



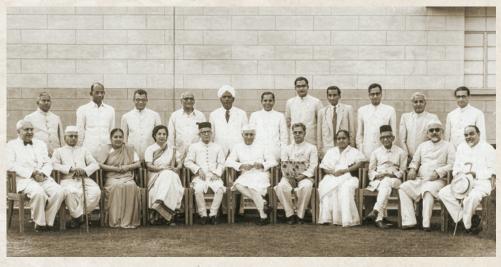
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Uniting Together in a Single Thread of Knowledge



Prime Minister Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri's visit to the Indian School of International Studies, Sapru House, 13 August 1965.





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Seminar on 'Social Science Research and Library Development in India' organized by the Indian Council of World Affairs in cooperation with the Indian School of International Studies, 25-27 February 1967.



Tarewell to ICWA's first Secretary General Dr. A. Appadorai (1946-1954) & Director, Indian School of International Studies (1955 -1964), 8 December 1964.

Indian Council of World Affairs (ICWA)

Established in 1943, the Indian Council of World Affairs (ICWA) was founded by a group of intellectuals, including Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru and Dr. H.N. Kunzru. In 2001, the Government of India declared ICWA an 'Institution of National Importance' through an Act of Parliament. The primary objective of ICWA is to promote the study of Indian and international affairs, develop global opinion on international issues, and serve as a knowledge repository on world affairs.

Hon'ble Vice President of India and President, ICWA Shri Jagdeep Dhankhar searching e-resources at the Library Computer Centre during his Visit to Sapru House Library on 13th September 2023.





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The ICWA Library

Founded in 1943, the ICWA Library, also known as the Sapru House Library, traces its origins to a donation of books from the Royal Institute of International Affairs, London. This donation marked the beginning of the library's expansive collection, which has since become one of the largest in Asia, specializing in International Affairs and Area Studies.



☐ Hon'ble Vice President of India and President, ICWA Shri Jagdeep Dhankhar inaugurating the renovated Sapru House Library on 13th September 2023.





Circulation Desk

Library Vision

To be a leading resource hub for academics, diplomats, policymakers, students, and researchers in international relations, global diplomacy, foreign policy, and international law by offering innovative services that reflect the core objectives and mission of ICWA.

Library Collections

The Sapru House Library offers an extensive collection of books, journals, and periodicals in both print and digital formats. Our collection includes:

Books: Over 120,000 books, categorized into:

- **General Books:** Available for borrowing by members.
- Reference Books: Includes encyclopedias, handbooks, dictionaries, and multivolume works.

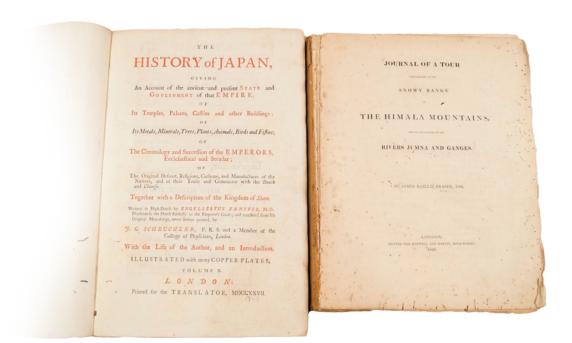






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Oldest Books in the Library
The History of Japan by Engelbertus Kampfer (1727)
The Himala Mountains: Rivers Jumna and Ganges by James Baillie Fraser





 $\ \square$ Collection of Census and Gazetteers



(1820)

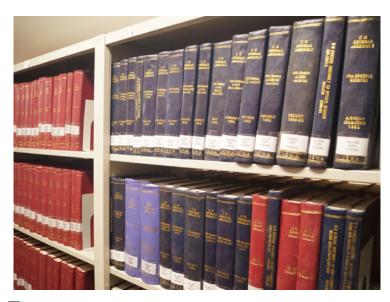




 $\hfill \square$ Collection of Annuals and yearbooks



- ICWA Publications: Books published by ICWA are included in this collection.
- Heritage of Diplomacy: A unique collection of books by senior diplomats, ambassadors, and bureaucrats, including memoirs, autobiographies, and reflections on India's diplomatic history.
- Census and Gazetteers: A strong collection offering population and geographical data.
- United Nations and European Union Publications: The library serves as a depository for official publications from these organizations.



 $\hfill \square$ Sapru House Library is a Depository of UN and EU Documents and Publications



☐ ICWA Publications



Mew Periodicals Display



Periodicals Collection



- Rare Books: Includes books published before 1951, with the oldest dating back to 1727.
- **Hindi Books:** A collection of books published in Hindi.

Periodicals:

- **Bound Volumes:** A strong collection of periodicals on subjects such as international relations, diplomacy, foreign policy, economics, and law.
- **Annuals:** Includes yearbooks, reports, statistical documents, and budgets from various government departments and institutions.



Rare Books





■ **Bound Newspapers:** Files of key newspapers, including *The Hindu* (1933-present), *The Economic Times* (1972-2004), *International Herald Tribune* (1968-2004), and *The New York Times* (1913-1949).

Current Periodicals Subscription: The library subscribes to over 40 periodicals, in both print and digital formats, covering areas like *African Affairs*, *Chinese Journal of International Politics*, *Foreign Affairs*, *Foreign Policy*, *World Affairs*, and more.

E-Resources:

- Databases: Access to databases like EBSCO (Political Science), Project MUSE, Megzter, and J-STOR.
- E-Journals: Subscription to a range of journals in digital format. *India Quarterly* is available in digital format since 1946.
- **Digitized Press Clippings:** Over one million clippings from national and international newspapers (1950-present).
- **Hindu Newspaper:** Digital archives since 1933
- Digital Rare Books: More than 4,500 rare books published before 1951, available through the library catalog.
- Arrangement of Collection: All print books are classified according to the Dewey Decimal Classification (DDC) system. Print journals are arranged alphabetically, and shelf and row guides are available for easy navigation.





☐ Library Courtyard

Library Membership

Library membership is open to parliamentarians, MLAs, academicians, diplomats, historians, civil servants, journalists, members of civil society, and postgraduate students pursuing research in international relations, foreign policy, diplomacy, and political science. **Membership Requirements:**

- A valid ID and proof of residential address (Aadhar Card) are required for enrollment.
- Membership is valid for one year from the date of enrollment.

For Research Scholars/Students:

 Priority is given to Postgraduate, M.Phil., Ph.D., and research scholars in the fields of International Relations, Foreign Policy, Diplomacy, and Political Science.





Hindi Books Collection

Heritage of Diplomacy: Collection of Books by Indian Diplomats



• Required documents: Institutional ID card, a letter of recommendation from the Dean/Head of Department/Research Supervisor, and proof of address (Aadhar Card).

Referral Membership

Students and research scholars can avail one-week referral membership by submitting a letter of recommendation from their institution, along with an ID card.

Membership Fees:

- Annual Fee: Rs. 500
- **Refundable Security Deposit:** Rs. 2,800 (Refunded upon producing the original receipt, subject to any dues)

Services Offered

The Sapru House Library offers the following services to its members:

- Circulation of Reading Materials
- Reference and Information Services
- Document Delivery Service
- Inter-Library Loan (ILL)
- New Arrivals Notifications
- Photocopy Service
- Research Support Services
- Reading Hall
- Computer Working Stations





Resource Sharing

The library is a member of the Developing Library Network (DELNET), enabling the acquisition of resources not available in the library through inter-library loans.

IT Resources

The library provides computers and two tablets for accessing online databases and other digital resources.

Opening Hours (Subject to Change)

Please check ICWA Website for updates: www.icwa.in



Reading Hall

Important Library Rules

- Only registered members may use the library.
- Always carry your Library Membership ID card while visiting.
- Silence must be maintained at all times. No discussions or noisy activities are allowed.
- Only water is permitted inside the library. All other food and beverages must be left at the locker facility available near the entrance.
- Mobile phones must be kept on silent mode. Use of phones inside the library is prohibited.
- Personal belongings should not be left unattended; the library is not responsible for any loss or theft.
- Handle library materials with care. Do not mark, underline, write on, or damage books. Any damage will result in penalties.
- The cyber library facilities are reserved for academic and research purposes only. General browsing, watching movies, or playing video games is not allowed.



Paintings from Palestine displayed at Sapru House Library



The Up Rising' by Abdul Rehman Mzaen



☐ 'Three Tales' by Ismail Shammout



 $\ \square$ 'Dance of Peace' by Abdul Rehman Mzaen



"सर्वे विद्याः समाप्नो<mark>ति या पुस्तक</mark>गृहे स्थिता। ज्ञानेन प्रकाशितं सर्वं तस्मिन्हि प्रकाशते जगत्॥"

"All knowledge is acquired from books kept in the library. Through knowledge, everything in the world is illuminated, and the world itself shines in knowledge."



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