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NON-PROFIT INITIATIVES FOR E-PUBLISHING: AN OVERVIEW



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ABSTRACT

Present paper describes the meaning of publishing, e-publishing, categories and types of e-publishing and emphasized on non-profit initiatives available for e-books and e-journals. Paper aims to create awareness of availability of non-profit e-publishing organization amongst the students, teachers and researcher in the higher education.

KEYWORDS :Publishing, e-publishing, e-books, e-journals, types of e-publishing and non-profit initiatives.

INTRODUCTION :

publishing or e-publishing is that the commercial enterprise method wherever the manublockeds square measure submitted in electronic type, edited, written and distributed to readers via computers and also the network of networks of computers. E-publishing are often represented as a method of digital publication of e-books, e-articles, e-journals, e-magazines, e-newspapers and digital distribution of information in offline type i.e. CD-ROMs, DVDs, moveable document files etc.and the development of digital libraries and catalogues. In short it disseminates the information via electronic means such as email, CD-ROM, e-books, electronic articles, electronic journals, online magazines, online newspapers etc. Electronic publishing uses new technology to deliver books and other content to readers and it is a very broad term that includes a variety of different publishing models, including e-books, print-on-demand (POD), email publishing, wireless publishing, electronic ink and web publishing. Library services are changing according to the needs of user and changes in technology. Tools such as smart phones, tablets and iPhone etc. have become increasingly popular amongst user for day to day activities and so are also utilized in library services to reach out the ultimate library user. Libraries have started to examine the possibility of providing more of their content and services via this new platform.



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1. Definitions of the terms

1.1 Publishing

Publishing is that the method of production and dissemination of literature, music or information. - The activity of constructing information accessible to the overall public. In some cases, authors are also their own publishers, meaning: originators and developers of content conjointly offer media to deliver and show the content for constant.

1.2 E-Publishing

Electronic Publishing = Electronic Technology + Computer Technology + Communication Technology + Publishing.

Kist (1989) defined electronic publishing as “the application by publishers of a computer aided process, by which they find, capture, shape, store and update information content in order to disseminate it to a chosen audience”.

2. E-publishing is classified into two general categories

Those in which information is stored in a centralized computer source and delivered to the users by a telecommunications system, including online database services and videotext represents the most active area in E publishing today”, (Online: e-books, e-articles, e-journals, e-magazines, e-newspapers, e-mail publishing etc.) and Information is digitally stored on a disk or other physically deliverable medium. (Offline: CD-ROMs, DVDs, Portable document files (PDF) etc.)

3. Two major Types of e-publishing

3.1 E-Books

“An e-Book is an electronic version of a traditional print book that can be read by using a personal computer or by using an e-Books reader.”

Electronic Book, an e-Book or e-book is a book published in an electronic format that allows instant access to a book by being able to download the book over the Internet. An e-Book can be published in different file formats, for example, plain text, PDF, Rich Text Format, as image files, and others.

3.2. E-Book Formats

There are several e-book formats on the market, including EPUB, Mobipocket (PRC, MOBI), eReader (PDB), Kindle (AZW, KF8) and Apple iBook (EPUB variation). Many e-readers also accept generic formats, including Adobe PDF and plain text (TXT).

3.3 E-journals

“Electronic journals, conjointly called e-journals and electronic serials, square measure studious journals or intellectual magazines that may be accessed via electronic transmission. In apply, this implies that they're typically revealed on the net.

4. Non-Profit Initiatives for e-publishing Books

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Project Gutenberg (PG) may be a volunteer effort to digitise and archive cultural works, to “encourage the creation and distribution of e-Books”. It absolutely was supported in 1971 by Michael S. Hart and is that the oldest digital library. Most of the things in its assortment square measure the

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The website of Online Books Page facilitates access to books that are freely readable over the internet. It also aims to encourage the development of such online books for the benefit of all. The major services of this site includes (i) an index of thousands of online books freely readable on the internet, (ii) pointers to significant directories and archives of online texts, (iii) special exhibits of particularly interesting classes of online books and (iv) information and given a list of E-book publishers or e-book publishing companies.

4.3 Google Books (www.books.google.com)

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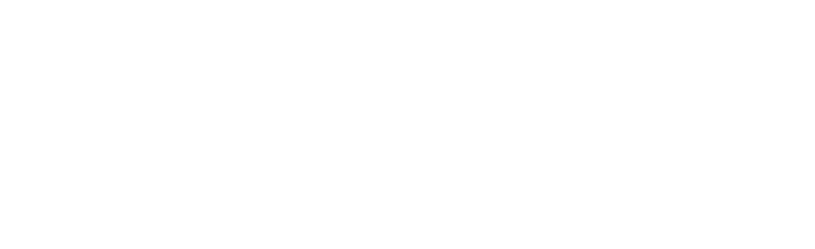
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5.1 Digital Library of India(<http://www.tictocs.ac.uk/index.php?action=start>)

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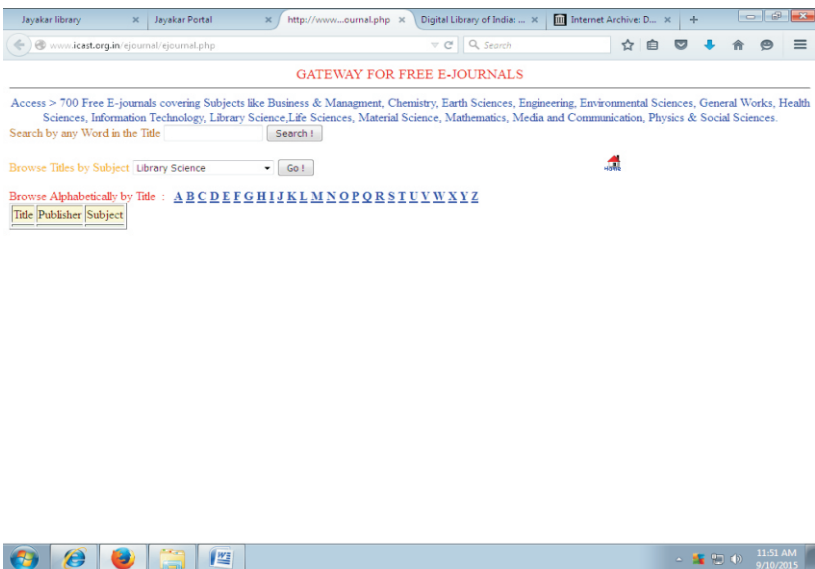
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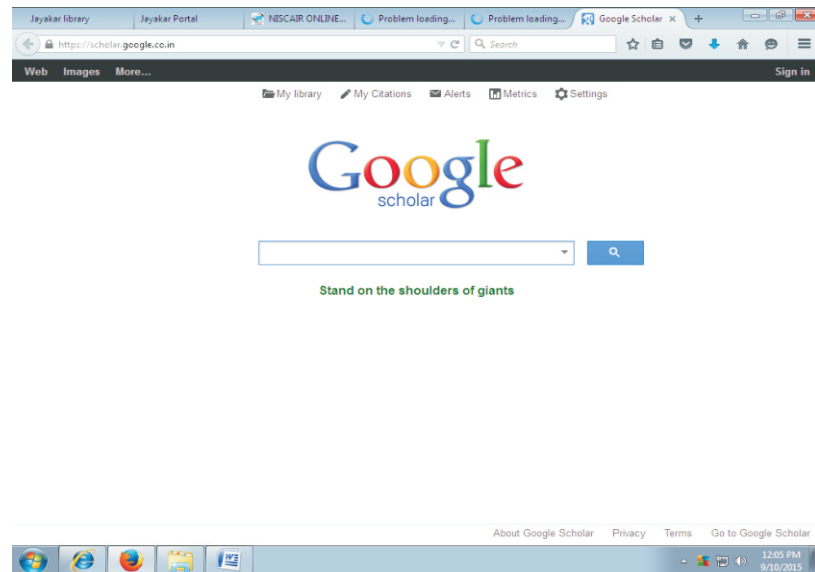
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Gateway for Free E-Journals

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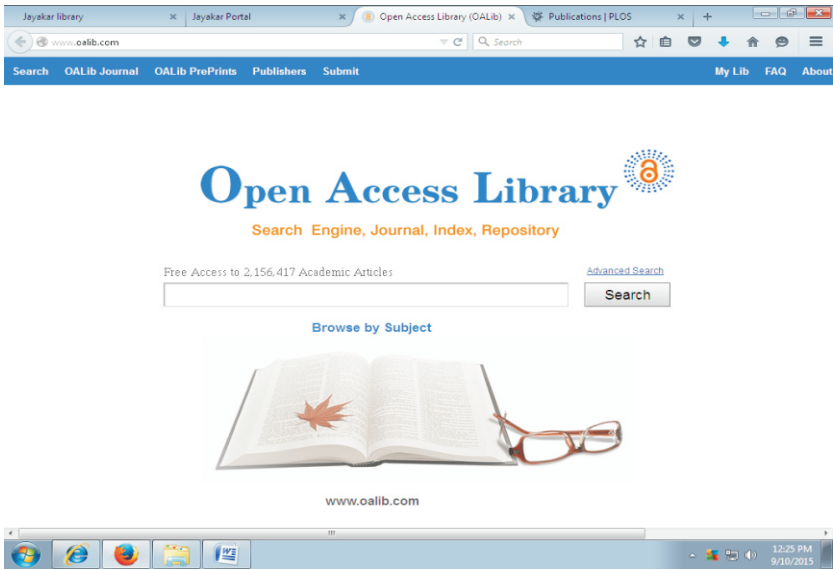


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5.4 Open Access Library

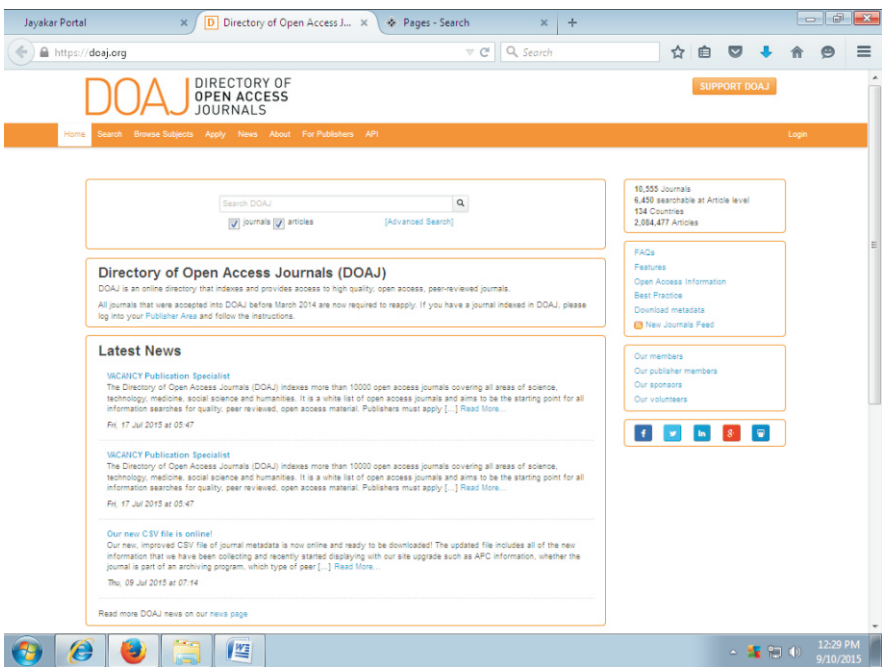
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Open Access Library

5.5 Directory of Open Access Journals

The Directory of Open Access Journals was launched in 2003 at Lund University, Sweden, with 300 open access journals and today contains more than 10000 open access journals covering all areas of science, technology, medicine, social science and humanities.



Directory of Open Access Journals

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