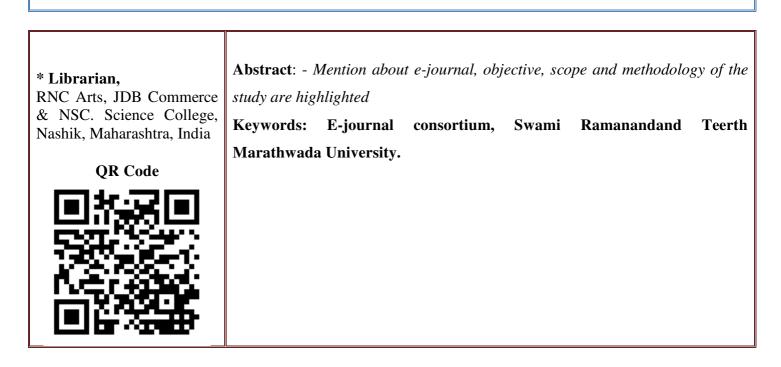
USE OF E-JOURNALS CONSORTIUM IN SWAMI RAMANAND TEERTH MARATHWADA UNIVERSITY LIBRARY, NANDED

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INTRODUCTION :

Information underpins the learning, research and debate that drive research forward. Access to information is essential for describing and understanding the deficiencies of the present building visions of a better future, developing practical ways to achieve these vision. Validation and distribution of academic knowledge is primarily based on peer-review publication.

There have been astounding developments as widespread adoption by many segments of society over the past few years in our ability to move and manage information. We have been told that we live in "The Information Age" for some time now, but it has truly been that explosive growth of the global computer network known as the Internet that has brought this somewhat tired phrase home to many. What began as an exclusive network for academics and military installation has blossomed into a unique public communication and publishing medium used by millions of people around the world every day.

The electronic revolution is narrowing the gap of information. The power of web technology lies in the ability to redefine research reporting and transform the nature of scholarly communication in ways not feasible in traditional print media. Increasingly the Internet provides enhanced opportunities for visual audio and video interactivity. The potential to incorporate features that advance or surpass those traditionally used in print journals in yet to be realized by authors and publishers of E-journals.

EXPLANATION OF THE CONCEPTS. <u>Use</u>

According in the *Fee Online Dictionary* "The act of using the application or employment of something for a purpose; a purpose for which something is used".

<u>E-Journal</u>

Any serials produced, published, and distributed ...via electronic networks' Electronic journal includes both online only journals and also journals, which have a print counterpart.

An Electronic Journal is a publication issued at regular intervals and available electronically. Electronic Journals are often call ejournals.

2. OBJECTIVES

- To study the level of usage of e-journals and level of awareness of consortium mode of e-journals.
- To study opinions of research scholars and faculty members regarding advantages of using e-journals and problems faced in using e-journals.
- To study sources used for accessing ejournals, methods used for reading ejournals and extent of content from ejournals used in research work.

3. SCOPE –

Research Scholars and faculty members of the various department in Swami Ramamand Teerth Marathwada University, Nanded

4. METHODOLOGY -

Present study has use the combination of survey and evaluation methods. The questionnaire is circulated to faculty members and research scholars only.

5. SAMPLE AND ANALYSIS –

Table No. 1.1 Gender

University	Male	Female	Total
SRTMU	50	13	63

It can be observed from Table No.1.1 that maximum No.of Male Respondent.

Table No. 1.2	Purpose of	of using	computer
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Univer.	Communicate with others	Project work	Preparing Assignments	Research	Entertainment	Do not computer	Total
SRTM U	15	07	10	27	04	01	63

It can be observed from table No.1.2 that maximum nos for Respondent use computer for Research work while the remaining uses for preparing assignment and Communicate with other and Project work.

University	University	Cyber Café	Home	Total
SRTMU	24	25	14	63

 Table No. 1.3 Accessibility of Internet.

It can be observed from Table No. 1.3 that maximum nos of Respondent access from Cyber Café & University. While least access from Home.

Table No. 1.4 Open source mode of E-Journals

University	Yes	No.	Total
SRTMU	63	00	63

It can be observed from Table no.1.4 that 63 respondents are aware of open sources mode of e-journal

Table No. 1.5 Source of Open source made of E-Journals.

Univ.	While browsing Net	Through Friends	Through Library Staff	Library publicity Program	Total
SRTMU	17	20	09	04	63

It can be observed form Table no.1.5 maximum nos of respondent come to know through friends.

Table No. 1.6 Source of Accessing of E-

Journals.						
University	Publisher Websiters	Link for E- Journals	Consortium Search Engine	Other	Total	
SRTMU	22	11	24	06	63	

It can be observed from Table No. 1.6 maximum nos of respondent access e-journals through the Consortium Search Engine and other responded access publisher website, Link for e-journals.

Table No. 1.7	Use of Format of E-Journals
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University	On the screen	Print out on paper	Downloading on CD/floppy	Other	Total
SRTMU	11	26	18	08	63

It can be observed from Table no. 1.7 maximum nos of respondent are compare in using the Print out on Paper.

University	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Total
SRTMU	30	09	11	00	13	63

It can be observed from Table no 1.8 maximum nos fo respondent are aware of the advantages of e-journal.

CONCLUSION -

From the above study it is observed that ejournals have become the vital part of information for various needs. E-Journals are the most important for the faculty members. It is proceed that e-journals saves time of the users. Lack of training among users and proper infrastructure in the library is a major de-motivating factor in the use of e-journals. This study helps the librarian to know the importance of e-journals and it helps them to improve the services related to e-journals.

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