscript);
- (iii) *Shraddho Prayog* (manuscript).

Address : Amravati-444 605.

SHRI SAMARTH VAGDEVATA MANDIR

Established : 1935

Status : Public Trust

Brief History and Activities :

The Mandir was established by Shri S. S. Deo in the memory of Shri Samarth Ramdas, a well known saint. It is now a branch of Satkaryottejak Sabha, Dhule and is engaged in preservation, research and publication of manuscripts. It has in its custody writings of many saint-poets as well as manuscripts in Devnagri and Modi scripts. Besides, it has a publication programme and has 109 published titles to its credit.

Collection(s)

- (a) **Records/Documents :** Documents of historical interest in Sanskrit, Kannada, Gujarati and Persian languages.
- (b) **Newspapers, etc. :** *Ramdas-Ramdasi*, *Marathi-Monthly* (1915-1945).
- (c) **Manuscripts :** 3,000 manuscripts in Devnagri and Modi scripts relating to culture, religion and history.
- (d) **Others :** Transparencies of illustrations in *Geet Govinda* and *Bhagwad Gita*.

Finding Aids :

Reference Media to the holdings of the Institute are available.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for typing, xeroxing and lodging are available.

Address : Ramwadi, Agra Road, Dhule-424 001.

THE TIMES OF INDIA

Founded : 1838

Status : Private

Brief History and Activities :

The history of *The Times of India* (newspaper) can be traced back to the first issue of its predecessor *Bombay Times* and *Journal of Commerce* dated 3 November 1838. In 1860, another newspaper *Bombay Standard* (started in 1858) was amalgamated with *Bombay Times* and the nomenclature of the new issue was given as *Bombay Times and Standard*. Later in 1861, the nomenclature was further changed to *The Times of India*. *The Times of India* has since grown into an institution housing invaluable source for the history of 19th-20th century India.

Collection(s)

(a) **Newspapers, etc. :** *The Times of India* and its sister publications from 1838 onwards.

(b) **Microfilms :** Microfilm rolls containing *The Times of India* (from 1871 onwards) and its sister publications are available.

Finding Aids :

Indexes, for some issues of *The Times of India*. Bombay are available.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars with prior permission and on payment of prescribed fees.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for xeroxing are available. Microfilm rolls containing issues of *The Times of India* and its sister publications are available on payment.

Address : P. O. Box 213, Dr. D. N. Road, Bombay-400 001.

VAIDIKA SAMASHODHANA MANDAL

Established : 1928

Status : Public Trust

Brief History and Activities :

The Institute was established in 1928 in the memory of Lokmanya Bal Gangadhar Tilak. It has a Library of over 14,000 titles in Indological and Avestan literature and a collection of 14,000 manuscripts. A Centre of Avestan Studies was also set up under its auspices. The Institute has a publication programme and organises seminars and symposia on Vedic and Avestan studies.

Collection(s)

- (a) **Manuscripts :** 14,000 manuscripts in Sanskrit relating to vedic literature, philosophy, *ayurveda*, etc.
- (b) **Microfilms :** 36 rolls containing manuscripts in various collections.

Finding Aids :

Published *Catalogues* of 4,000 manuscripts are available.

Access :

Xerox copy of manuscripts can be consulted by scholars.

Significant Holdings :

- (i) *Manav Sutra Paddhati* (Sanskrit manuscript on microfilm).
- (ii) *Yagyatantrasudhanidhi* (Sanskrit manuscript on microfilm).

Address : Tilak Vidyapeeth Nagar, Gultekdi, Pune-411 037.

MANIPUR

ARCHIVAL LIBRARY OF KHELCHANDRA**Established :** 1972**Status :** Private**Brief History and Activities :**

The Library houses personal records and collection of manuscripts of Padmashri N. Khelchandra Singh. The manuscripts are in Meitei (Manipuri) and Bengali scripts and relate to astronomy, genealogy, geology, religion, etc. The records in its custody relate to the advent of the British in Manipur in the middle of the 18th century. They are copies acquired from libraries and archival repositories in India and abroad.

Collection(s)**(a) Records/Documents :**

- (i) Copies of official records/documents housed in various archival repositories in India and abroad (1835-1947);
- (ii) Administrative Reports of Manipur Agency/Manipur State.

(b) Manuscripts :

Paper manuscripts in Meitei and Bengali scripts relating to genealogy, religion, literature, astronomy, etc.

(c) Microfilms :

34 microfilm rolls containing manuscripts and records.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for translation and typing are available.

Significant Holdings :

- (i) *Cheitharol* (manuscript in Meitei script, containing royal chronicle of Manipur).
- (ii) *Khuman Kanglerion* (manuscript in Meitei script containing history of Khuman dynasty).

Address : Uripok Ningthoukhongjam, Leikai, Imphal-795 001.

MANIPUR BAPTIST CONVENTION

Established : 1928

Status : Public

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Manipur Baptist Convention was first held in 1928 at Kangpokpi. At present it has 28 Associations with 1241 churches in Manipur. The Convention has in its custody resolutions and records pertaining to its conventions and meetings. It publishes a bi-monthly newsletter entitled *Manipur Baptist Convention Newsletter*.

Collection(s)

Records/Documents : Files of Records and Resolutions passed in Manipur Baptist Convention.

Access : The Collection can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities : Facilities for translation and lodging are available.

Address : Christian Centre, Imphal-795 001.

MUTUA MUSEUM

Established : 1979

Status : Private

Brief History and Activities :

It was established in 1979 to preserve the collections of Shri Mutua Bahadur. Besides, artefacts, the Museum has in its custody manuscripts, maps and fascimile copies of stone inscriptions. The Museum has published 17 titles and organises symposia and seminars.

Collection(s)

(a) Manuscripts :

2 manuscripts viz.

- (i) *Takhel Ngamba;*
- (ii) *Nongchup Haram.*

(b) Others :

- (i) Maps of Kangla men and Kangla Paphal;
- (ii) Fascimile copies of stone inscriptions viz.
(a) Konthoujam (b) Ningal (c) Leisangkhong (d) Khoibu (e) Tarao (f) Andro (g) Chibu (h) Sanalok (i) Kumbi (j) Hachong (k) Heisanam Lairema (l) Kharam (m) Nilakuthi.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for typing, xeroxing and translation are available.

Address : Keisampat Junction, Imphal-795 001.

PEOPLE'S MUSEUM**Established :** 1981**Status :** Private**Brief History and Activities :**

The Museum was established in 1981 by Shri Mayangalambam Gourchandra. It has made significant contribution towards the preservation of cultural heritage of the State. The exhibits include, traditional ethnic artefacts of Manipur, contemporary records, documents, etc. The Museum also has in its custody ancient manuscripts in Meitei script and has brought out many publications. A Library attached to it holds more than 2,300 books and journals.

Collection(s)**(a) Records/Documents :**

Miscellaneous documents pertaining to the period 1891-1947 are available. These include :—

- (i) Applications and Orders of the Manipur Darbar;
- (ii) Kakching Panchayat Papers;
- (iii) Manipur State Darbar Papers;
- (iv) Indian National Army Documents;
- (v) Manipur State Darbar Judicial Papers;
- (vi) Krishak Sabha (a political party) Papers.
- (vii) Miscellaneous Papers on municipal services.

(b) Private Papers :

- (i) Diaries of Sougairam Samarendra, 1947-1949.
- (ii) Salungbam Atohal Singh Papers.

(c) Manuscripts :

124 manuscripts in Meitei script relating to religion, astrology, literature, mysticism, history, sociology, etc.

Finding Aids :

Catalogue of holdings are under preparation.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for translation are available.

- Significant Holdings :**
- (i) *Poireiton Khun Thokpa* (manuscript in Meitei script relating to ethnology of the people of Manipur).
 - (ii) *Subika Theithil* (an illustrated manuscript in Meitei script relating to astrology).

Address : Kakching Bazar, Kakching-795 103.

S. K. MEMORIAL MANUSCRIPT LIBRARY

Established : 1970

Status : Private

Brief History and Activities :

The Library has in its possession over 700 manuscripts in Bengali and Manipuri languages and valuable collection of books and publications pertaining to Manipur region.

Collection(s)

Manuscripts :

700 manuscripts in Bengali and Meitei scripts on literature and history of Manipur.

Finding Aids :

List of holdings is available.

Access :

The Collection can be consulted by the scholars.

Address : P. O. Salungpham, Thoubal District-795 148.

**THANGJAM CHANDRASINGH'S RESEARCH
LIBRARY**

Established : 1975

Status : Private

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Library has grown out of personal collections of Thangjam Chandrasingh. It has now in its possession 200 manuscripts and more than 600 books on the history and folklore of Manipur.

Collection(s)

(a) Records/Documents :

5 treaties in Manipuri language.

(b) Manuscripts :

200 manuscripts (33 A.D.-1947 A.D.) relating to martial arts, *tantra*, astrology and religion.

Finding Aids :

Catalogue of holdings is under preparation.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Address : Kongba Tokpam Leikai, Imphal-795 001.

MEGHALAYA

NORTH-EASTERN HILL UNIVERSITY LIBRARY

Established : 1973

Status : Public

Brief History and Activities :

The North-Eastern Hill University was established in 1973 by an Act of Parliament for the social, economic and educational development of the people of North-Eastern region of India. Its Library has acquired personal library collections of S/Shri A. L. Banerjee, Nihar Ranjan Ray, Yamunacharya, P. K. Kaula and B. B. Chatterjee. The University brings out a journal entitled *The North Eastern Hill University Journal of Social Sciences and Humanities*.

Collection(s)

(a) **Records/Documents :**

Collection of documents on Burma (details not available).

(b) **Private Papers :**

U. Tirot Singh Papers.

(c) **Microfilms :**

8 microfilm rolls containing material on subjects like physics, chemistry and space science.

Finding Aids :

Reference media to the holdings of the Library are available.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for xeroxing, microfilm reader and lodging facilities are available.

Address : Mayurbhanj Complex, Nongthymmai, Shillong-793 014.

ORISSA

ARCHIVAL CELL (POST GRADUATE DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY, BERHAMPUR UNIVERSITY)

Established : 1985

Status : Semi-Public

**Brief History and
Activities :**

Established in 1985, the Cell has in its custody palm leaf manuscripts (collected from various parts of Orissa), rare books, journals, reports, gazetteers, etc. It has taken up as well an Oral History Programme wherein interview of litterateurs, freedom fighters and social reformers of Orissa have been recorded. The Cell also carries out preservation and restoration work of archival material in its custody.

Collection(s)

(a) Manuscripts : 1,050 palm leaf and bamboo leaf manuscripts relating to literature, astronomy and religion.

(b) Others : Audio-cassettes containing interviews of litterateurs, freedom fighters and social reformers of Orissa.

Finding Aids : Published Descriptive Catalogue of *Palm Leaf Manuscripts* is available.

Access : Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities : Microfilm reader is available.

Significant Holdings : (i) *Prastabo Chintamani* (Oriya manuscript).
(ii) *Sidhanta Muktaboli* (Sanskrit manuscript).

Address : Bhanja Vihar, Berhampur-760 004.

KEDARANATHA GAVESHANA PRATISTHAN**Established :** 1982**Status :** Public Trust**Brief History and Activities :**

This Institute was established in 1982 in the memory of the late Shri Kedaranatha Mahapatra, a noted historian, litterateur and an archaeologist. It has in its custody palm leaf manuscripts and has brought out a number of publications.

Collection(s)

(a) **Private Papers :** Shri Kedaranatha Mahapatra Collections, 1946-1979, 34 Volumes.

(b) **Manscripts :** Palm leaf manuscripts pertaining to Vedic literature, *tantra*, astrology, *ayurveda*, religion, etc.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for typing, xeroxing and translation are available.

Significant Holdings :

- (i) *Gangavamsha Charitavali* (Oriya manuscript);
- (ii) *Sri Jagannath Charitamrutam* (Oriya manuscript).

Address : Kedara Gauri Marg, Bhubaneswar-751 002.

LITERACY HOME

Established : 1984

Status : Registered Society

Brief History and Activities :

The Institute was established in 1984 and got registered in 1988. It is a voluntary organisation working for the development and uplift of weaker sections of society in Ganjam, Phulbani and Koraput districts of Orissa. It also organises seminars, workshops and training for the benefit of weaker sections of the society. It is engaged as well in acquiring and preserving old palm leaf manuscripts.

Collection(s)**Manuscripts :**

266 palm leaf manuscripts in Oriya and Sanskrit languages relating to religion and literature.

Finding Aids :

List of manuscripts is available.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars with prior permission.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for typing, xeroxing and translation are available. Lodging facilities are also available.

Significant Holdings :

- (i) *Sri Bhagabata Aranyaka Parba* by Sudramuni Sarala Das (palm leaf manuscript in Oriya language relating to religion, 1846 A.D.).
- (ii) *Magha Mahatmya* by Krishna Das (palm leaf manuscript in Oriya language relating to literature, 1897 A.D.).

Address : Tulasi Nagar, Berhampur-760 001.

SRI AUROBINDO SANGRAHALAY

Established : 1959

Status : Private

Brief History and Activities :

The Sangrahalay was established in 1959 by Shri Dasarathi Pattanaik and got registered in 1973. It has in its custody sculptures, coins, artefacts and anthropological objects. The Library of the Sangrahalay houses more than 30,000 books and periodicals, besides 5,000 palm leaf manuscripts and some records of the feudatory states of Orissa. The Sangrahalay organises cultural and literary conferences and seminars and extends financial assistance to needy artists and writers. It brings out souvenirs, brochures, etc. and also published biographical sketch of distinguished persons of Orissa.

Collection(s)

(a) Records/Documents :

Records of Feudatory states of Orissa.

(b) Newspapers, etc. : 21 newspaper collections (including dailies/weeklies) viz.

(i) *Kalinga*, Oriya-Daily (complete set);

(ii) *Prajatantra*, Oriya-Daily;

(iii) *Samaj*, Oriya-Daily.

(c) Manuscripts :

5,000 palm leaf manuscripts in Oriya script relating to literature and religion (including a few illustrated manuscripts).

Finding Aids :

Indexes, Lists and Catalogues of holdings are available.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for xeroxing and typing are available. Free lodging facilities are also available.

Significant Holdings :

(i) *Gita Govind* (Oriya manuscript on palm leaf containing illustrations).

(ii) *Sobhabati Kabya* (Oriya manuscript on palm leaf containing illustrations).

Address : Udayapur, Nuagaon-752 083.

SRI MADAN MOHAN JEW YUBAK SANGHA

Established : 1966

Status : Private

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Sangha was established by the residents of the Jaleswar Brahmapur village for inculcating cultural and literary consciousness amongst the younger generation. A Library "Madan Mohan Pathagar" was established in 1971 by the Sangha for the benefit of the students. It has in its custody palm leaf manuscripts on medicine, mythology, philosophy, etc.

Collection(s)

Manuscripts :

450 palm leaf manuscripts in Sanskrit and Oriya languages relating to medicine, mythology, philosophy, etc.

Finding Aids :

List of manuscripts is available.

Access :

The Collection can be consulted by scholars.

Address : Jaleswar Brahmapur, P. O. Udaypur, Cuttack-755 017.

PONDICHERRY

FRENCH INSTITUTE OF PONDICHERRY

Established : 1955

Status : Public

Brief History and Activities :

The Institute was established in 1955 under the Indo-French Treaty of Cession of the French Settlements in India. It has three Departments, viz. Departments of Ecology, Indology, and Social Sciences. It has in its custody French sources on Indian history in the form of reports, memoirs and travel accounts.

Collection(s)

(a) Records/Documents :

(i) Collection(s) of French sources on Indian history comprising of reports, memoirs and travel accounts (17th century onwards).

(ii) Calendar of Proceedings of the Government of French India (18th century).

(b) Microfilms :

Microfilm rolls on French sources of Indian history.

Finding Aids :

Card Catalogues of the holdings are available.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars with prior permission.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for xeroxing and microfilm reader are available.

Address : 10, St. Louis Street, P. O. Box No. 33, Pondicherry-605 001.

**MAHAKAVI BHARATHIAR MEMORIAL MUSEUM
CUM RESEARCH CENTRE**

Established : 1972

Status : Public

**Brief History and
Activities :**

A Museum depicting the life and works of Poet Bharathiar alongwith a Library to house personal collections of the Poet Bharathiar was established in 1972. In 1984 it was converted into a Research Centre for conducting research on the life and works of the Poet. The Institute has in its custody manuscripts, journals, books, photographs pertaining to the life and works of the Poet.

Collection(s)

(a) Private Papers : Mahakavi Bharathiar Collection.

(b) Microfilms : 5 microfilm rolls containing works of Mahakavi Bharathiar (1920—1928).

Finding Aids :

Accession Registers of the collection are available.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Address : 20, Eswaram Dharmaraja Koil Street, Pondicherry-605 001.

**PAVENTHAR BHARATHIDASAN MEMORIAL CUM
RESEARCH CENTRE**

Established : 1971

Status : Public

Brief History and Activities : A Museum depicting the life and works of Poet Bharathidasan alongwith a Library was established in 1971. In 1984 it was converted into a Research Centre for conducting research on the life and works of the Poet. The Centre has in its custody manuscripts, journals, books, micro-films and photographs either collected by Bharathidasan or having bearing on the life and works of the Poet. The Centre has also in its custody audio-recordings of reminiscences of persons on the Poet.

Collection(s)

(a) **Private Papers :** Bharathidasan Collection comprising of letters, photographs, manuscripts, etc.

(b) **Others :** Audio-recordings of the reminiscences of persons on Bharathidasan.

Finding Aids : Accession Registers of the Collection are available.

Access : Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Address : 95, Perumal Koil Street, Pondicherry-605 001.

**SRI AUROBINDO ARCHIVES AND RESEARCH
LIBRARY**

Established : 1973

Status : Private

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Library was established in 1973 to collect, collate, preserve and conduct research on the original writings, letters and other papers of Sri Aurobindo and the Mother. It has in its custody old files of newspapers and journals edited by Sri Aurobindo.

Collection(s)

- (a) **Newspapers, etc. :**
- (i) *Bande Mataram*, English-Daily/Weekly (1906-1908);
 - (ii) *Karmayogin*, English-Weekly (1909-1916);
 - (iii) *Dharma*, Bengali-Weekly (1904-1950).
- (b) **Private Papers :**
- (i) Sri Aurobindo Collection, 1890-1950;
 - (ii) The Mother's Collection, 1893-1973.
- (c) **Microfilms :** Microfilm rolls containing newspapers; Sri Aurobindo Collection; and the Mother's Collection.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars with prior permission of Sri Aurobindo Ashram Trust.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for xeroxing, microfilm reader and lodging are available.

Address : Sri Aurobindo Ashram, Pondicherry-605 002.

PUNJAB

CENTRAL SIKH MUSEUM

Established : 1957

Status : Private

Brief History and Activities :

The Museum was established in 1957 by Shiromani Gurudwara Prabandhak Committee, Amritsar to house relics pertaining to the history of the Sikhs. The exhibits in the Museum include arms and armour, paintings illustrating the Sikh history, letters of the Gurus, manuscripts in Gurmukhi, coins, musical instruments. The Reference Library of the Museum extends facilities to students and research scholars.

Collection(s)

(a) Private Papers : Letters of the Sikh Gurus.

(b) Manuscripts : Manuscripts mainly in Gurmukhi pertaining to the Sikh religion and history (18th century).

Access : Collection can be consulted by scholars with prior permission.

Address : Clock Tower, Golden Temple, Amritsar-143 001.

KHALSA COLLEGE LIBRARY

Established : 1892

Status : Private

Brief History and Activities :

The College was established in 1892 with the objective to educate the Sikh youth about the tenets of the Sikh religion. A separate Sikh History Research Department is attached to the Library for the benefit of research scholars. The Library of the College has in its custody newspapers and rare manuscripts pertaining to the Sikh religion and history.

Collection(s)

- (a) Newspapers, etc. :** 35 newspapers/journals in English, Urdu, Punjabi languages, (1904-1976) viz :
- (i) *Akali*, Urdu-Daily (1924-1948);
 - (ii) *Feteh*, Punjabi-Daily (1930-1946);
 - (iii) *Khalsa*, English-Daily (1929-1935);
 - (iv) *Times of India*, English-Daily (1923-1945);
 - (v) *Sikhs and Sikhism*, English-Daily (1918-1947).

- (b) Manuscripts :** Manuscripts pertaining to the Sikh history and religion in Urdu, Persian, Punjabi and Sanskrit languages.

Finding Aids : Published *Catalogues of Manuscripts* are available.

Access : Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities : Facilities for typing, microfilm reader and xeroxing are available. Lodging facilities are also available.

- Significant Holdings :**
- (i) *Aijaz-i-Khusro* by Maulvi Sabullah (Persian manuscript pertaining to poetry, 1814 A.D.).
 - (ii) *Tarikh-i-Dilkusha-i-Shamsher Khani* (Persian manuscript relating to history of Iran, 1658 A.D.).

Address : Khalsa College, Amritsar-143 001.

VISHVESHVARANAND VEDIC RESEARCH INSTITUTE

Established : 1903

Status : Private

Brief History and Activities :

The Institute was established by the late Swami Vishveshvaranand and the late Nityanand for preparing a Vedic lexicon. It was originally located in Shimla but was shifted to Hoshiarpur in 1947. It conducts research in the field of Vedic literature and lexicography, linguistics, philosophy and religion. It has published more than 800 research and popular titles on the Vedic literature and Indology. Its Library has more than one lakh titles and 8,395 manuscripts including 4,000 palm leaf manuscripts in various Indian scripts. Besides, the Institute brings out research journals viz. *Vishva Jyoti* (Hindi), *Visva Samskr̥tam* (Sanskrit).

Collection(s)

(a) Records/Documents :

Files containing correspondence of academic interest relating to Indology and Vedic Studies, 1940 onwards.

(b) Manuscripts :

8,395 manuscripts including a few on palm leaf in various South Indian scripts relating to language and literature, religion and philosophy, etc.

Finding Aids :

Published *Catalogue of Manuscripts* is available.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for xeroxing and typing are available. Lodging facilities are also available. Rare books and manuscripts are also loaned to institutions for the benefit of scholars.

Address : P. O. Sadhu Ashram Hoshiarpur-146 021.

**VISHVESHVARANAND VISHVA BANDHU INSTITUTE
OF SANSKRIT AND INDOLOGICAL STUDIES
(PANJAB UNIVERSITY)**

Established : 1965

Status : Autonomous

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Institute dedicated to the memory of Acharya Dr. Vishva Bandhu was set up in 1965. It imparts education in Sanskrit for the students of M.A. as well as organises teaching programmes in Sanskrit on traditional lines for Shastri and Acharya courses. Its Library has in its custody over a lakh volumes, books and journals pertaining to Sanskrit and Indological studies. It also has a valuable collection of 10,000 manuscripts in Sharda, Malayalam, Assamese, Maithili, Gurmukhi and Urdu scripts. It brings out publications on linguistics, history and Vedic literature and publishes a bi-annual journal entitled *Vishveshvaranand Indological Journal*.

Collection(s)

- (a) **Manuscripts :** 10,000 manuscripts in palm leaf, birch bark and paper in Sharda, Malayalam, Assamese, Maithili, Gurmukhi scripts on astrology, *tantra*, literature, religion, linguistics, etc.
- (b) **Microfilms :** 4 microfilm rolls containing manuscripts viz., *Vakya-Padiya-Vyakhya*; *Rajatarangini* of Jona-
raja; *Nrsimha-Karika*; and *Ashvalayana Srauta Sutra Vyakhya*.

Access : Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities : Facilities for xeroxing, microfilm reader and inter-library loan are available.

Address : P. O. Sadhu Ashram, Hoshiarpur-146 021.

RAJASTHAN

ANUP SANSKRIT LIBRARY

Founded : 1669

Status : Private

Brief History and Activities :

The Library was established with a collection of manuscripts of Maharaja Anup Singh (1669-1698) of Bikaner who was also a scholar of Sanskrit language. The Library has in its possession over 7,500 manuscripts relating to Vedic literature, music, philosophy, astrology, etc.

Collection(s)

Manuscripts :

7,595 manuscripts in Hindi, Sanskrit and Rajasthani languages, pertaining to history, astrology, philosophy, music, Vedic literature, etc. (13th century onwards).

Finding Aids :

Manuscript Catalogue of Manuscripts is available. *Catalogues* are also under print.

Access :

The Collection can be consulted by scholars with prior permission.

Address : Lalgah Palace, Bikaner-334 001.

BHARTIYA VIDYA MANDIR SHODH PRATISHTHAN

Established : 1957

Status : Public Trust

Brief History and Activities :

The Institute was established to unearth valuable manuscripts in Rajasthan and also to document and carry out research into various aspects of its folk literature. It functions under the auspices of Girdhardas Mundhra Shikshan Sansthan Management Committee, Calcutta. The Library of the Institute has a rich collection of rare books and manuscripts pertaining to literature and history of Rajasthan region. The Institute brings out a quarterly journal *Vaichariki* and organises symposia on literature and folklore of Rajasthan.

Collection(s)

Manuscripts :

901 manuscripts relating to the history and literature of Rajasthan region.

Access :

The Collection can be consulted by scholars.

Address : Shri Ratan Bihariji Park, Bikaner-334 001.

BIRLA MUSEUM

Established : 1954

Status : Private

**Brief History and
Activities :**

Birla Museum is the first technological museum to be established in India. It was set up to provide information to people from all walks of life regarding trends and development in modern science and technology. The Museum organises exhibitions, popular lectures, debates and symposia.

Collection(s)

Private Papers :

Correspondence between Mahatma Gandhi and Shri G.D. Birla, 1924-1947.

Finding Aids :

The correspondence has been published by Shri G. D. Birla in *Bapu Ki Prem Prasadi* Volumes I-IV and *Bapu—A Unique Association*, Volumes I-IV.

Services/Facilities :

The facilities for lodging are available.

Address : Vidya Vihar, Pilani-333 031.

HINDI VISWA BHARATI ANUSANDHAN PARISHAD

Established : 1957

Status : Public

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Institute was established to conduct research in Sanskrit, Hindi and Rajasthani literature. The Research Library of the Institute attracts scholars conducting research in archaeology, history, literature and culture. It brings out a quarterly journal and organises seminars and symposia.

Collection(s)

Manuscripts :

Manuscripts relating to Sanskrit, Hindi and Rajasthani literature are available.

Finding Aids :

Catalogue of manuscripts is under compilation.

Access :

The Collection can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for typing and translation are available.

Address : Nagari Bhandar, Bikaner-334 001.

JAIN VISHVA BHARATI

Established : 1970

Status : Semi-Public

Brief History and Activities :

Inspired by the Jain Saint Acharya Sri Tulsi, the Institute was established in 1970. It is a Centre of Advanced Studies and Research in Prakrit and Jainology. Besides, providing facilities for regular under-graduate courses, the institution has facilities for specialised post graduate faculties. viz. (i) Prakrit language and literature (ii) Jainology (iii) Ahimsa and Peace Research, (iv) Science of Living and Preksha Meditation. The Library of the Institution has in its custody 20,000 books and 5,000 rare manuscripts. It has a regular publication programme and published more than 400 titles.

Collection(s)

Manuscripts :

5,000 manuscripts in Sanskrit, Prakrit, Rajasthani, Tamil relating to Jainism, Hinduism and literature.

Finding Aids :

Accession Register of the Collection is available.

Access :

The Collection can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for xeroxing and lodging are available.

Address : P. O. Box No. 8, Ladun-341 406.

LOK SANSKRITI SHODH SANSTHAN

Established : 1964

Status : Public Trust

Brief History and Activities :

The Institute was established in 1964 under the auspices of Nagar Shri Churu Trust. It has in its custody manuscripts pertaining to Punjab and Rajasthan region. The Institute has brought out a number of publications and brings out a quarterly journal *Maru Shree*. It also organises symposia, seminars and exhibitions of its holdings.

Collection(s)

(a) Records/Documents :

Parwanas, bahis and letters pertaining to Rajasthan region (18th-19th centuries).

(b) Newspapers, etc. :

1,000 issues of various newspapers dating back to 1928.

(c) Private Papers :

- (i) Potedar Collection;
- (ii) Govind Agarwal Collection;
- (iii) Subodh Kumar Agarwal Collection.

(d) Manuscripts :

Manuscripts pertaining to history and literature of Rajasthan region (1538-1943).

Finding Aids :

Descriptive Lists of the collections are under preparation.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars obtaining prior permission.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for typing and translation of manuscripts/documents are available. Besides, free lodging facilities are also available.

Address : Rajat Jayanti Bhawan, Yati Krudha Karan Marg, Churu-331 001.

MAHARAJA MAN SINGH PUSTAK PRAKASH

Established : 1978

Status : Public Trust

Brief History and Activities :

The Institute was established by Maharaja Man Singh, the erstwhile ruler of Bikaner and has since developed into a Research Centre to conduct researches in the field of literature, art and culture. It is managed by Mehrangarh Museum Trust. It has a Manuscript Library with a collection of over 5,000 volumes of old Sanskrit manuscripts, 3,000 *granths* on different subjects. The Institution has a publication programme and organises symposia and seminars.

Collection(s)

(a) Records/Documents :

8,000 old *bahis* including :

- (i) *Zananideodhi Ki Bahis* (Accounts of the harem);
- (ii) *Kapra Ka Kothar Ki Bahis* (Accounts of the Cloth Storehouse);
- (iii) *Jawahar Khana Ki Bahis* (Accounts of the Jewellery Vaults).

(b) Manuscripts :

5,000 manuscripts in Sanskrit, Prakrit, Rajasthani, Hindi languages pertaining to history, literature, music, philosophy, etc. (14th-19th centuries).

Finding Aids :

Published *Catalogue of Manuscripts* (2 Volumes) are available.

Access :

Collection can be consulted by scholars with prior permission.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for xeroxing are available.

Significant Holdings :

- (i) *Jivavicara-prakarana* (Prakrit manuscript pertaining to Jain religion) 16th century.
- (ii) *Itihas Sar Samuchaya* by Garibdas (Rajasthani manuscript pertaining to history) 1740 A.D.

Address : Mehrangarh Museum Trust, Fort, Jodhpur-342 006.

**MAULANA ABUL KALAM AZAD ARABIC AND
PERSIAN RESEARCH INSTITUTE**

Founded : c. 19th Century

Status : Public

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Institute was originally founded by Nawab Muhammad Ali Khan of Tonk (Rajasthan) in the last quarter of the 19th century as *Saeedia Kutubkhana*. Later, it functioned as District Branch Office of the Rajasthan Oriental Research Institute, Jodhpur. In 1978 the Government of Rajasthan made the Institute a Directorate to centralise and conserve Arabic and Persian manuscripts lying scattered in different Government museums and libraries as well as to promote Arabic and Persian studies. Subsequently, the Institute was named after Maulana Abul Kalam Azad and inaugurated on 4 March 1979. It provides research facilities to scholars in Arabic and Persian studies. The School of Oriental Studies of the Institute provides teaching facilities upto post-graduate level in Arabic and Persian languages and a Centre of Calligraphy has as well been set up. The Library of the Institute has a rich collection of manuscripts and historical documents dealing with Indology, historiography and oriental studies. Besides, the Library has in its custody rare published works in Arabic, Persian and Urdu languages and literature, research journals, periodicals, etc. The Institute organises seminars and symposia and also has a publication programme with 47 publications to its credit.

Collection(s)

(a) Records/Documents :

Records/Documents of the following series are available :

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| (i) | <i>Farmans</i> and <i>Sanads</i> | 3547 |
| (ii) | <i>Bait ul Hikmat</i>
(Abode of Learning) | 50,251 |
| (iii) | <i>Munshi Khana-i-Huzuri</i> comprising charity grants (<i>Faraman i-khairat</i>), files (<i>amsila</i>) and documents relating to political and cultural history of Rajasthan, especially Tonk. | 1,143 |

- (iv) *Sharh-Shrif (Shariat records)* 9,161
dealing with Muslim polity, Islamic jurisprudence, etc.
- (v) *Risalat-i-Mutafarriqa (Register of miscellaneous Papers).* 1,206

(b) Manuscripts : 7,319 manuscripts comprising following collections :

- (i) *Khazinat-ul-Makhtutat (treasure of manuscripts).* 7,158
- (ii) *Musawwidat Mubayyazat (rough/fair drafts of manuscripts).* 18
- (iii) *Miscellaneous Manuscripts (copies and transcriptions)* 143

These manuscripts pertain to religion, jurisprudence, astronomy, astrology, mathematics, metaphysic, music, paleaeography, occult sciences, medicine, ethics, etc. Some of the manuscript are illustrated and ornamented with gold and jewels.

(c) Microfilms : 11 microfilm rolls containing Arabic and Persian manuscripts in different collections.

(d) Others : 337 Calligraphy panels as well as curio Collections comprising of microscopic transcribed texts on rice, seeds, lentils, etc.

Finding Aids : Published *Catalogue(s)* of Arabic and Persian manuscripts are available.

Access : Collections can be consulted by scholars with prior permission.

Services/Facilities : Facilities for xeroxing and microfilming of documents are available.

Significant Holdings : (i) *Miftahul Asrar* (Arabic manuscript).
(ii) *Khulasatu Tawarikh* (Persian manuscript).

Address : Nazarbagh Palace, Tonk-304 001.

PAROPKARINI SABHA

Established : 1883

Status : Religious Trust

Brief History and Activities :

The Sabha was established by Swami Dayanand Saraswati, the founder of Arya Samaj movement in India for spreading the message of the Vedas. The Institute has in its possession manuscripts of various works of Dayanand Saraswati and his famous work *Satyarth Prakash*. The 'Vedic Yantralay' carries out the printing and publication of the Vedas and books authored by Swami Dayanand Saraswati.

Collection(s)

- (a) **Records/Documents :** Annual Reports of Paropkarini Sabha, 1945-1989 :
- (b) **Newspapers, etc :** (i) *Paropkari*, Hindi-Monthly, 1958-1989;
(ii) *Arya Martand*, Hindi Fortnightly, 1958-1967.
- (c) **Private Papers :** (i) Swami Dayanand Saraswati Collection, 1876-1882.
(ii) Madam Blavatsky-Olcott Correspondence, 1882 (copy of the letters).
- (d) **Manuscripts** Manuscripts of the works of Swami Dayanand Saraswati, 20,000 sheets.
- (e) **Microfilms :** Microfilms rolls containing the following works :
(i) *Satyarth Prakash*;
(ii) *Rig Vedadi Bhashya Bhumika*;
(iii) *Sanskar Vidhi*;
(iv) *Rig Veda*;
(v) *Yajur Veda*;
(vi) Books on Sanskrit Grammar, 14 Volumes.

Access : Collections can be consulted by scholars with prior permission.

Services/Facilities : Lodging facilities free of charge are available.

Significant Holdings : Swami Dayanand Saraswati's Autobiography (manuscript)-8 pages.

Address : Kaiserganj, Ajmer-305 001.

RUPAYAN SANSTHAN

Established : 1960

Status : Private

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Institute was established to document, survey and conduct researches in folklore and ethnology of Rajasthan region. It has published folklore of Rajasthan and monographs in folk literature. At present it is conducting studies of ethno-geographic regions of Rajasthan. The Institute has in its possession manuscripts acquired from different parts in Rajasthan .

Collection(s)

(a) Manuscripts :

Old manuscripts acquired from different parts of Rajasthan pertaining to poetry, philosophy, folklore, etc.

(b) Others :

Audio and video cassettes, gramophone records documenting folklore and ethnology of Rajasthan State.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for lodging are available.

Address : Borunda-342 604.

SEVA MANDIR

Established : 1964

Status : Public Trust

Brief History and Activities :

This Institute is a Post-Graduate Research Institute in Indology having specialisation in Jainology. The activities of Institute include cataloguing, translation and publication of old manuscripts. The Institute has a Library containing 20,000 books relating to Jain literature and has a regular publication programme.

Collection(s)

- (a) **Newspapers, etc. :** 40 periodicals in Hindi, Gujarati and English pertaining to Jainism.
- (b) **Manuscripts :** 2,000 manuscripts pertaining to Jainism, astrology, *ayurveda* and Sanskrit literature.
- (c) **Microfilms :** 43 microfilm rolls containing the holdings of Jaisalmer Bhandar (10th-20th centuries).

Finding Aids :

Published *Catalogue of Manuscripts* (in two volumes) are available.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for xeroxing and typing are available.

Address : Raoti, P. O. Soorsagar, Jodhpur-342 024.

SHRI HINDI SAHITYA SAMITI

Established : 1912

Status : Private

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Samiti was established in 1912 to propagate Hindi literature. It organises literary conferences, seminars and symposia. It also organises adult education programmes wherein teaching facilities in Hindi language are extended to illiterate adults. Its Library has in its custody unpublished and rare manuscripts besides a collection of books, periodicals and newspapers.

Collection(s)

Manuscripts :

Manuscripts pertaining to history and literature of Rajasthan.

Access :

The Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Address : Hindi Sahitya Samiti Bhawan, Bharatpur-321 001.

SHRI MAHAVIR PUSTAKALAYA

Established : 1907

Status : Public

Brief History and Activities :

The Library was established for the people of Sikar District. It has in its possession valuable manuscripts and newspaper collections.

Collection(s)

(a) Records/Documents :

Documents pertaining to freedom struggle in Sikar and Shekhawati region.

(b) Newspapers, etc. :

- (i) *Veer Arjun*, Hindi (1938);
- (ii) *Hindustan Times*, English (1938);
- (iii) *Jaipur Samachar*, Hindi (1942-1943);
- (iv) *Aaj*, Hindi (1938);
- (v) *Marwari Brahman*, Hindi (1940-1941);
- (vi) *Sevak*, Hindi (1941-1942);
- (vii) *Ekta*, Hindi (1942-1943);
- (viii) *Harijan Sevak*, Hindi (1942);
- (ix) *Harijan*, English (1942);
- (x) *Gramsevak*, Hindi (1942);
- (xi) *Prajasevak*, Hindi (1941);

Besides newspapers, the Library has in its custody periodicals/journals viz.

- (i) *Saraswati*, Hindi (1907-1967)
- (ii) *Chand*, Hindi (1925-1938);
- (iii) *Vishal Bharat*, Hindi (1930-1961);
- (iv) *Hans*, Hindi (1932-1952);
- (v) *Arogya*, Hindi (1951-1967);
- (vi) *Modern Review*, Hindi (1918-1955).

(c) Manuscripts :

Manuscripts relating to various disciplines of Indology.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Address : Jatiya Bazar, Sikar-332 001.

SHRI RAM CHARAN MUSEUM OF INDOLOGY

Established : 1960

Status : Public Trust

Brief History and Activities :

The Museum was established by Acharya R. C. Sharma 'Vyakul' in 1960. It is managed and controlled by Shri Ram Charan Prachya Vidyapeeth and Sangrahalaya Trust. The Archives Section of the Institute holds more than 6,000 documents of historical nature. Besides, it has private papers of statesmen as well as a newspaper collection.

Collection(s)

(a) **Records/Documents :** 6,000 documents comprising of letters of Mughal emperors, nobles, rulers of Rajputana, etc.

(b) **Newspapers, etc. :** (i) *Rozatul Talim*, Hindi/Urdu-Weekly (1856);
 (ii) *Marwar Gazette*, Hindi/Urdu-Weekly (1876);
 (iii) *Mansuryodaya*, Hindi-Weekly (1935);
 (iv) *Sajjan Kirti Sudhakar*, Hindi/English-Weekly, (1942).

(c) **Private Papers :** (i) Sawai Jai Singh Collection, 1819;
 (ii) Sawai Ram Singh Collection, 1667-1689;
 (iii) Kanti Chandra Mukarji Collection, 1897
 (iv) Madho Sugtji Collection, 1880-1920.

Finding Aids :

Vangmaya Chayanika (A Classical Catalogue of Select Manuscripts, Volume I) is available. While Volumes II and III of the 'Catalogue' are under print.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Significant Holdings :

(i) Sawai Jai Singh's letter, (1819);
 (ii) Case file of Sanghi Juntharam, ex-Prime Minister of Jaipur State.

Address : 'Neelambara', 24, Gangwal Park, Prachya Vidyapeeth, Jaipur-302 004.

SIKKIM

SIKKIM RESEARCH INSTITUTE OF TIBETOLOGY

Established : 1958

Status : Autonomous

Brief History and Activities :

The Institute was established in 1958 as a Research Centre for the study of culture, history, language and religion of Tibet and Tibetan speaking people. The foundation stone of the Institute was laid by Dalai Lama on 10 February 1957 and it was inaugurated by Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru on 1 October 1958. The Institute houses many priceless artefacts which are on display in its Museum and has a large collection of manuscripts, xylographs, treaties and books in its Library. The Institute is engaged in cataloguing rare manuscripts in its custody and also has undertaken a programme to reproduce and translate important published works. It has published a number of titles and since 1964 brings out a quarterly journal *Bulletin of Tibetology*.

Collection(s)

- (a) **Records/Documents :** Treaties, xylographs, etc.
- (b) **Manuscripts :** Manuscripts in Tibetan language pertaining to Tibetology and Mahayana Buddhism.
- (c) **Microfilms :** Microfilm rolls containing source material on Tibetan Studies are available.

Finding Aids : Catalogue of Manuscripts is under compilation.

Access : Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities : Facilities for microfilm reader, typing, xeroxing are available. Lodging facilities are also available.

Address : Gangtok-737 101.

TAMIL NADU

ADYAR LIBRARY AND RESEARCH CENTRE

Established : 1886

Status : Private

Brief History and Activities :

The Library was founded in 1886 by Henry Steel Olcott, founder-President of the Theosophical Society. At present it has more than 17,000 manuscripts pertaining to Vedic literature, astrology, religion, etc. and has a regular publication programme. The Library brings out a journal *Brahmvidya*. It has also been recognised by the University of Madras as a Post-Graduate Research Centre for Sanskrit and Indological studies leading to Ph.D degree.

Collection(s)

(a) **Newspapers, etc :** *New India*, English-Daily/Weekly (1914-1928).

(b) **Manuscripts :** 17,000 palm leaf and paper manuscripts pertaining to Vedic literature, astrology, religion, etc.

(c) **Microfilms :** Microfilm rolls containing *New India*, English-Daily/Weekly (1914-1928).

Finding Aids :

Published *Descriptive Catalogue of Manuscripts* and classified list are available.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars on payment of prescribed fees.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for xeroxing and microfilm reader are available.

Address : Adyar, Madras-600 020.

ANNAMALAI UNIVERSITY LIBRARY

Founded : 1920

Status : Semi-Public

Brief History and Activities :

The Library has its origins in Shri Meenakshi College Library (founded in 1920) with a stock of only 200 books. The Library has steadily built its collection and at present it has over 3,75,000 titles in its custody. A Palm Leaf Manuscript Section having a collection of 2,000 palm leaf manuscripts is a unique addition to the Library. Besides, the Library has a good collection of Government documents and technical reports as well as periodicals in the field of humanities, social sciences, science and technology, indology, etc. It is a depository Library for Indian Patents Publications and World Bank Publications.

Collection(s)

(a) **Manuscripts :** 2,000 palm leaf manuscripts.

(b) **Microfilms/Others :** Collection of microfilm rolls, microfiches, educational films, maps, photographs, audio and video cassettes containing educational material.

Finding Aids :

Published *Catalogues of Manuscripts* are available.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for reference service, inter-library loan, photo-duplication and audio-recording are available.

Address : Annamalai University, Annamalai Nagar-608 002.

ARCHDIOCESE OF MADRAS-MYLAPORE

Established : 1952

Status : Semi-Public

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Archdiocese of Madras-Mylapore was established on 13 November 1952. The Archdiocese has in its custody ecclesiastical records and brings out a monthly *Newsletter*.

Collection(s)

**(a) Records/Docu-
ments :**

Ecclesiastical records of historical interest.

(b) Newspapers, etc. :

Some weekly newspapers from (1938 onwards) are available.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Address : Archbishop's House, San Thome, Madras-600 004.

**DEPARTMENT OF EPIGRAPHY (TAMIL
UNIVERSITY)**

Established : 1982

Status : Semi-Public

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Department was established in 1982 and has since been engaged in collecting copper plates and stone inscriptions pertaining to Central and South Tamil Nadu (15th-19th century). Besides, it has in its custody paper as well as palm leaf manuscripts of historical value.

Collection(s)

- (a) **Manuscripts :** 150 palm leaf and paper manuscripts relating to local history.
- (b) **Others :**
- (i) 200 copper plates relating to princely families of Tamil Nadu, 15th-19th century.
 - (ii) 60 copper plate inscriptions pertaining to the Marathas of Thanjavur.
 - (iii) 120 stone inscriptions of the Marathas of Thanjavur.

Finding Aids : Index to manuscripts is available.

Access : Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Address : Tamil University, Thanjavur-613 001.

**DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY AND RARE PAPER
MANUSCRIPTS (TAMIL UNIVERSITY)**

Established : 1981

Status : Semi-Public

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Department acquires and preserves rare paper manuscripts. It has in its custody documents pertaining to land grants, court litigation cases as well as private papers of litterateurs and statesmen. The Department is actively engaged in research and publication programme pertaining to literature, linguistics, history, music, drama, law, medicine, history etc. of Tamil Nadu in Tamil language.

Collection(s)

- (a) **Records/Documents :** 182 documents and records pertaining to land revenue cases of various districts, 1817-1959.
- (b) **Private Papers :** Correspondence of eminent Tamil scholars and statesmen viz.
- (i) N. N. Venkatasamy Nattar-Natarajan Collection, 1938-1943;
 - (ii) K. V. Jagannathan Seeramaran Collection, 1956;
 - (iii) Dr. M. V. Varadarajan Collection, 1961-1965;
 - (iv) Dr. C. Subramaniam Collection, 1961.
- (c) **Manuscripts :** 215 manuscripts in Tamil relating to literature, medicine, history, religion, architecture, etc.
- (d) **Microfilms/Others :** (i) 684 microfilm rolls containing rare Tamil manuscripts acquired from various sources including India Office Library, London, (British Library);
- (ii) Cartographic Records (maps).

Finding Aids :

Descriptive Catalogues of Manuscripts are under preparation.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities : Facilities for photo-duplication, microfilm reader and lodging are available.

Significant Holdings : (i) *Maran Agaperul*, 1880 A.D.
(Tamil manuscript pertaining to grammar).
(ii) *Kurma Puranam*, 1886 A.D.
(Tamil manuscript pertaining to religion).

Address : Tamil University, Thanjavur-613 001.

**DEPARTMENT OF PALM LEAF MANUSCRIPTS
(TAMIL UNIVERSITY)**

Established : 1981

Status : Semi-Public

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Department established in 1981 collects palm leaf manuscripts from various sources and preserves them through scientific methods. It has a collection of 3,000 palm leaf manuscripts in various Indian languages. Besides, it has a regular publication programme and has brought out many publications containing critical examination of manuscripts in its custody. The Department also organises seminars and conducts summer training courses in collection, listing, cataloguing, preserving and editing of palm leaf manuscripts.

Collection(s)

- (a) **Manuscripts :** 3,000 palm leaf manuscripts in various Indian languages pertaining to literature, religion, medicine, etc.
- (b) **Microfilms :** Microfilm rolls containing the complete works of Vannaccharabam Dhandapani Swamigal (50,000 religious verses in Tamil).

Finding Aids : Published *Descriptive Catalogue of Tamil Palm Leaf Manuscripts in Tamil University*, Volumes I-IV are available; while Volumes V and VI are under print.

Access : Collections can be consulted by scholars.

- Significant Holdings :**
- (i) *Omaithurai Chandai* (Tamil manuscript on palm leaf pertaining to history), Accession No. 836;
 - (ii) *Kalappa Nayakkan Kathai* (Tamil manuscript on palm leaf pertaining to literature), Accession No. 1330.

Address : Tamil University, Thanjavur-613 001.

GANDHI MEMORIAL MUSEUM

Established : 1959

Status : Public Trust

Brief History and Activities :

Established by Gandhi Memorial Trust, the Museum was inaugurated by Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru on 15 April 1959. The Museum depicts the life and thought of Mahatma Gandhi through visuals on the life and various activities of Gandhiji. It also has in its possession photographs, photostat letters of Gandhiji. The Museum conducts educational programmes, seminars, etc. for the benefit of students and public and has a Library containing 15,000 books on social sciences.

Collection(s)

- (a) Private Papers :**
- (i) 28,225 letters of Mahatma Gandhi, photostat copies).
 - (ii) Welcome addresses presented to Mahatma Gandhi.
- (b) Others :** 1,000 photographs on life of Gandhiji.

Access : Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities : Facilities for xeroxing, microfilm reader and lodging are available.

Address : Tamukkam Road, Madurai-625 020.

**GOVERNMENT ORIENTAL MANUSCRIPTS
LIBRARY**

Established : 1869

Status : Public

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Library was established in 1869 by Mr. Pickford, the then Professor of Sanskrit, Presidency College, Madras. It inherited the manuscripts collected by Col. Colin Mackenzie, the first Surveyor General of India as well as Dr. Leyden and C. P. Brown during (1783-1855). At present, the Library has in its custody 66,077 manuscripts in various languages, besides 22,000 printed books. Under its publication programme, it has brought out over 350 titles on variety of subjects and in various oriental languages.

Collection(s)

(a) Private Papers : Col. Colin Mackenzie's Collection comprising of local records and *Kaifiyats* (434 Volumes).

(b) Manuscripts : 66,077 manuscripts in Sanskrit, Tamil, Telugu, Arabic, Persian, Marathi, Kannada and Malayalam on subjects like literature, history, medicine, astrology, mathematics, religion, philosophy, etc.

Finding Aids :

Published *Descriptive Catalogues*, *Triennial Catalogues*, *Alphabetical Index* and *Author Index* of the manuscripts are available.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars with prior permission.

Significant Holdings :

- (i) *Hariharacaturangam* (Sanskrit manuscript pertaining to techniques of ancient warfare).
- (ii) *Ratnadipika* (Sanskrit manuscript pertaining to classification of gems and stones).

Address : Madras University Building, Chepauk, Madras-600 005.

GOVERNMENT MUSEUM, MADRAS

Established : 1851

Status : Public

Brief History and Activities :

The Museum was established at Madras in 1851 as a museum of geological specimens. At present there are eleven sections on Archaeology, Art, Anthropology, Numismatics, Children's Section, Education, Design and Display, Geology, Zoology, Botany and Chemical Conservation. The Museum conducts refresher courses in Museology as well as a course in taxidermy for preservation of Zoological specimens. It is a Centre for research and advanced studies in Archaeology and allied subjects such as numismatics, pre-history and ethnography. It also has in its custody works of Poet Mahakavi Subrahmanya Bharathi, which was acquired as gift in 1944. The Museum has a publication programme with a large number of published titles to its credit.

Collection(s)

Manuscripts :

13 volumes containing works of Poet Mahakavi Subrahmanya Bharathi.

Finding Aids :

List of holdings is available.

Access :

The Collection can be consulted by scholars.

Address : Pantheon Road, Egmore, Madras-600 008.

GOVERNMENT MUSEUM, MADURAI

Established : 1981

Status : Public

Brief History and Activities :

The Museum has in its collection bronze, ancient coins, wood carvings, paintings, inscribed stone slabs, sculptures, etc. It also has in its custody palm leaf and paper manuscripts and grants research facilities to scholars.

Collection(s)

- (a) Private Papers :** Maulana Sahib (freedom fighter) Collection comprising of records/documents and speeches.
- (b) Manuscripts :** 37 palm leaf and paper manuscripts pertaining to ayurveda system of medicine (*Siddha Vaidya*) are available.
- (c) Others :** Video-cassettes of educational programmes are available.

Finding Aids : Index cards of the holdings are available.

Access : Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities : Facilities for photo-duplication are available. Lodging facilities are also available.

Address : Gandhi Museum Compound, Madurai-625 020.

GOVERNMENT MUSEUM, PUDUKKOTTAI

Established : 1910

Status : Public

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Museum was established in 1910 by the then Thondaiman ruler of the erstwhile Pudukkottai State. The Library attached to it has in its custody records relating to the Thondaiman rulers of Pudukkottai.

Collection(s)

Records/Documents : Correspondence between the Thondaiman rulers and the British Government (six volumes).

Access :

The Collection can be consulted by scholars.

Address : Big Street, Thirugokarnam, Pudukkottai-622 001.

INSTITUTE OF ASIAN STUDIES

Established : 1982

Status : Semi-Public

Brief History and Activities :

The Institute was established in 1982 as an international centre to promote inter-disciplinary studies in literary and cultural facets of Asian countries. It has 9 Departments dealing with studies of Tamil, Kannada, Telugu, Japanese, Folklore, Buddhism, Manuscriptology, etc. It has a Library and brings out a bi-annual journal entitled *Journal of Institute of Asian Studies*.

Collection(s)

(a) Manuscripts :

Palm leaf manuscripts containing historical information in the form of ballads.

(b) Microfilms :

Microfilm rolls containing following manuscripts dating back to 19th century :

- (i) *Kannivati Attappankatal*
- (ii) *Pukaiyilaikkummi*
- (iii) *Mukkaraccik Katai*
- (iv) *Muttunatacci Cantai*
- (v) *Cellantiyamman Kappal*
- (vi) *Vatea Ravuttar Pavan*
- (vii) *Taruma Puranam*
- (viii) *Makattam Puranam*
- (ix) *Citra Nonti*
- (x) *Virakumara Natakam*
- (xi) *Cavuntari Yantati*
- (xii) *Kiruttina Vitacam.*

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for translation are available.

Address : 10th East Street, Thiruvanmiyur, Madras-600 041.

KUPPUSWAMI SASTRI RESEARCH INSTITUTE**Established : 1945****Status : Private****Brief History and Activities :**

The Institute was founded in 1945 in the memory of Mahamahopadhyaya Professor S. Kuppuswami Sastri (1880-1943) to promote research in Sanskrit and Indology. It arranges periodical meetings and conferences on various subjects viz. literature, astrology, medicine, religion, etc. It also brings out a journal entitled *Journal of Oriental Research*. The Institute is affiliated to Madras University for M.Phil and Ph.D degrees.

Collection(s)**Manuscripts :**

Manuscripts relating to astronomy, religion, literature, philosophy, etc.

Finding Aids :

Typed lists of the manuscripts are available.

Access :

The Collection can be consulted by scholars.

Address : 84, Thiru Vika Road, Mylapore, Madras-600 004.

MADURAI PROVINCE JESUIT ARCHIVES

Established : 1936

Status : Semi-Public

Brief History and Activities :

The Archives was established to house the documents, diaries, letters, maps, etc. collected by the Jesuit missionaries at Tiruchirappalli. The Collection was transferred to Sacred Heart College in 1936. The Collection at the Archives relate to history of Christian missionaries in Tamil Nadu from 1600 to 1940. Besides, the Archives also has few palm leaf manuscripts in its collection.

Collection(s)

(a) **Private Papers :** Letters and diaries of Jesuit Priests (1838-1936).

(b) **Manuscripts :** *Olais* manuscripts on palm leaf.

Finding Aids :

Typed catalogues of the holdings are available.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for typing are available. Lodging facilities are also available.

Address : 1, Salai Street, Kamakoti Peetha, Kanchipuram-631 501.

MAHAMAHOPADHYAYA DR. U.V.S. IYER LIBRARY

Established : 1943

Status : Private

Brief History and Activities :

The Library was established in 1943 and registered as a Charitable Society under the Societies Registration Act. It has in its custody private collections of Dr. U. V. Swaminatha Iyer comprising of letters in Tamil, palm leaf and paper manuscripts besides, a collection of 18,000 printed books most of them in Tamil language.

Collection(s)

- (a) **Private Papers :** Dr. U. V. Swaminatha Iyer Collection comprising of 26 volumes of letters in Tamil language.
- (b) **Manuscripts :** Palm leaf and paper manuscripts in Tamil language relating to Tamil literature.
- (c) **Microfilms :** Microfilm rolls containing palm leaf manuscripts.

Finding Aids :

Published *Descriptive Catalogues of Manuscripts* (6 volumes) are available.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for microfilm reader is available. Arrangements for xeroxing are made through outside agencies.

Address : Besant Nagar, Madras-600 090.

NYAYA MIMAMSA ANUSANDHANA KENDRA

Established : 1986

Status : Private

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Kendra was established by the enthusiastic scholars of Shrothium Navalapakkam under the guidance of Shri Ayya Devnatha Tatacharya, an eminent Sanskrit scholar for reviving the interest and study of *Nyaya* and *Mimamsa* (systems of Hindu philosophy) amongst the younger generation. The Kendra is presently engaged in the dissemination of *Nyaya* and *Mimamsa* through research and publication. It has in its custody palm leaf manuscripts pertaining to Hindu philosophy.

Collection(s)

Manuscripts :

Palm leaf manuscripts pertaining to *Nyaya* and *Mimamsa*.

Access :

The Collection can be consulted by scholars with prior permission.

Address : Shrothium Navalpakkam, Tiru Vanvamala
Sambuvarayar District-604 408.

SCHOOL OF TAMIL STUDIES (MADURAI KAMARAJ UNIVERSITY)

Established : 1966

Status : Semi-Public

Brief History and Activities :

The School existed as Post-Graduate Centre in Tamil Studies under the Madras University prior to its taking over by the Madurai Kamaraj University which was established in 1966. The School has a separate Section of Manuscriptology which has 500 manuscripts in its custody. The Library attached to the School has in its custody over 15,000 publications. Besides, the School also has a publication programme bringing out books and research papers in Tamil.

Collection(s)

Manuscripts :

500 manuscripts relating to literature, medicine and folklore (19th Century).

Finding Aids :

Indexes and Registers to the holdings are available.

Access :

The Collection can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for microfilm reader, audio recording and translation are available. Lodging facilities are also available.

Address : Palkalainagar, Mudurai-625 021.

SRI HAYAGRIVA MAHAL (LIBRARY)

Established : 1982

Status : Private

Brief History and Activities :

The Library was founded by Sri Bhashya Vidwat Sadas Samithi for unearthing and preserving palm leaf manuscripts for the benefit of research scholars. The Library has in its possession 600 palm leaf manuscripts, besides 1,000 titles in print.

Collection(s)

Manuscripts :

600 palm leaf manuscripts pertaining to Vedic literature and religion.

Finding Aids :

'*Descriptive Catalogue of Manuscripts*' is under print.

Access :

The Collection can be consulted by scholars.

Address : Shrothium Navalpakkam, Tiru Vanvamala
Sambuvarayar Districe-604 408.

**SRI KANCHI KAMAKOTI PITHA (SRI SANKARA-
CHARYA MATH)**

Established : 482 A. D.

Status : Private

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Math was established by Adi Sankaracharya. The Institution has a vast mass of disciples and devotees and has been propagating the tenets of Vedic Dharma and Advaita philosophy. It has in its possession copper-plates, inscriptions, *farmans*, etc. It has also published many titles on Hindu religious philosophy and institutions.

Collection(s)

(a) Records/Documents :

Farmans of the Nawabs of Carnatic, Documents, Order, Title Deeds, Epistles, etc. (1725-1889).

(b) Newspapers, etc. :

Karnataka, Tamil-Weekly/Monthly (1942-1968).

(c) Others :

7 copper plate inscriptions of the rulers of Chola dynasty, Vijaynagar Empire, Sultanate of Golconda, etc. (1111-1686).

Finding Aids :

Reference media to its holdings are under preparation.

Services/Facilities :

Lodging facilities are available on request.

Significant Holdings :

- (i) Letters of Maharaja Serfoji Thanjavur (1808 AD).
- (ii) Epistles of Bala Rama Varma, Ruler of Travancore (1829-1847 AD).

Address : 1, Salai Street, Kamakoti Peetha, Kanchipuram-631 501.

ST. JOSEPH'S CHARITY INSTITUTE

Established : 1854

Status : Private

Brief History and Activities :

The Institute was founded by the French Jesuits in 1854 at Alantalai village near Tiruchendur, Tirunelveli District. It was developed further with liberal financial aid by three French ladies, viz. Madam Heine and her daughter and Madam Bernard. In 1923, the management of this Home had been taken over by Tuticorin Diocese and managed by Indian Catholic priests with financial grants from the State Government of Tamil Nadu. The Institute, from its inception has been catering to the needs of its inmates which include handicapped, helpless old men and women, abandoned widows, etc. through vocational education and training. It has in its custody records pertaining to its foundation and growth.

Collection(s)

Records/Documents : Records pertaining to foundation, growth and development of the Institute, 1854-1923. (copies are translated in English). Original records in French in the custody of Jesuit Mission Archives, Kodaikanal (Tamil Nadu).

Access : The Collection can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities : Facilities for typing, xeroxing and lodging are available.

Address : Adaikalapuram-628 217.

ST. MICHAEL'S CATHEDRAL

Established : 1867

Status : Religious Institution

Brief History and Activities :

The foundations of St. Michael's Cathedral were laid in 1850 and it was built on the model of St. Peter's Basilica, Rome. It was completed and consecrated by Mgr. Depommier on 28 April 1867 and was dedicated to the Archangel St. Michael.

Collection(s)

Records/Documents : Records pertaining to baptisms, marriages and death are available.

Address : Big Bazaar Street, Coimbatore-641 001.

**THANJAVUR MAHARAJA SERFOJI'S SARASWATI
MAHAL LIBRARY SOCIETY**

Established : 1918

Status : Registered Society

**Brief History and
Activities :**

This Society registered in 1986 was made a Public Library in 1918 by the then Government of Madras. The Library, however, was built and patronised by the successive dynasties of Nayaks (1535-1650) and Maratha rulers of Thanjavur (1651-1856). It has been bringing out a multilingual journal entitled *Journal of Thanjavur Maharaja Serfoji's Sarasvathi Mahal History* in Tamil, Sanskrit, Marathi, Telugu and English since 1938.

Collection(s)

- (a) **Manuscripts :** 47,000 palm leaf and paper manuscripts in Sanskrit, Tamil, Marathi, Telugu, Persian languages.
- (b) **Microfilms/Others :** (i) 250 microfilm rolls containing palm leaf and paper manuscripts available in the Library;
(ii) Ancient atlases are available.

Finding Aids :

Published *Descriptive Catalogues of Manuscripts* are available.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for xerox, microfilming, microfilm reader are available.

Address : Thanjavur-613 009.

TRIPURA

RAMAPRASAD GABESHANAGAR

Established : 1947

Status : Registered Society

Brief History and Activities :

The Gabeshanagar is a Library-cum-Research Centre established by Rama Prasad Dutta as its Founder-Secretary. Its collection comprise of rare books, newspapers and manuscripts pertaining to history, culture, literature and folklore of Tripura region.

Collection(s)

Records/ Documents : Census Reports, Gazetteers of Tripura, Reports, etc.

(b) Newspapers, etc. : Collection of native newspapers and journals (19th century onwards).

(c) Manuscripts : Manuscripts of books and treatises authored by eminent litterateurs of Tripura.

(d) Others : Paintings, election manifestoes and pamphlets of various political parties, tribal folklore, etc.

Finding Aids :

List of holdings in available.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars with prior permission and payment of prescribed fees.

Significant Holdings :

(i) *Raajmala*

(ii) *Brihatnaradiopuram* by Chandradoy Vidya-
vinod.

Address : Gandhighat, Agartala-799 001.

UTTAR PRADESH

AKHILA BHARATIYA SANSKRIT PARISHAD

Established : 1951

Status : Private

Brief History and Activities :

The Parishad was established by Acharya Narendra Dev, Dr. Sampurnanand, Prof. A. D. Iyer and Shri Gopal Chandra Sinha. It is actively engaged in the propagation of Sanskrit language and literature and also search, collection, editing and publication of Sanskrit, Pali and Prakrit manuscripts. The Library of Parishad has in its custody about 20,000 manuscripts and 20,000 publications. It also carries out translation and publication of Sanskrit works into various languages and has so far published 35 titles, besides 4 volumes of Descriptive Catalogues of 5,000 manuscripts. It also brings out a quarterly journal *Ajasra* in Sanskrit. The Parishad has been recognised as a centre for research in Sanskrit language and literature by the Government of India as well as by Awadh University (Faizabad) and Kanpur University (Kanpur).

Collection(s)

(a) Newspapers, etc. :

- (i) *Gandivam*, Sanskrit-Weekly;
- (ii) *Parijatam*, Sanskrit-Monthly;
- (iii) *Uttar Samachar Darshan*, Hindi-Monthly;
- (iv) *Yugangati*, Sanskrit-Weekly;
- (v) *Sudharma*, Sanskrit-Daily;
- (vi) *Sanskrit Dudubhi*, Sanskrit-Monthly.

(b) Manuscripts :

20,000 paper manuscripts in Sanskrit, Pali and Prakrit languages on religion, literature, ayurveda astrology, philosophy, etc.

Finding Aids :

Published *Catalogue(s) of Manuscripts* (in 4 volumes) are available.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for xeroxing and translation are available.

- Significant Holdings :**
- (i) *Samved Uhoigan*
(manuscript pertaining to Vedic literature) 1889 V.S. (1832 A.D.).
 - (ii) *Raagmala* by Kshemkaran
(manuscript on music) 1682 V.S. (1625 A.D.).
 - (iii) *Ritu Samhar* by Kalidas
(Sanskrit manuscript).

Address : Mahatma Gandhi Marg, Hazrat Ganj, Lucknow-226 001.

AMIRUDDAULA PUBLIC LIBRARY**Founded :** 1882**Status :** Private**Brief History and Activities :**

The Library was founded as a part of the Provincial Museum in 1882. In 1910 it was shifted to Chhota Chhatar Manzil premises, Lucknow. Later in 1926 it was shifted to its present premises at Kaiser Bagh and was named after Raja Amir Hasan Khan of Mahmudabad (former President of the British Indian Association). The Library is aided by the Government of Uttar Pradesh and has in its possession 2,00,000 titles in print, 193 manuscripts and a few copper plates. Besides, it also has 18 volumes containing specimens of textile manufacturers of India. The Library has a separate collection of books and publications on Awadh region.

Collection(s)**(a) Manuscripts :**

193 manuscripts in Pali, Urdu, Arabic, Persian,, Sanskrit languages and pertaining to Buddhist Studies, religion, literature, history, etc. (18th-19th centuries).

(b) Others :

Few copper plates are also available.

Finding Aids :

List of the holdings are available.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for translation are available.

Significant Holdings :

- (i) *Buddha Utapatti Katha* (Pali manuscript on Lord Buddha's philosophy and teachings). in Pali language).
- (ii) *Dipavamsa* (Pali manuscript in language palm leaf pertaining to Buddhism).
- (iii) *Zubdat-al-Tawarikh* (Persian manuscript on history).
- (iv) *Sawanah-i-Dakkan* (Persian manuscript containing description of some events in the Deccan).

Address : Kaiser Bagh, Lucknow-226 003.

CHANDDAS SAHITYA SHODH SANSTHAN

Established : 1971

Status : Public

Brief History and Activities :

The Institute was established by Dr. Chandrika Prasad Dixit "Lalit", an eminent collector of manuscripts. The Institute has built up a collection of about 3,000 manuscripts pertaining to Sanskrit grammar, *tantrik* literature, astrology, linguistics, etc. The Sansthan has published a number of publications pertaining to Hindi literature. It also has a Library which houses publications relating to Hindi language and literature.

Collection(s)

(a) Private Papers : Private Papers Collections of eminent Hindi litterateurs viz. Mahadevi Verma; Pandit Sohan Lal Dwivedi; Acharya Pandit Sita Ram Chaturvedi; Dr. Rameshwar Dayal Agrawal, etc.

(b) Manuscripts : 3,000 manuscripts pertaining to Sanskrit grammar, literature, *tantra*, astrology, linguistics, etc.

Access : Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities : Facilities for translation and lodging are available.

Significant Holdings : (i) *Ramvinod* by Chand Vardai (Sanskrit manuscript);
(ii) *Awadhvilas* by Lal Das (Sanskrit manuscript).

Address : Civil Lines, Banda-210 001.

DARUL MUSANNEFIN (SHIBLI ACADEMY)

Established : 1914

Status : Public

Brief History and Activities :

The Academy founded by Maulana Shibli Nomani was established on 21 November 1914. It aimed to reorient the basic concept of Islamic education and interpret Islamic history and philosophy in modern terms. From the inception the Academy has seven Departments to facilitate research and study. These are Departments of Seerat-e-Nabavi, Research, Publications, Ma'arif (monthly), Building, Library and the Printing Press. The Library of the Academy houses books of varied subjects and manuscripts. It has published 118 titles relating to literature, biographies, history, Islamic jurisprudence, ethics, philosophy, etc. It also brings out a Urdu monthly journal entitled *Ma'arif*.

Collection(s)

Manuscripts :

Manuscripts in Arabic and Persian languages relating to medicine, lexicography, philosophy, history, etc. (950 A.D.-1805 A.D.).

Access :

The Collection can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for lodging are available.

Significant Holdings :

- (i) *Farhand-e-Jahngiri* (Persian manuscript comprising a lexicon compiled by Akbar's courtier Jamal-ud-Din Anju and dedicated to Emperor Jahangir, 1074 A.D. (1663 A.D.);
- (ii) *Raqqat-i-Alamgiri* (Persian manuscript comprising of rare collection of Aurangzeb's letters).

Address : Shibli Manzil, Azamgarh-276 001.

DR. BALBIR SINGH SAHITYA KENDRA**Established :** 1974**Status :** Private**Brief History and Activities :**

The Kendra was set up to promote literary talent and conduct studies in religion, philosophy, literature, metaphysics, etc. It has in its possession valuable manuscripts, books, paintings as well as private papers. The Kendra has a regular publication programme and brings out a trilingual quarterly journal entitled *Panchbati Sandesh*.

Collection(s)

- (a) **Newspapers, etc :**
- (i) *Khalsa Akhbar*, Punjabi-Weekly (1887-1902);
 - (ii) *Khaba Samachar*, Punjabi-Weekly (1899-1989).
- (b) **Private Papers :** Private Paper Collections of Dr. Vir Singh and Balbir Singh Collection comprising correspondence with Prof. Puran Singh, Sant Gurumukh Singh, Abdul Rehman Chughtai, Sardar Hardit Singh Malik, Dr. Ganda Singh, Sardar Sobha Singh, Sardar Kartar Singh Duggal, Lt. Col. Jagjit Singh Guleria, Smt. Baljit Kaur Tulsı and others.
- (c) **Manuscripts :**
- (i) 62 manuscripts on religion, philosophy, literature and metaphysics (1641-1897).
 - (ii) Manuscripts of books and treatises authored by Dr. Vir Singh.

Finding Aids : Registers of holdings are available.**Access :** Collections can be consulted by scholars.**Services/Facilities :** Facilities for typing are available.

Significant Holdings :

- (i) *Chand Ratnavali* by Hari Ram Das Niranjani, 1738 A.D. (manuscript);
- (ii) *Gurbilas Patshahi* by Bhai Mani Singh 1762 A.D. (manuscript).

Address : "Panchbati", 20, Pritam Road, Dehradun-248 001.

**GANGANATH JHA KENDRIYA SANSKRIT VIDYA-
PEETH (GANGANATH JHA RESEARCH INSTITUTE)**

Established : 1943

Status : Autonomous Institution

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Institute is an adjunct institution of Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan, New Delhi and is engaged in conducting research in Sanskrit, Ancient Indian History and Culture, and philosophy. It has in its possession 50,000 manuscripts, besides books and other publications.

Collection(s)

- (a) **Manuscripts :** 50,000 manuscripts in Sanskrit pertaining to philosophy, medicine, anthology, astrology, literature, etc.
- (b) **Microfilms :** 26 rolls of microfilm containing manuscripts available in Iqbal Library, Srinagar on Shaivite philosophy.

Finding Aids : List of Manuscripts is available.

Access : Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities : Facilities for xeroxing are available. The manuscripts can also be loaned to institutions for consultation by scholars.

Significant Holdings :

- (i) *Trimsacchlokivivrti* by Anantabhata (Sanskrit manuscript pertaining to religious rituals).
- (ii) *Nyayasutravrtti-Anviksatattvabodha* by Varddhamana (Sanskrit manuscript pertaining to philosophy).

Address : Chandrasekhar Azad Park, Allahabad-211 002.

GOVERNMENT MUSEUM

Established : 1977

Status : Public

Brief History and Activities :

The Museum was established with Dr. S. D. Trivedi as its Founder-Director. Its collection comprises of sculptures, coins, paintings. Besides, it also has in its custody manuscripts pertaining to history, religion and culture. The Museum has brought out publications relating to material in its custody on history and archaeology of Bundhelkhand region.

Collection(s)

Manuscripts :

Manuscripts pertaining to history, religion and culture are available.

Finding Aids :

Guide to the Museum is available.

Access :

The Collection can be consulted by scholars.

Address : Gwalior Road, Jhansi-284 001.

HINDI SANGRAHALAYA (HINDI SAHITYA SAMMELAN)

Established : 1936

Status : Private

Brief History and Activities :

The Sangrahalaya was established with the efforts of Rajrishi Purushottam Das Tandon the then President, Hindi Sahitya Sammelan. Its inauguration ceremony on 5 April, 1936 was attended among others by Mahatma Gandhi, Kasturba Gandhi, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, Kaka Kalelkar. The Library of the Sangrahalaya has in its possession manuscripts, private papers of litterateurs, newspapers, periodicals and journals in Hindi. Besides, it has a regular publication programme and brings out journals viz. fortnightly *Rashtrabhasha Sandesh* and quarterly research publication *Sammelan Patrika*.

Collection(s)

(a) **Newspapers, etc. :** 236 newspapers (dailies and weeklies), 57 dailies and 179 weeklies in English and Hindi languages dating back to 1930. Some of the important titles are :—

- (i) *Aaj*, Hindi-Weekly (1946-1975);
- (ii) *Abhudaya*, Hindi-Weekly (1946-1947);
- (iii) *Adhikar*, Hindi-Daily (1945-1947);
- (iv) *Aryavrat*, Hindi-Daily (1945-1989);
- (v) *Hindu Punch*, Hindi-Weekly (1927-1930);
- (vi) *Hunkar*, Hindi-Weekly (1945-1951);
- (vii) *Karmbhumi*, Hindi-Weekly (1945-1951);
- (viii) *Pratap*, Hindi-Daily (1945-1950).

(b) **Private Papers :** 4043 letters of litterateurs viz. Mahavir Prasad Dwivedi, Premchand, Suryakant Tripathi "Nirala", Ram Dhari Singh "Dinkar", etc.

(c) **Manuscripts :** 12,000 manuscripts in Pali, Prakrit, Hindi and Sanskrit languages pertaining to *ayurveda*, literature, astrology, Vedic literature, etc.

(d) Others : Photographs and portraits of poets, litterateurs, statesmen, journalists are available.

Finding Aids : Published *Catalogues of Manuscripts* are available.

Access : Collections at the Sangrahalaya can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities : Facilities for typing and xeroxing are available. Lodging facilities are also available.

Significant Holdings :

- (i) *Gunavali* by Hem Sunder
(Rajasthani manuscript pertaining to Jain philosophy) 1676 V.S. (1637 AD) Accession No. 8124/4597.
- (ii) *Prabhati Gāutamashtak* by Samay Sunder
(Hindi manuscript pertaining to spiritualism) 1909 V.S. (1852 A.D.) Accession No. 8946/5326.

Address : P. O. Box No. 8, 12, Sammelan Marg, Allahabad-211 005.

**KANHAIYALAL MANIKLAL MUNSHI HINDI ATHA
BHASHA VIJNAN VIDYAPITH**

Established : 1953

Status : Semi-Public

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Vidyapith was established under the auspices of Agra University primarily for the propagation and development of Hindi language and literature. The Institute offers teaching and research facilities to post-graduate, doctoral and post-doctoral students and researchers in linguistics, ancient and modern Indian languages, European languages, comparative literature, etc. It has in its custody more than 2,000 palm leaf, birch bark and paper manuscripts and also a microfilm collection containing rare manuscripts, besides audio visual material containing speeches and reminiscences of eminent litterateurs and poets. It organises seminars and symposia for the development of Hindi language and literature. It has published 19 titles in Hindi literature including a critical edition of *Sur Sagar*. It also brings out a research journal entitled *Bhartiya Sahitya*.

Collection(s)

(a) Records/Documents :

Kharitas of various princely states of Rajasthan.

(b) Private Papers :

- (i) Padma Singh Sharma Collection;
- (ii) Som Nath Collection;
- (iii) Vishwanath Collection;
- (iv) Vrindaban Das Collection.

(c) Manuscripts :

2,000 palm leaf, birch bark, and paper manuscripts in Hindi, Sanskrit, Tamil, Pali, Urdu, Oriya, Bengali, Assamese, etc. relating to religion, literature, astrology, philosophy, veterinary sciences, etc.

(d) Microfilms :

30 microfilm rolls containing manuscript copies of *Sur Sagar* acquired from different parts of country as well as abroad.

(e) Others : Audio-cassettes containing interviews of eminent Hindi litterateurs viz. Pandit Makhan Lal Chaturvedi, Pandit , Hazari , Prasad , Dwivedi, Pandit Vishwanath Prasad Mishra, Dr. S. M. Katre, etc.

Finding Aids : Published *Catalogue of Manuscripts* is available.

Access : Collections can be consulted by scholars with prior permission and on payment of prescribed fees.

Services/Facilities : Facilities for typing, xeroxing, microfilm reader and translation are available. Lodging facilities are also available.

Significant Holdings :

- (i) *Vijay Muktavali* by Chatra Kavi (manuscript) 1757 V.S. (1700 A.D.);
- (ii) *Chand Ratnavali* by Jugatrai (Pingal manuscript) 1723 V.S. (1666 A.D.);
- (iii) *Sur Sugar* (manuscript in microfilm acquired from various sources in India and abroad).

Address : Agra University, Agra-282 004.

NAGARJUNA BUDDHIST FOUNDATION

Established : 1978

Status : Public Trust

Brief History and Activities :

The Institute was established to promote **Indo-logical Studies**. It has in its possession **manu-cripts** relating to various subjects. It **organises seminars and workshops on Buddhist Studies** and also **preservation of manuscripts**. It has also brought out many publications mainly on **Buddhist Studies**. A quarterly journal entitled *Prajnaloka* is also being brought out by the Foundation. The Foundation imparts vocational training in the field of preservation of manuscripts and conducts short term **Diploma Course/Workshop on preservation techniques of Buddhist manuscripts**.

Collection(s)**(a) Private Papers :**

- (i) Kamlesh Shukla Collection (1958-1965) comprising of his correspondence on political and literary activities with Madhu Limaye, Shri Kant Varma, Chandrakanta Devatala, etc.
- (ii) S. N. Sharma Collection (1955-1970) comprising of his correspondence with international agencies/personalities.
- (iii) Onkar Nath Puri Collection comprising of his correspondence on academic and philosophical activities with Bhishma Sahani, Acharya Vinoba Bhave, Atal Bihari Vajpayee, etc.

(b) Manuscripts :

3,931 manuscript pertaining to Vedic literature, astrology, various systems of Indian philosophy, lexicography, etc.

(c) Microfilms :

23 microfilm rolls containing Buddhist manuscript pertaining to Mahayana Buddhist canonical literature.

Finding Aids :

Lists of the holdings are available.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars with prior permission.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for typing, xeroxing and translation are available. Lodging facilities are also available.

Address : 18, Andhiari Bagh, Gorakhpur-273 001.

RAJKIYA PANDULIPI PUSTAKALAYA

Established : 1973

Status : Public

Brief History and Activities :

The Rajkiya Pandulipi Pustakalaya (State Manuscript Library) functions under the aegis of Uttar Pradesh State Archives. The Library houses more than 11,000 manuscripts including palm leaf manuscripts in Sanskrit, Hindi, Marathi, Tamil, Bengali, Persian, Arabic and Urdu languages.

Collection(s)

Manuscripts :

11,000 palm leaf and paper manuscripts in Sanskrit, Hindi, Marathi, Tamil, Bengali, Persian, Arabic and Urdu languages relating to religion, philosophy, history, literature, etc. Some of the manuscripts are illustrated.

Finding Aids :

Catalogue of Manuscripts is available.

Access :

The Collection can be consulted by scholars.

Significant Holdings :

- (i) *Purushottam Mahatmya*
(Sanskrit manuscript on palm leaf relating to religious philosophy).
- (ii) *Mirat-ul-Aqaalim*
(Persian manuscript relating to history).

Address : Block No. 9-12, Baghambari Avas Yojana, Allahpur, Allahabad-211 005.

RAMPUR RAZA LIBRARY

Established : 1974

Status : Public

Brief History and Activities :

The Library was established by the erstwhile rulers of Rampur for housing their personal collection of books. In 1951 it was donated to the Government of Uttar Pradesh by Nawab Raza Ali Khan. Later, the Government of India took over this Library and declared it as an Institution of National Importance on 1 July, 1975 through an Act of Parliament. The Library has a unique and rare collection of manuscripts in Arabic, Persian, Sanskrit, Pushto, Urdu, Hindi and Malayalam languages. It also has a rich collection of rare miniature paintings belonging to Mughal, Iranian, Rajput and Kangra Schools. The Library has brought out 20 publications on Indian history and culture.

Collection(s)

- (a) Newspapers, etc. :
- (i) *Dabdab-i-Sikandri*, Urdu-Weekly, Rampur (1867-1938);
 - (ii) *Awadh Punch*, Urdu-Weekly, Lucknow (1908-1931);
 - (iii) *Rampur State Gazette*, Rampur. (1889-1949);
 - (iv) *Awadh Akhbar*, Urdu-Weekly, Lucknow (1928-1929);
 - (v) *Sholae Tur*, Urdu-Weekly, Kanpur (1861);
 - (vi) *Aminul Akhbar*, Urdu-Weekly, Allahabad (1859);
 - (vii) *Jalwa-i-Tur*, Urdu-Weekly, Meerut (1866);
 - (viii) *Mufid-i-Aam*, Urdu-Weekly, Agra (1873);
 - (ix) *Urdu Akhbar*. Urdu-Weekly, Delhi (1874);
 - (x) *Samshul Akhbar*, Urdu-Weekly, Madras (1866-1870);
 - (xi) *Kohinoor*, Urdu-Weekly, Lahore (1869).

- (b) Manuscripts :** Collection of 15,000 manuscripts which include personal libraries of Nawab of Loharu and Nawabs of Awadh. The manuscripts are in Arabic, Persian, Urdu, Sanskrit, Hindi, Pushto, Turkish languages.
- (e) Others :** Collection of 300 paintings representing various Indian Schools viz. Mughal, Rajput, Kangra, etc.
- Finding Aids :** Published *Catalogues* of Arabic and Urdu manuscripts are available.
- Access :** Collections can be consulted by scholars with prior permission.
- Services/Facilities :** Facilities for xeroxing are available. Lodging facilities are also available.
- Significant Holdings :**
- (i) *Dasturul-Albad Fi Ilmil Hisab* (Persian manuscript on arithmetic);
 - (ii) *Tafsirul Quran* by Sufyan Thauri;
 - (iii) *Waqat-i-Alamshahi* (a diary of Prem Kishore Firaqi giving the daily accounts of the Court of Shah Alam II).

Address : Hamid Manzil, Rampur-244 901.

SAYAJIRAO GAEKWAD GRANTHALAYA (BANARAS HINDU UNIVERSITY)

Established : 1918

Status : Public

Brief History and Activities :

The Library constitutes the Central Library of Kashi Hindu Vishwavidayala (Banaras Hindu University) which was founded by Mahamana Madan Mohan Malaviya in 1918. The Library has in its custody around 7 lakh books and 7,000 manuscripts.

Collection(s)

- (a) Manuscripts :** 7,000 manuscripts on various branches of Indology.
- (b) Microfilms :** Microfilm rolls containing the following newspapers :
- (i) *Leader* (1909-1950);
 - (ii) *Hindustan Times* (1924-1965);
 - (iii) *National Herald* (1938-1940);
 - (iv) *Amrit Bazar Patrika* (1905-1940).

Finding Aids : Published *Catalogue of Manuscripts* are available.

Access : Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities : Facilities for xeroxing and microfilm reader are available.

Address : Varanasi-221 005.

SIR SYED ACADEMY

Established : 1974

Status : Public

Brief History and Activities :

Sir Syed Academy was established to conduct research on the life, works and achievements of Sir Syed Ahmad Khan. Its constituent bodies are : Sir Syed Memorial Library, Sir Syed Memorial Museum, University Archives and Picture Gallery. The Archives houses official records of the Muhammadan Anglo-Oriental College and the Aligarh Muslim University, while the Picture Gallery contain photographs of Sir Syed Ahmad Khan and his contemporary personalities/events. The Academy also organises Sir Syed Memorial Lectures annually in order to promote goodwill and understanding among the people of the nation. The Academy has brought out a number of publications mainly comprising of selections from Archives holdings.

Collection(s)

(a) Records/Documents :

9,000 files (1863-1946) comprising documents relating to the history of Muhammadan Anglo-Oriental College, Aligarh (Aligarh Muslim University).

(b) Others :

Collection of photographs of Sir Syed Ahmad Khan and his associates and also photographs illustrating various phases of development of Aligarh Muslim University.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for translation are available. Boarding and lodging facilities are also available.

Address : Sir Syed House, Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh-202 002.

SYED KHAIRAT ALI LIBRARY (IDARA-I-HAMADANIYA)

Established : 1965

Status : Private

Brief History and Activities :

The Idara was established by Hakim Syed Muhammad Riazuddin Hussain to house the private papers and works of Hazrat Mir Syed Ali Hamadani, a great scholar who hailed from Hamadan (Iran). Its Library houses rare books, journals and manuscripts. The Idara has a regular publication programme and has published many research works.

Collection(s)

- (a) **Records/Documents :** *Parwanas, Reports, Sale Deeds, Agreements (1622-1842).*
- (b) **Newspapers, etc. :** *Akhbarul Akhyar, Urdu newspaper; (1872) and few periodicals on theology and Tibb medicine.*
- (c) **Private Papers :** *Papers of Syed Mohammed Kamaluddin Hussain, Tahsildar and Deputy Collector, Mathura (1867-1875).*
- (a) **Manuscripts :** *18 manuscripts in Urdu and Persian relating to literature, religion, theology, history, etc.*

Access :

The Collections can be consulted by scholars with prior permission.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for lodging are available.

Significant Holdings :

- (i) *Majalis ul Mominin* by Qazi Syed Noorullah Shustari (Persian manuscript relating to the history of the Shias).
- (ii) *Diwan-i-Hafiz* (Persian manuscript relating to classical poetry).

Address : Imambara Syed Khairat Ali, Garhi, P. O. Jalali, District Aligarh-202 128.

WEST BENGAL

BENGAL ENGINEERING COLLEGE**Established : 1856****Status : Public****Brief History and Activities :**

The College was established in 1856 as a Civil Engineering College, Calcutta. During 1865-1879 it worked as an adjunct of Presidency College, Calcutta. In 1880 it was shifted to the premises of Bishop's College at Shibpur, near Calcutta. It was known as Civil Engineering College, Shibpur during 1880-1921. In 1921 its nomenclature was changed to Bengal Engineering College. The College has in its custody papers of eminent scientists comprising of their personal papers and scientific contributions. The College also has in its custody valuable collection of journals and reports published by a number of scientific societies and organisations across the world. It also brings out a journal entitled *Journal of Technology*.

Collection(s)**(a) Records/Documents :**

Minutes, reports, records, abstracts, memoirs etc. on scientific disciplines viz.

- (i) Philosophical Transaction of the Royal Society of London, 1665-1920;
- (ii) Minutes/Transactions/Proceedings of the Institution of Civil Engineers (London), 1837-1935);
- (iii) Report of the Ordnance Survey Commission (London) 1858;
- (iv) Minutes and Proceedings of the Punjab Engineering Congress, 1916-1940;
- (v) Records of Geological Survey of India, 1868-1924;
- (vi) Indian Meteorological Memoirs, 1876-1902;
- (vii) Report of Education Commission, 1884;
- (viii) Proceedings of the Bengal Legislative Council, 1921-1939;
- (ix) Memoirs of the Archaeological Survey of India, 1919-1921;

(x) Proceedings of the Institution of Mechanical Engineers, 1884-1958).

(b) Newspapers, etc. : 45 journals mostly devoted to engineering science. These include :

(i) *Civil Engineer and Architect's Journal* (1837-1867);

(ii) *The Engineer* (1856-1864);

(iii) *Mechanics Magazine* (1823-1964);

(iv) *The Journal of Physical Chemistry* (1906-1929).

(c) Private Papers : Collections of papers on various scientific subjects which include :

(i) James Prescott Joule Papers, 1884;

(ii) J. W. Strutt Papers, 1899-1912;

(iii) J. W. Gibbs Papers, 1906.

Finding Aids : Lists of holdings are available.

Access : Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities : Facilities for xeroxing, microfilm reader as well as lodging are available.

Address : Shibpur, Howrah-711 103.

BISHOP'S COLLEGE

Established : 1820

Status : Private

Brief History and Activities :

The College has its origin in the proposal for the construction of a Theological College put forth by the Archbishop of Canterbury at a meeting held at St. Martin Library, Westminster (United Kingdom) on 13 March, 1818. The College was established at Shibpur, near Calcutta and it started functioning in 1824. In 1883 it was shifted to its present site. The College has in its custody Church documents.

Collection(s)

Records/Documents : Documents pertaining to Church of ecclesiastical interest.

Finding Aids : Alphabetical typed list of the holdings is available.

Access : The Collection at the College can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities : Facilities for lodging are available.

Address : 224, Acharya J. C. Bose Road, Calcutta-700 017.

BOTANICAL SURVEY OF INDIA

Established : 1890

Status : Public

Brief History and Activities :

The Botanical Survey of India has its origin in Royal Botanic Gardens, Shibpur (founded in 1787 and re-christened as Indian Botanic Garden in 1950). In 1890 Botanical Survey of India was established to intensify botanical exploration and also to coordinate scientific activities of the provincial botanical departments involved in botanical investigations. The Survey has in its possession pre-Linnenan and Linnaeus publications on botanical literature (prior to 1753) and correspondence files. The Survey Library has a rich collection of classical botanical literature, besides maps and personal papers of eminent botanists. It has a publication programme and brings out *Newsletter* and *Bulletin of Botanical Survey of India*.

Collection(s)**(a) Records/Documents :**

Correspondence files.

(b) Private Papers :

Correspondence files of eminent botanists viz., Ledgers compiled by Sir George Watt (housed in Industrial Section, Indian Museum, Calcutta).

(c) Manuscripts :

Maps and manuscripts of botanists.

(d) Others :

Microfiches of botanical specimens in the custody of 27 leading herbaria in Europe and United States of America.

Finding Aids :

Catalogues of holdings are available.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars with prior permission.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for xeroxing and microfilm reader are available. Lodging facilities are also available.

Significant Holdings :

200 boxes of ledgers compiled by Sir George Watt, founder of Industrial Section, Indian Museum, Calcutta.

Address : P-8, Brabourne Road, Calcutta-700 001.

CENTRE FOR STUDIES IN SOCIAL SCIENCES

Established : 1973

Status : Autonomous

Brief History and Activities :

The Centre was established for conducting research in various disciplines of social sciences viz. economics, geography, history, political science, sociology and social anthropology, etc. The Centre also maintains a specialised Library and publishes monographs and occasional papers from time to time.

Collection(s)

Microfilms :

17 microfilm rolls containing parliamentary papers, manuscripts, historical accounts, etc. acquired from various sources, viz.

- (i) Parliamentary Papers relating to Indian Factories Act, 1881 and Factory Labour Commission, 1908;
- (ii) Fullerton's Report, 1785 (Military Sundry Volume 66);
- (iii) *Fathia Abriyya* (manuscript);
- (iv) *Muzaffar Namah* (manuscript);
- (v) Report on the Mutiny in Azamgarh (12 August-10 October 1857);
- (vi) Report of Select Committee on the Depreciation of Silver, 1876.

Finding Aids :

Card Indexes to its holdings are available.

Access :

The Collection can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for xeroxing and microfilm reader are available.

Address : 10, Lake Terrace, Calsutta-700 029.

**DEPARTMENT OF ANCIENT INDIAN HISTORY,
CULTURE AND ARCHAEOLOGY (VISVA-BHARATI)**

Established : 1952

Status : Public

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Department has a wing for the collection of antiquities, manuscripts, estampages and private papers. It has also brought out Catalogues of the collections of sculptures, terracottas, wooden works, etc.

Collection(s)

Private Papers :

Shri H. D. Mitra Collection relating to the history of medieval Bengal containing estampages.

Access :

The Collection can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for typing, xeroxing are available. Lodging facilities are also available.

Address : Vidya Bhavana, Visva-Bharati, Santiniketan-751 756.

GOETHALS LIBRARY

Established : 1901

Status : Public

Brief History and Activities :

The Library of St. Xavier's College was established by Archbishop Rev. Goethals of Calcutta Archdiocese. It has a good collection of newspapers and journals pertaining to the history of India, 17th-19th centuries.

Collection(s)

(a) Newspapers, etc. : More than 200 titles of journals/newspapers. Some of the important titles are :

- (i) *The Bengal Catholic Expositor* (1839-1841) and its successor journals viz. *The Bengal Catholic Herald*, *The Indo-European Correspondence*, (1866-1902), (1841-1865), *The Catholic Herald* (1903-1925);
- (ii) *Ceylon Antiquary and Literary Register*, (1915-1924);
- (iii) *Ceylon Literary Register* (1931-1937);
- (iv) *Franciscan Annals of India* (1910-1919);
- (v) *Asiatique* (1821, 1962-1968);
- (vi) *The Madras Catholic Directory and the General Annual Register*, (1863-1911);
- (vii) *Madras Catholic Expositor*, (1841-1849).

(b) Manuscripts :

Manuscripts of works of J. Hosten, S.J.

Finding Aids :

A Descriptive Catalogue of Christian Missionary Records in Calcutta and around, edited by Prof N. R. Ray, containing details regarding manuscripts of J. Hosten, S.J. is available.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities :

Facilities for typing and xeroxing are available.

Address : St. Xavier's College, 30 Park Street, Calcutta-700 016.

ISLAMIC SOCIETY FOR SCIENCE AND CULTURE

Established : 1978

Status : Registered Society

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Society was established in 1978 as an All India Muslim Science Society and in 1982 it adopted the present nomenclature. It promotes science education among the Muslims. The Society organises conferences, seminars, training camps for students and workshops on subjects of social interest. It brings out a monthly Newsletter and a quarterly journal *The Islamic Science and Culture*.

Collection(s)

Private Papers :

Justice S. A. Masud Collection.

Finding Aids :

Lists of the Collection are available.

Access :

The Collection can be consulted by scholars.

Address : 33/1, Alimuddin Street, Calcutta-700 016.

**MANUSCRIPT SECTION (DEPARTMENT OF
BENGALI, NORTH BENGAL UNIVERSITY)**

Established : 1972

Status : Public

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Manuscript Section of the Department of Bengali has in its custody over 1500 manuscripts relating to literature and religion.

Collection(s)

Manuscripts :

1500 manuscripts in Bengali and Sanskrit languages relating to literature and religion.

Finding Aids :

List of Manuscripts is available. Descriptive Catalogue of Manuscripts is under preparation.

Access :

The Collection can be consulted by scholars.

Address : North Bengal University, Rajarammohunpur,
District Darjeeling-734 430.

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF EDUCATION, BENGAL

Established : 1906

Status : Autonomous

Brief History and Activities :

The Council was established in 1906 in the wake of nationalist upsurge following the Partition of Bengal in 1905. Its founding fathers included celebrities such as Sri Aurobindo, Rash Behari Ghosh, Rabindranath Tagore, Satis Chandra Mukherjee, Raja Subodh Chandra Mallik, Goorodas Bannerjee, Abdul Rasul and Bipin Chandra Pal. As early as 1906, the Council founded the Bengal Technical Institute, which was rechristened as College of Engineering and Technology in 1928. The Council at present runs various educational institutions from Nursery to University level. Besides, it also imparts professional education through organisations such as Institute of Business Management, Teachers' Training College of Education (both under Jadavpur University). It is also engaged in a Research Project entitled Jatiya Abhidhan (National Dictionary of Bengali language, based on historical principles, giving synonyms in at least 16 Indian languages and 6 European languages). The Archives Section of the Council has in its custody manuscripts, newspapers and journals. The Council has also brought out 7 publications in Bengali and English pertaining to education and history.

Collection(s)**(a) Records/Documents :**

Minutes and Proceedings of the National Council of Education, Bengal, 1906 to date.

(b) Newspapers, etc. :

2,100 titles of journals/newspapers which include :—

- (i) *Bande Mataram*, English-Daily (1907-1908);
- (ii) *The Dawn* (1897-1905);
- (iii) *The Digdarshan* (1818);
- (iv) *Jnansancharini Patrika* (1848).

- (c) Private Papers :**
- (i) Jatindramohan Collection comprising Bengali newspapers;
 - (ii) Kalicharan Ghosh Collection comprising of newspapers clippings, etc.

(d) Microfilms : 46 microfilm rolls containing 28 manuscripts in Bengali language and the minutes of National Council of Bengal (1906-1912).

Finding Aids : Lists of the holdings are available.

Access : Collections can be consulted by scholars with prior permission.

Significant Holdings : *Bande Mataram*, English-Daily, edited by Sri Aurobindo.

Address : P. O. Jadavpur University, Calcutta-700 032.

NATIONAL LIBRARY**Established : 1903****Status : Public****Brief History and Activities :**

The National Library was established as the Imperial Library in 1903 at Calcutta by the Act of Government in 1902. When the Imperial Library was founded it took over the holdings of the Calcutta Public Library established in 1836 and the Imperial Secretariat Library. In 1948 it became National Library and was housed at the present building at Belvedere. The Delivery of Books and Periodicals Act of 1945 made it one of the four depository libraries in the country. The Library also acts as depository of United Nations Publications. The Library also offers inter-library loan service covering libraries in India and abroad.

Collection(s)

- (a) **Manuscripts :** 800 titles of newspapers in Indian and foreign languages. Total bound volumes 9,285.
- (b) **Private Papers :**
- (i) Sapru Papers;
 - (ii) Moonje Papers;
 - (iii) Jadunath Sarkar-Sardesai Correspondence, 1909-1953;
 - (iv) Letters of Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose to Dr. Ashoke Nath Bose, 1926-1938;
 - (v) Letters of Sarat Chandra Bose to Smt. Gita Bose, 1942-1945.
- (c) **Microfilms/Others :** 3,100 rolls of microfilm and 91,678 microfiche cards containing rare books. 80 computer discs and audio-cassettes are also available.

Finding Aids : Reference media to the collections is available.

Access : Collections can be consulted by scholars with prior permission.

Services/Facilities : Facilities for xeroxing, microfilm reader are available. Lodging facilities are also available.

Address : Belvedere, Calcutta-700 027.

NETAJI RESEARCH BUREAU**Established : 1957****Status : Registered Society****Brief History and Activities :**

The Institute was founded in 1957 in the memory of Shri Subhas Chandra Bose, popularly known as Netaji. It is devoted to the research and studies in history, current affairs, international relations, Indian freedom movement and a Museum enriched with material on Netaji. The Archives of the Institute comprises of letters, documents, books, photographs, films, records, newspapers, tape recorded interviews of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose, etc. It also organises seminars and conferences and has a publication programme with a large number of titles on Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose and his works. The Bureau publishes a quarterly journal entitled *The Oracle*.

Collection(s)

- (a) Newspapers, etc :**
- (i) *Azad Hind*, Monthly, 1942-1944;
 - (ii) *Forward Block : A Political Weekly*, 1939-40;
 - (iii) *The Nation*, Daily, 1948-1950;
 - (iv) *Young India*, Weekly.
- (b) Private Papers :**
- (i) Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose Papers;
 - (ii) Sarat Chandra Bose Papers;
 - (iii) Sisir Kumar Bose Papers;
 - (iv) Bivavati Bose Papers.
- (c) Microfilms/Others :**
- (1) Microfilm rolls containing
 - (i) Material obtained from (a) German Foreign Office (b) Italian Foreign Office; (c) India Office Library;
 - (ii) Newspapers, viz. (a) *Nippon Times* (1942-1944); (b) *Syonan Shinbum* (1942-1944);
 - (iii) Letters of S. C. Bose.
 - (2) Audio Material : Gramophone records and audio cassettes containing speeches, addresses,

radio broadcasts, etc. of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose and music recordings of the Indian National Army are available.

(3) Video Material: in the form of photographs, films and video tapes on Netaji and related events of his life.

Access : Collections can be consulted by scholars with prior permission.

Services/Facilities : Facility for microfilm reader is available.

Address : Netaji Bhawan, 38/2, Lala Lajpat Rai Road,
Calcutta-700 020.

SADHARAN BRAHMO SAMAJ LIBRARY

Established : 1879

Status : Registered Society

**Brief History and
Activities :**

The Library was established in 1879 and has in its custody newspaper clippings, periodicals, rare books and journals. It serves as a centre for research in the 19th century Bengal.

Collection(s)

Newspapers, etc. : 550 journals and periodicals in English and Bengali languages, viz.

- (i) *Asiatic Researches* (English);
- (ii) *Asiatic Journal* (English);
- (iii) *Brahmo Public Opinion* (English);
- (iv) *Banga Darshan* (Bengali);
- (v) *Bambodhini* (Bengali).

Finding Aids :

Catalogue of holdings is available.

Access :

The Collection can be consulted by scholars.

Address : 211, Bidhan Sarani, Calcutta-700 006.

SIKH CULTURAL CENTRE

Established : 1952

Status : Registered Society

Brief History and Activities :

The Sikh Cultural Centre through its journal *The Sikh Review* aims at disseminating authentic information on the Sikh theology, history, tradition and ethics. The Centre has in its possession manuscripts of the Sikh scriptures, ethics and history.

Collection(s)

(a) Private Papers : (i) Sardar Kapur Singh, I.C.S. Collection.
(ii) Dr. Ganda Singh Collection.

(b) Manuscripts : Sikh scriptures of various periods.

Finding Aids : List of holdings are under compilation.

Access : Collections can be consulted by scholars.

Services/Facilities : Facilities for typing and xeroxing are available.

Address : 116, Karnani Mansion, 25-A Park Street, Calcutta-700 016.

VICTORIA MEMORIAL HALL

Established : 1921

Status : Public

Brief History and Activities :

The idea of founding 'Victoria Museum' as a 'Period Museum' of medieval and modern Indian history was conceived by Lord Curzon. The foundation stone was laid by Queen Victoria's grandson, the Prince of Wales (later King George V) on January 1906. It was opened to public in 1921 and declared an Institute of national importance by an Act of 1935. It houses a very fine collection of paintings, sculptures, weapons, manuscripts, documents, maps, coins, stamps, textiles, artefacts and various other memorabilia of the Raj. It has a Research Library catering to the needs of research scholars and has published titles comprising of catalogue, pictorial albums, select documents, etc.

Collection(s)**(a) Records/Documents :**

Treaties, *Sanads*, *Farmans*, letters, minutes, etc. of Nawabs of Bengal/British Government (1758-1857); documents of *Sadr Diwani Adalat* (High Court Documents).

(b) Private Papers :

(i) Justice Hyde Papers, 1777-1798, containing Notes and Reports;

(ii) Richard Barwell's correspondence.

(c) Microfilms :

195 rolls of microfilms containing :

(i) Justice Hyde Papers;

(ii) High Court Documents;

(iii) Calcutta Corporation Records;

(iv) Calcutta Town Commissioner's General Report.

Finding Aids :

Catalogues of Documents are available.

Access :

Collections can be consulted by scholars with prior permission.

Services/Facilities :

Microfilm reader is available.

Significant Holdings :

(i) Documents pertaining to indictment of Maharaja Nanda Kumar, 7 July 1795;

(ii) Treaty of Peace between Warren Hastings and Tipu Sultan, 11 March 1784.

Address : 1, Queen's Way, Calcutta-700 071.

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LIST OF CUSTODIAL INSTITUTIONS NOT INCLUDED IN THE VOLUME

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1. Deccan Geographical Society, 120-A Nehru Nagar (East), Secunderabad-500 026.
2. District Central Library, Eluru-534 006.
3. District Central Library, Kakinada-533 001.
4. District Central Library, Khammam-507 001.
5. District Central Library, Kurnool-518 001.
6. District Central Library, Machilipatnam-521 001.
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8. District Central Library, Nizamabad-503 001.
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11. District Central Library, Srikakulam-532 001.
12. District Central Library, Vizianagaram-531 001.
13. District Central Library, Warangal-506 002.
14. Government Mobile Library, Eluru-534 006.
15. Government Regional Library, Visakhapatnam-530 016.
16. Henry Martyn Institute of Islamic Studies, P.O. Box No. 153, Nampally Station Road, Hyderabad-500 001.
17. Sanskrit Academy, Osmania University, Hyderabad-500 007.
18. Sri Venkateswara University Library, Tirupati-517 502.
19. West Godavari District Collectorate, Eluru-534 006.

ASSAM

20. Assam Agricultural University, Jorhat-785 013.
21. Assam State Museum, Dighalipukhuri Par, Guwahati-781 001.
22. Department of History, Dibrugarh University, Dibrugarh-786 004.

BIHAR

23. Ganesh Dutta College, Begusarai-851 101.
24. Gandhi Sangrahalaya, Ashok Rajpath, Patna-800 001.
25. Gossner Evangelical Lutheran Church, Ranchi-834 001.

DELHI

26. Dargah Hazrat Shah Abul Khair, 2357, Shah Abul Khair Marg, Delhi-110 006.
27. Ghalib Academy, Basti Hazrat Nizamuddin, New Delhi-110 003.
28. Institute of Constitutional and Parliamentary Studies, 18-21 Vithalblai Patel House, Rafi Marg, New Delhi-110 001.
29. National Institute of Health and Family Welfare, Near D.D.A. Flats, Munirka, New Delhi-110 067.

GUJARAT

30. Acharya Maharaj Shree Swami Narayan Mandir, Vaduvan-391 460.
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32. Narsinh Maheta Chora Trust, Junagadh-362 001.
33. Shri Bet Devasthan Samiti, Shri Dwarkadhishji Temple, Bet Shankhodwar, via Okha Port-361 225.
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35. Shri Jain Shwetamber Murtipujak Tapgachh Sangh, Vaniawad, Mota Deka, Bhuj-370 001.
36. Shri Swami Narayan Temple, Muti, Surendranagar-363 001.
37. South Gujarat University, University Campus, Surat-395 007.
38. Sudama Temple, Porbandar-360 575.

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39. Archives Cell, Kurukshetra University Library, Kurukshetra-132 119.
40. Commissioner's Office, Hissar Division, Hissar-125 001.
41. Deputy Commissioner's Office, Hissar-125 001.
42. Krishi Gyan Kendra, Haryana Agricultural University, Hissar-125 001.

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43. Government Post-Graduate College, Dharmshala-176 125.
44. Himachal Academy of Arts, Culture and Languages, Sangarmal Bhavan, Shimla-171 001.
45. Mata Shri Vrajeshwari Devi Mandir Trust, Kangra-176 001.

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46. Arpaneshwar Mahadev Mandir, Mantalai-182 141.
47. Shri Ranbir Kendriya Sanskrit Vidyapeetha, 304-A, Shastri Nagar, Jammu-180 001.

KARNATAKA

48. Indian Institute of World Culture, 6, Shri B. P. Wadia Road, Bangalore-560 004.
49. Rashtrakavi Govinda Pai Samshodhana Kendra, M. G. M. College Campus, Kunjibettu. Udupi-576 102.
50. Shri Amarenarayanawamy Temple, Kaiwara-563 128.
51. Shri Hombuja Jain Math, Hombuja-577 436.

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52. Chandraprabha Digambara Jain Basti Devaswom Trust, Manikapatnam Jain Medu, Palghat-678 012.
53. Department of Malayalam Lexicon, University of Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram-695 034.
54. Diocese of Palghat, Bishop's Office, Palghat-678 014.
55. Directorate of Museum and Zoo, Government of Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram-695 001.
56. Government Victoria College, Palghat-678 014.
57. Information Centre, Public Relations Department, Government of Kerala, Press Club Building, Thiruvananthapuram-695 001.
58. Kerala Grandhasala Sangham, Thiruvananthapuram-695 033.
59. Krishna Menon Memorial Government Women's College, Cannanore-670 004.
60. Mahatma Gandhi University, Priyadarshini Hills, P.O. Athirampuzha, Kottayam-686 562.
61. Malabar Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box No. 1113, Cherooty Road, Calicut-673 032.
62. Office of the Superintendent, State Museum and Zoo, Trichur-680 001.
63. Palghat Educational and Cultural Council, Jawahar Bala Bhavan, Palghat-678 007.
64. Shri Ongallur Thaliyil Ganapathi Devaswom, P.O. Kalladipatta (via Patkambi)-679 303.

65. Shri Triikkaikat Madam, P.O. Pariyapuram (via Tanur)-676 505.
66. Shri Vallikadkav Temple, Edakkara, P.O. Edakkara (via Chelannur)-673 616.
67. St. Mary's Forane Church, Kanjoor-683 575.
68. St. Mary's Forane Church, Koratty-680 308.
69. St. Thomas College, Kozhencheri-689 641.
70. St. Thomas College, Ranni, P.O. Pazhavangadi-689 673.
71. Travancore Cements Limited, P.O. Natakomb, Kottayam-686 013.

MADHYA PRADESH

72. Motilal Nehru Smarak Pustakalaya, Hindi Bhawan, Akashvani Road, Bhopal-462 001.

MAHARASHTRA

73. Anjuman-i-Islam Urdu Research Institute, 92, Dadabhoy Naoroji Road, Bombay-400 001.
74. District Collector's Office, Akola-444 001.
75. District Collector's Office, Sholapur-413 001.
76. Prince of Wales Museum of Western India, Fort, Bombay-400 023.
77. Shri Shivrul Ramchand Wachanalaya, Taluka Library, Madha-413 209.
78. Tilak Maharashtra Vidyapeeth, Tilak Vidyapeeth Bhawan, Gultekadi, Pune-411 037.

ORISSA

79. All India Sarna Dhorem Chemet Asra (Asrom), Bodkedom, Mayurbhanj-757 103.
80. Collector's Office, Ganjam, P.O. Chatrapur, Ganjam-761 020.
81. Ramrajya, SCTI Road, Koraput-764 020.

PONDICHERRY

82. Romain Rolland Library, Ranga Pillai Street, Pondicherry-605 001.

RAJASTHAN

83. Mandir Mangal, Nathdwara-313 301.
84. Shri Narsingh Mandir, Holi Darha, Ajmer-305 001.
85. Vanasthali Vidyapeeth, Banasthali-304 022.

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87. Collector's Office, Coimbatore District, Coimbatore-641 001.
88. Collector's Office, Dindigul Quaid-e-Milleth District, Dindigul-624 010.
89. Collector's Office, Kanyakumari District, Nagercoil-629 001.
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95. Gandhi Niketan Ashram, Kallupatti-626 702.
96. Gandhi Seva Sangam, P.O. Chatrapatty, Palani-624 614.
97. Gandhigram Institute of Rural Health and Family Welfare Trust, Ambathurai, Dindigul-624 309.
98. Gandhigram Rural Institute, Gandhigram-624 302.
99. International Institute of Tamil Studies, C.P.T. Campus, P.O. T.T.T.I., Tharamani, Madras-600 113.
100. Institute of Traditional Cultures of South and South East Asia, 4, University Buildings, Chepauk, Madras-600 005.
101. Madras Chamber of Commerce and Industry, 41 Kasturi Ranga Road, Alwarpet, Madras-600 018.
102. Mother Teresa Women's University, Kodaikanal-621 402.
103. Pudukkottai Devasthanams, Pudukkottai-622 001.
104. School of Historical Studies, Madurai Kamaraj University, Pal-kalai Nagar, Madurai-625 021.
105. Society of South India History, 3 D/2 Bye pass Road, Velur (Salem)-638 182.

UTTAR PRADESH

106. Kendriya Nehru Smarak Parishad, 3, Kaiser Bagh, Lucknow-226 003.
107. Numismatic Society of India. P.O. Hindu University, Varanasi-221 005.

108. P. K. Lok Vikas Sansthan, Uttar Pradesh, P.O. Kashirampur (Kalpi)-285 204.
109. Shri Ambedkar Pustakalaya, Shaheed Ramswaroop Jatav Marg, Hapur-254 101.

WEST BENGAL

110. Asutosh Museum of Indian Art, Centenary Building, College Street, Calcutta-700 073.
111. Gurusaday Museum, Bratacheri Gram, P.O. Joka, 24 Parganas (South)-743 512.
112. Indira Cultural Organisation, 15. Hafeez Mohammad Isak Road, Behala, Calcutta-700 082.
113. Jain Bhawan, P-25, Kalakar Street, Calcutta-700 007.
114. Palli Siksha Bhavana (Institute of Agriculture), P.O. Sriniketan-731 236.
115. University of Burdwan, Rajbati, Burdwan-713 104.

GLOSSARY

Abbreviations used are as follows.

(A)=Arabic

(M)=Marathi

(G)=Gujarati

(P)=Persian

(H)=Hindi

(S)=Sanskrit

Aaradhana/Aradhana (H & S)—worship, adoration.

Adhyapan (H)—teaching, work or profession of a teacher.

Ahimsa (H & S)—non-violence.

Anusandhan (H)—investigation, research.

Ashram (H & S)—hermitage; one of the four stages of the life of a Hindu.

Ayurveda (H & S)—science of life; ancient Indian medical science.

Bahis (H)—an account book, a journal, a diary, a ledger.

Bakhar (M)—history, narrative, memoirs.

Bhakti (H & S)—faith, devotion, service.

Bhandar (H & M)—a treasury, a store.

Bhartiya (H)—Indian.

Bhasha (H)—language.

Daftar (M & H)—office.

Darbar (H)—royal court.

Dargah Sharif (P)—shrine/tomb of a Muslim saint or a holy person.

Dewan/Diwan (P)—minister, chief officer of state.

Dharmada (G & H)—religious endowment.

Farman (P)—mandate, order, command, patent.

Granth (H, M & S)—book, voluminous book, treatise.

Granthalaya (H)—library.

Granthottejak (M)—promotion of literature.

Guru (H & S)—preceptor, mentor.

Idara (A)—institution, organisation.

Itihas (H)—history.

Jagadguru (H & S)—arch preceptor.

Jagir (P)—estate received from a ruler as a gift or reward.

Kaifiyat (H & P)—statements, remarks.

Kendra (H)—centre, middle.

- Kharita (H & P)**—envelope of letter especially the ornamental or silk covering of a letter addressed by an Indian noble or a prince to British officials, especially Governor-Generals and Viceroys.
- Kutubkhana (P)**—library, also bookshop.
- Lok (H)**—folk.
- Mahakavi (H & S)**—great poet.
- Maharishi (H & S)**—celebrated sage or saint.
- Mandal (H)**—circle, assembly, organisation, institution.
- Mandir (H)**—temple, place of worship.
- Mantra (H & S)**—Vedic hymns, any sacred verse, esoteric formula.
- Mimansa (H & S)**—system of Hindu philosophy.
- Nyaya (H & S)**—system of Hindu philosophy.
- Panchayat (H)**—a court of arbitration consisting of five or more members chosen by the parties themselves, or appointed by a civil officer of the Government for the determination of petty disputes among the people.
- Pandulipt (H & S)**—manuscript.
- Parishad (H)**—council, board.
- Parwana (P)**—an order, a written precept or command.
- Peeth/Pith (H & S)**—a bench (judiciary), seat of authority and learning.
- Pingal (H & S)**—prosody, a blend of Rajasthani and Braj dialects of Hindi language.
- Prantiya (H)**—provincial, territorial.
- Pratishthan (H)**—establishment, installation.
- Puratatva (H)**—archaeology.
- Pustak (H)**—book.
- Pustakalaya (H)**—library.
- Rojanishi (M)**—daily diaries.
- Sabha (H & M)**—an assembly, an assemblage of persons of rank or respectability, or the place in which they assemble.
- Sahitya (H & S)**—literature.
- Samacharpatra (H & M)**—newspaper, chronicle.
- Samiti (H)**—committee, society.
- Sampradaya (H, M & S)**—religious sect, school of thought.
- Samshodhan (H & M)**—amendment, revision.
- Samstha (H & M)**—institution.
- Samsthan/Sansthan (H & M)**—institute.
- Sanad (A)**—a deed of grant, a diploma, a patent, a charter, a document conferring upon an individual titles, privileges, rights, etc.
- Sangrahalaya (H)**—museum.

- Sankalan* (H & M)—compilation.
- Sankalpa* (H & S)—resolution, determination.
- Sanskriti* (H & S)—culture.
- Sardar* (H & P)—chieftain, leader.
- Sewa* (H)—service, aid.
- Shikshan* (H)—teaching.
- Shodh* (H & S)—research, investigation.
- Smarak* (H)—memorial, monument.
- Smriti* (H & S)—memory, recollection.
- Sutra* (H & S)—formula, aphorism, clue.
- Tantra* (H & S)—occult science.
- Upanishads* (S)—sacred ancient books of Hindu philosophy.
- Vedanta* (S)—Hindu philosophy founded on the Vedas.
- Vedas* (S)—four Hindu scriptures viz Rig Veda, Yajur Veda, Sama Veda, and Atharva Veda, divine knowledge.
- Vedic* (S)—pertaining or relating to Vedas.
- Vidya* (H & S)—Knowledge.
- Vidyapith* (H & S)—house of learning, school.
- Vijyan/Vigyan* (H & S)—science.
- Vishwa/Vishva* (H & S)—universe, world.
- Vishwavidyalaya* (S)—university.

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