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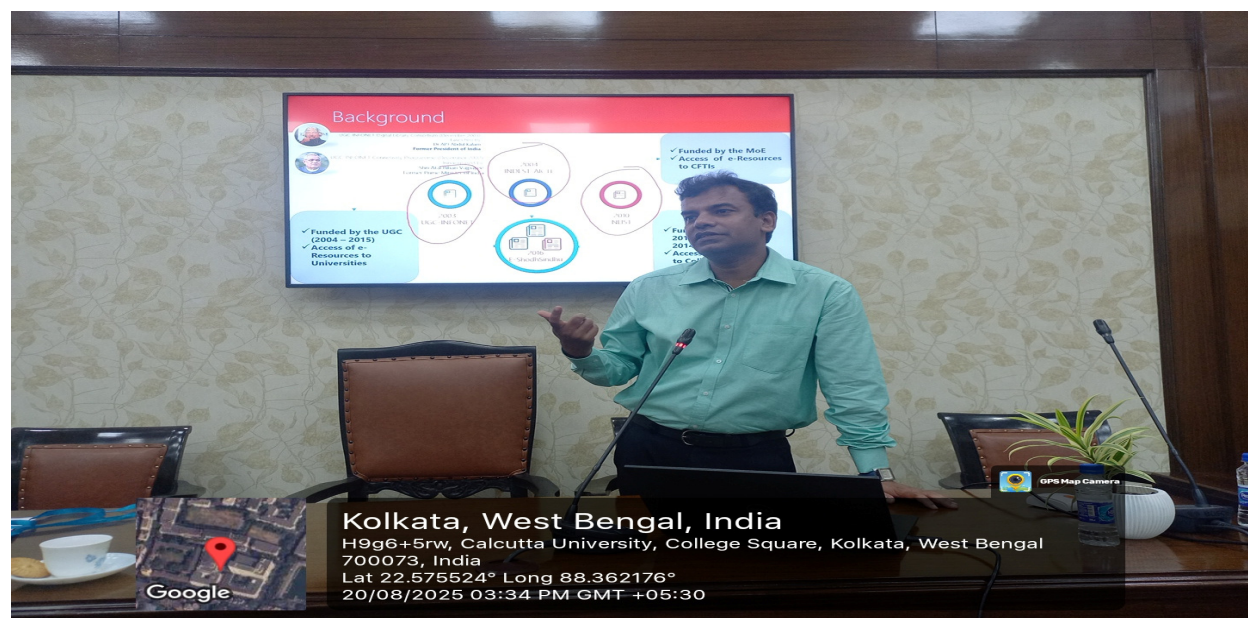
ShodhChakra @ UNIVERSITY OF CALCUTTA

An Awareness Workshop on 'INFLIBNET Services for Research Support'

Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), University of Calcutta on the occasion of its MoU (Memorandum of Understanding) signing with the Information and Library Network (INFLIBNET) Centre, an Inter University Center of UGC, organized an awareness workshop on 'INFLIBNET Services for Research Support' on August 20, 2025 in the Syndicate Hall of the University. In his introductory speech Prof Pijushkanti Panigrahi, Director IQAC, CU mentioned about the ShodhChakra, a free platform / portal for universities developed by the INFLIBNET for Research Support in the research lifecycle of a scholar of any university. Prof Devika P Madalli mentioned the purpose of selecting the University of Calcutta for implementation of ShodhChakra at its first instance, She announced that the ShodhChakra portal is in its testing stage giving successful results and shall be introduced in the month of January 2026. She introduced Dr Abhishek Kumar, Scientist E, INFLIBNET Centre who is keyperson in developing ShodhChakra portal and requested him to continue with the awareness program which is attended by many Deann, Professors and staff of the PhD section.



Dr Abhishek Kumar discussed all the activities of INFLIBNET that support research activities universities. He talked about the ShodhChakra that would help scholars in carrying out research and presenting it in a proper thesis format, it would help the university in controlling the official formalities from registration to thesis evaluation, awarding and uploading in the Shodhganga reservoir. Similarly, usefulness of IRINS and other services are also discussed in detail that can also be used by the University under the purview of the MoU free of cost.



The system will generate login credentials to researchers, supervisors after due verification from university. Features / Benefits of the Shodh-Chakra are as follows:

Researcher	Guide / Supervisor	University	Admin / UGC / MoE
• Profile Management • Assistance for Literature Work • How to do PhD (Knowledge Resources) • Resource Aggregation • Publications (Workshops & Conferences) • Reference Management • Interaction with Guide • Plagiarism • Thesis Submission	• Dashboard • Profile (Scholar / Self) Management • Work Progress Tracking • Interaction with Researchers • Research Publications	• Dashboard • Profile Management (Researcher & Guide) • Communication / Intimation Module among Researchers, Guides and University • Work Progress View • Report Generation	• Dashboard • Research trends • Reports • Supervisor's profile



Shodh-Chakra is a unique initiative of Information and Library Network (INFLIBNET) Centre under the guidance of University Grants Commission (UGC) to help the academic community during their research life cycle. Shodh-Chakra provides a unique space to the researcher, guide/supervisor and university to manage the research lifecycle of a research scholar. The portal is integrated with millions of resources (including lakhs of full-text theses) along with the helping tools for the researcher which are required during the research work. It will provide the research trends of the country. Regulatory bodies can easily identify the concern experts on the basis of research area. All the three stakeholders (researchers, supervisors and universities) can login into system and avail the features and functionalities of the Shodh-Chakra.

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