

**Indian National Digital Library in Engineering and  
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**INDEST-AICTE Consortium**

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**Core Members of INDEST-AICTE Consortium**



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## **Background**

The "Indian National Digital Library in Engineering Sciences and Technology (INDEST Consortium)" was set-up by the Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD) on the recommendation of an Expert Group appointed by the Ministry under the chairmanship of Prof. N. Balakrishnan, IISc. 48 centrally-funded Government institutions including IITs, IISc Bangalore, NITs, IIITs and IIMs are core members of the INDEST Consortium. The Ministry provides funds required for providing differential access to electronic resources subscribed for the Consortium to the core members through the consortium headquarters set-up at the IIT Delhi. The Consortium has recently been renamed as INDEST-AICTE Consortium. The INDEST-AICTE Consortium is the most ambitious initiative taken so far in the country. The benefit of consortia-based subscription to electronic resources is not confined to 48 major technological institutions in the country but is also extended to all educational institutions under its open-ended proposition. 60 Govt. / Govt.-aided engineering colleges are provided access to selected electronic resources with financial support from the AICTE and 100 engineering colleges and institutions have already joined the consortium under its open-ended proposition. The total number of members in the Consortium has now grown to 948. The INDESTAICTE Consortium, on the basis of sheer strength of numbers of institutions has attracted the best possible price and terms of agreement from the publisher. The Consortium subscribes to over 6,500 electronic journals from a number of publishers and aggregators. The INDEST Web Site hosts a search interface to locate these journals and their URLs as well as their alphabetical list.

## **Objectives**

The INDEST-AICTE Consortium has the following objectives:

- i) to subscribe electronic resources for the members of the Consortium at highly discounted rates of subscription and at the best terms and conditions;
- ii) to extend the benefit of consortia-based subscription beyond the core members to other engineering and technological institutions;
- iii) to impart training to the users and librarians of the member institutions on subscribed electronic resources with an aim to optimize the usage of electronic resources;
- iv) to find more avenues of cooperation and interaction amongst member libraries;
- v) to increase interactions amongst member institutions; and
- vi) to increase scientific productivity of member institutions in terms of quality and quantity of publications.

## **Major Activities of the INDEST-AICTE Consortium**

Major activities of the INDEST-AICTE Consortium are as follows:

- i) Arrange subscription to identified electronic resources for member institutions;
- ii) Identification of new resources;
- iii) Interaction with member libraries to ensure optimal utilization of subscribed electronic resources;
- iv) Ensure access to subscribed electronic resources to member libraries as per their subscription;
- v) Organize training programme for the member institutions on use of electronic resources;
- vi) Initiate additional activities complementary to the present activities of the Consortium and;
- vii) Encourage interactions amongst member libraries.

## **Membership**

The consortium has the following three types of Members:

### **Core Member Institutions**

48 centrally-funded Government institutions constitute the core group of the Consortium that are divided into the following four category based on e-resources allocated to them:

Group I: IITs and IISc

Group II: NITs, ISM, SLIET and NERIST

Group III: IIITs

IIMs and NITIE

The Ministry provides funds required for providing differential access to electronic resources for these institutions through the consortium headquarters set-up at the IIT Delhi.

### **Members with Financial Support from the AICTE**

The INDEST-AICTE Consortium has enrolled 60 members with financial support from the All India Council of Technical Education (AICTE).

### **Self-supported Engineering Colleges and Institutions**

The consortium, being an open-ended proposition, invites AICTE-accredited and UGC-affiliated institutions to join hands with the leading engineering and technological Institutions in India and share the benefits it offers in terms of lower subscription rates and better terms of agreement with the publishers. 453 engineering colleges and institutions have already joined the consortium under this proposition. The brochure and Application Form can be downloaded from the INDEST-AICTE Consortium website (<http://paniit.iitd.ac.in/indest/> or <http://indest.iitd.ac.in/>) to join the consortium as a self-supported institution. Recently, the AICTE has announced a new scheme for AICTE-affiliated institutions to join the INDEST-AICTE Consortium for selected e-resources at lower rates of subscription.

## Governance

The Consortium operates through its headquarters set-up at the IIT Delhi under a National Steering Committee consisting of members from amongst beneficiary institutions. Prof. Surendra Prasad, Director, IIT Delhi and Prof. Damodar Acharya, Chairman, AICTE serve as Chairman and Co-chairman for the National Steering Committee respectively. A National Review Committee has also been set-up under the Chairmanship of Shri Ravi Mathur, Joint Secretary (Technical Education) with an overall responsibility for making policies, monitoring the progress, coordinating with UGC and AICTE for promoting the activities of the INDEST- AICTE consortium.

## Electronic Resources Subscribed by the Consortium

Electronic resources subscribed by the INDEST-AICTE Consortium can broadly be divided into the following two categories:

### Full-text Electronic Resources

Full-text electronic resources contain complete articles along with their bibliographic details. The INDEST-AICTE Consortium subscribes to several full-text e-resources like IEL Online, Science Direct, Springer Link, ACM Digital Library, etc. All full-text resources subscribed by the INDEST-AICTE Consortium contain electronic journals. However, IEL Online and ACM Digital Library also host conference proceedings and standards.

### Bibliographic Databases

Bibliographic databases contain references to articles published in journals, conference proceedings or chapters in books, etc. Most bibliographic databases contain abstracts of the articles along with links to their full-text and are subscribed for IITs and IISc only (Group I); however, JCCC is available to all the core member institutions.

The Consortium subscribes to 17 full-text e-resources and 6 bibliographic databases. The member institutions are provided differential access to these resources based on their needs and activity profile.

<b>Electronic Resources Subscribed by the INDEST</b>			
<b>Full-Text E-Resources</b>			
1.	ABI / INFORM Complete	13.	Asian CERC Insight
2.	ACM Digital Library	14.	Nature
3.	ASCE Journals	15.	ProQuest Science
4.	ASME Journals (+ AMR)	16.	Springer Link
5.	Capitaline	17.	ASTM Standards
6.	CRIS INFAC Ind. Information		<b>Bibliographic Databases</b>
7.	EBSCO's Business Source Premier*	18.	COMPENDEX on Ei Village
8.	Elsevier's Science Direct	19.	INSPEC on Ei Village
9.	Emerald Insight Full text	20.	J-Gate Custom Content for Consortia
10.	Euromonitor GMID	21.	MathSciNet
11.	IEEE / IEE Electronic Library Online	22.	SciFinderScholar
12.	Indian Standards	23.	Web of Science

\* with complementary access to EBSCO's Academic Search Elite, ToC Premier and LISA.

A brief description of these resources and a brief tutorial on each resource is available in the "Compendium for INDEST Member Institutions" and is also available on the website of the consortium.

### Resources Accessed by the Member Institutions

Resources accessible to the core members of the INDEST-AICTE Consortium are indicated in the table given below. 48-core member institutions, beneficiary of resources through the INDEST-AICTE Consortium, are divided into four groups. G1 & 2 in the last column, for example, indicate that the resource is accessible to all IITs / IISc (Group 1) and NITs, SLIET, ISM and NERIST (Group 2).

<b>Electronic Resources Subscribed by the INDEST-AICTE Consortium</b>			
<b>Full-Text E-Resources</b>			
<b>Sl. No</b>	<b>Electronic Resources</b>	<b>URL</b>	<b>Accessible to</b>
1.	ABI/INFORM Complete	<a href="http://www.il.proquest.com/pqdauto">http://www.il.proquest.com/pqdauto</a>	G1 & 4
2.	ACM Digital Library	<a href="http://portal.acm.org/portal.cfm">http://portal.acm.org/portal.cfm</a>	G1,2& 4
3.	ASCE Journals	<a href="http://www.pubs.asce.org/journals/jms.html">http://www.pubs.asce.org/journals/jms.html</a>	G1& 2
4.	ASME Journals	<a href="http://www.asme.org/pubs/journals/">http://www.asme.org/pubs/journals/</a>	G1& 2
5.	ASTM Standards	<a href="http://journalsip.astm.org/">http://journalsip.astm.org/</a>	G1
6.	Capitaline	<a href="http://www.capitaline.com/intranet/INDESTconsortium.htm">http://www.capitaline.com/intranet/INDESTconsortium.htm</a>	G1 & 4
7.	CRIS INFAC Ind. Information	<a href="http://www.crisil.com/">http://www.crisil.com/</a>	G4
8.	EBSCO's Business Source Premier*	<a href="http://search.epnet.com/">http://search.epnet.com/</a>	G1 & 4
9.	Elsevier's Science Direct	<a href="http://www.sciencedirect.com/">http://www.sciencedirect.com/</a>	G1&2
10.	Emerald Insight Full text	<a href="http://iris.emeraldinsight.com/">http://iris.emeraldinsight.com/</a>	G1 & 4
11.	Euromonitor GMID	<a href="http://www.euromonitor.com/gmid">http://www.euromonitor.com/gmid</a>	G1 & 4
12.	IEL Online	<a href="http://ieeexplore.ieee.org/">http://ieeexplore.ieee.org/</a>	G1-4
13.	Indian Standards	Intranet Version	G1 & 2
14.	Asian CERC INSIGHT	<a href="http://www.insight.asiancerc.com/">http://www.insight.asiancerc.com/</a>	G4
15.	Nature	<a href="http://www.nature.com/">http://www.nature.com/</a>	G1 & 2
16.	ProQuest Science	<a href="http://www.il.proquest.com/pqdauto">http://www.il.proquest.com/pqdauto</a>	G2& 3
17.	Springer Link	<a href="http://www.springerlink.com/">http://www.springerlink.com/</a>	G1-3
<b>Bibliographic Databases</b>			
	COMPENDEX & INSPEC	<a href="http://www.engineeringvillage2.org">http://www.engineeringvillage2.org</a>	G1
19.	J-Gate Custom Content for Consortia	<a href="http://jccc-indest.informindia.co.in/">http://jccc-indest.informindia.co.in/</a>	G1-3
20.	MathSciNet	<a href="http://www.ams.org/mathscinet">http://www.ams.org/mathscinet</a>	G1
21.	SciFinderScholar	Access through a Windows Client	G1
22.	Web of Science	<a href="http://isiknowledge.com">http://isiknowledge.com</a>	G1

\* with complementary access to EBSCO's Academic Search Elite, ToC Premier and LISA. The institutions enrolled as members of the INDEST-AICTE Consortium with support from the AICTE are being given access to a number of electronic resources including IEL Online Library, ASCE Journals, ASME Journals and ProQuest Science. Resources are provided based on the courses offered by these institutions at the postgraduate level.

### **How to Access E-Resource?**

The access to electronic resources is IP-enabled for member institutions by the publishers. The users on the Institute LAN in their respective institutions do not require Login ID and password. However, log-ID and password-based access is offered to the member Institution that do not have dedicated IP address. Users can find URLs for all electronic resources through the Web site of their Library or through the INDEST Web Site (<http://paniit.iitd.ac.in/indest>) and the INDEST Web Site (<http://indest.iitd.ac.in/>).

### **Brief Description of Electronic Resources to be Subscribed through INDEST-AICTE Consortium**



#### **ABI / Inform Complete** (<http://www.il.proquest.com/pqdauto>)

ABI / Inform is a world-renowned database of full text journals on business, economy and management providing a comprehensive coverage on various micro as well as macro economic aspects of various economies of the world. It covers nearly 4,000 journals in business, management and social sciences with around 3000 of them in full text and remaining 1000 at the abstract level with coverage dating back to 1923. Among new sources added to ABI includes EIU Newswire, Going Global Career Guides, 14,000 Dissertations. Publications from world famous publishers like Sage, Kluwer, Macmillan, Oxford University Press, Wiley, Emerald, MIT Sloan, Springer, Blackwell, Taylor & Francis etc.



#### **ACM Digital Library** (<http://portal.acm.org/portal.cfm>)

The ACM Digital Library incorporates digital versions of works published by ACM since its inception. The major components of the resource is an enhanced version of the ACM Digital Library plus an extended bibliographic database, consisting initially of more than a quarter-million citations of core works in computing. These works are of all types (journals, proceedings, books, technical reports, theses, etc) and from all the major publishers in the discipline.



### **American Society of Civil Engineers Online Journals (<http://www.asme.org/pubs/journals/>)**

American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) represents more than 137,500 members of the civil engineering profession worldwide, and is America's oldest national engineering society. It publishes 30 journals, periodicals and transactions that cover a comprehensive range of the civil engineering profession. ASCE journals are highly cited and are most relevant to the civil engineers for exchanging technical and professional knowledge. Information published in the journals of ASCE forms archival records not only of the technical advances of the ASCE but of the civil engineering profession as a whole.



### **American Society of Mechanical Engineers Journals (<http://www.asme.org/pubs/journals/>)**

American Society of Mechanical Engineers, today's ASME is a 120,000-member professional organization focused on technical, educational and research issues of the engineering and technology community. It facilitates the development, dissemination and application of engineering knowledge through its publication of 20 journals. It conducts one of the world's largest technical publishing operations, holds numerous technical conferences worldwide, and offers hundreds of professional development courses each year.



### **EBSCO's Business Source Premier (<http://search.epnet.com/>)**

Business Source Premier, designed specifically for business schools and libraries, is the world's most comprehensive index of business journals, magazines and other sources. This database contains indices and abstracts for more than 3,800 business-related periodicals with coverage going back to the first half of the 20th century for many leading scholarly journals. The database also facilitates searches through a business thesaurus and search for citations (a.k.a. linked, cited references) for more than 1,100 academic journals. In addition, the database provides full text for more than 3,000 periodicals, including nearly 1,000 full text peer-reviewed journals. Business Source Premier is the most comprehensive archive available for business journals, offering hundreds of thousands of peer reviewed business articles in PDF prior to 1985. Post-1985 coverage is also unparalleled with current full text from leading journals in every area of business, including marketing, management, MIS, POM, accounting, finance, econometrics, economics, international business, and more.



**Emerald Insight Full-text** (<http://iris.emeraldinsight.com/>)

Emerald publishes the world's widest range of management and library & information services journals, as well as a strong specialist range of engineering, applied science and technology journals. Emerald database allow instant access to the latest research and global thinking. It provides information, ideas and opportunity to gain insight into key management topics. Emerald was established in 1967 by a group of senior academicians formed MCB University Press, a publishing house that focused on niche management disciplines including strategy, change management and international marketing.



**Ei Compendex Plus** (<http://www.engineeringvillage2.org/>)

The Ei Compendex provides summaries of technical reports, journal articles, and conference papers and proceedings. Ei Compendex is the world's only fully interdisciplinary engineering indexing and abstracting service, spanning 175 engineering disciplines. It covers over 5,000 international engineering journals, conference proceedings and technical reports. Each year, 500,000 new abstracts are added within the broad applied engineering areas.



**IEL Online** (<http://ieeexplore.ieee.org/>)

The IEEE/IEE Electronic Library (IEL) is industry's most powerful engineering reference resource; it provides unparalleled full-text access to publications from Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) and the Institution of Electrical Engineers (IEE). It includes 126 journals from IEEE, 21 journals from IEE, magazines, transactions and 600 + conference proceedings as well as active IEEE standards – over 1 million documents in all. Back files from 1988 plus selected titles from 1950. More than 25,000 new pages are added per month. It provides access to 1,200,000+ full-text documents and more than two million full-page PDF images, including all original charts, graphs, diagrams, photographs and illustrative material.



**MathSciNet** (<http://www.ams.org/mathscinet>)

The electronic version of Mathematical Abstracts is the most important component of MathSciNet. Mathematical Reviews is a reviewing journal of international mathematics literature. The MathSciNet contains signed reviews and bibliographic data from the first issue in January 1940 to the present. Journals, conference proceedings and books of mathematical research are also covered. Items listed in the annual indexes of Mathematical Reviews, but not given an individual review, are also included.



Nature

Nature (<http://www.npg.nature.com/libraries>)

Nature Publishing Group (NPG) is committed to publishing high-quality, rigorously peer reviewed research, review and reference material; timely news; and essential career and recruitment information in print and online. A leading publisher of scientific information, the NPG portfolio combines the excellence of *Nature*, its associated primary research journals, the recently launched *Nature Reviews journals*, 30 leading international scientific and medical journals and reference titles. The Nature Methods is the most recent journal that was launched in October 2004. The publisher has launched a new product called news@nature.com, with its focus on science news accessible to all readers, regardless of their background and training. After the successful launch of nature archives from 1987 to 1996 in August 2003, NPG has also digitalized its archives back to 1950 to provide online access to original papers previously available in print only.



**Proquest Science Journals** (<http://www.il.proquest.com/pqdauto>)

Proquest Science Journals (Formerly “Applied Science & Technology Plus”) is a comprehensive full-text database of applied and general science subject area, which provides detailed, in-depth coverage and powerful searching of the leading scholarly journals and trade publications in the field. Proquest Science Journals is a growing collection which currently offers 420 titles including 320+ titles in full-text and 420 titles in abstract and index form with coverage dating back to 1986.



**Science Direct** (<http://www.sciencedirect.com>)

Science Direct is the world's largest full-text database, hosting more than 1800 peer-reviewed Elsevier journals in the various Scientific, Technological, Business and Medical arenas. It offers a rich electronic environment for research journals, bibliographic databases and reference works. ScienceDirect is offered under the following options:

P.S. Subscribers to all Science Direct are required to continue their print Subscription of 2005 (if any).

**ScienceDirect Engineering Option 1**

Paid Collections: Engineering + Computer Science (Total 234 titles)

Free Collections: Year 1&2: Materials Science + Energy & Power + Chemical Engineering

Year 3 onwards: Energy & Power + Chemical Engineering

Backfiles: 1995+

**ScienceDirect Engineering Option 2**

Paid Collections: Engineering (174 titles)

Free Collections: Year 1 & Year 2: Computer Science

Backfiles: 2002 +

**ScienceDirect Business Option 1**

Business, Management and Accounting Journals Subject Collection (74 titles)

Backfiles : 1995 +

**ScienceDirect Business Option 2**

Economics, Econometrics and Finance Journals Subject Collection (76 titles)

Backfiles : 1995 +

**ScienceDirect Business Option 3**

Book Series (A Package of 54 Book Series in Business, Finance & Economics)

Backfiles : 2002 +

**Science Direct Other Options**

Other Subject Collection Options like Life sciences, Computational Sciences, Physical Sciences, Social Sciences/Psychology and Pre-1995 Subject Backfiles are available under INDEST-AICTE Consortium discount too.



**Springer Link** (<http://www.springerlink.com/>)

SpringerLink is one of the world's leading interactive databases for high-quality STM journals, book series, online Reference Works, eBooks, and the Online Archives Collection. SpringerLink is a powerful central access point for researchers and scientists. The SpringerLink Online Journal collection includes more than 1,200 peer-reviewed journals, comprising more than 600,000 individual documents. Titles include complete back issues to 1996, with digital conversion of all back issues under way, making every title available from Volume I, Issue I onwards. Contents in Springer Link are organized by subject into 12 Online Libraries including medicine and the sciences, Behavioural Science, biomedical and Life Sciences, Business and Economics, Chemistry and Materials Science, Chinese Library of Science, Computer Science, Earth and Environmental Science, Engineering, Humanities, Social Sciences and Law, Mathematics, Medicine and Physics and Astronomy.

The INDEST-AICTE Consortium subscribes to 234 non-medical journals available in Springer Link. There is a limit on number of downloads to maximum of 9,000 (level I) and 2,000 (level II) for the members of INDEST-AICTE Consortium.

Springer offers include:

**Option I:** Renew the existing consortium collection of 234 non-medical Journals access for the year 2006.

**Option II:** Upgrade your current access to include a complete range of 800+ non-medical journals published by Springer by paying a nominal additional fee.

### **Expectations from the Member Institutions**

All member institutions beneficiary of consortium initiatives are expected to do the followings:

#### **IP Addresses**

All member institutions should provide the range of IP addresses used by your institutions. Changes in IP addresses should be intimated to the Consortium Headquarters immediately. The publishers of electronic resources enable their resources to be accessed by range of IP addresses used by your Institute. In case your Institution does not have dedicated IP addresses assigned to it, please inform the Consortium Headquarters so that the publisher can enable password-based access. Each institution is also requested to provide name of two contact persons, one administrative contact and other technical contact.

#### **ICT Infrastructure**

It is necessary for member Institutions to ensure that they possess adequate ICT infrastructure to make optimal use of electronic resources being subscribed for them. Please ensure that your institution has adequate Internet connectivity and computers to make use of the electronic resources being subscribed for you.

#### **Drop Subscriptions to Print, CD or Web Equivalents**

The Expert Group on Consortia-based subscription to e-resources appointed by the Ministry has recommended gradual decrease in print resources that the member institutions are currently subscribing. However, proposals from Science Direct, Link and Emerald Insight (Elsevier Science, Springer Verlag and MCB University Press respectively) are linked to their print subscriptions and the libraries and institutions are not at a liberty to delete print subscription for these publishers. All member institutions are requested to continue their subscription to journals from these publishers. However, you are at liberty to delete the followings:

**IEL online:** You can delete ASPP package consisting of 120 journals / transactions from IEEE. If you wish to subscribe the ASPP package, it is available to the consortium members at a discounted price through their Indian agent M/s Global Information Technology Services (GIST). The Consortium members may also stop purchasing IEE Proceedings, IEEE Standards and IEEE Journals. IEL Online includes all journals published by Institute of Electrical Engineers (U.K.) by IEE Proceedings. Member institutions may delete IEE Journals.

**Science Direct (Elsevier Science), Link (Springer) and Emerald Insight (MCB University Press):** Subscription to these resources are linked to their print subscription in member institutions. All member institutions are requested to continue their subscriptions to print versions of their existing titles.

**ProQuest Science:** ProQuest Science covers 283 full-text journals. The List is available on consortium Web site. Institutions are at liberty to drop subscription to these journals.

**ABI / Inform Complete:** The ABI / Inform covers 2200 full-text journals. The List is available on the consortium Web site. The member institutes may drop these journals from their print subscription list.

**ACM Digital Library:** The member institutions may like to discontinue their print subscription. The consortium pays for electronic access only.

**ASME and ASCE Journals:** The member institutions may like to discontinue their print subscription to ASME and ASCE journals. If you wish to subscribe to print version of ASME and ASCE, it is available to the consortium members at a discounted price through their Indian agent M/s Global Information Technology Services (GIST).

**Web of Science:** The member institutions may discontinue Science Citation Index (print or CD) if they were subscribing to it.

**Compendex / INSPEC:** The member institutions may discontinue their CD or Web-based subscriptions.

**SciFinder Scholar:** The member institutions may discontinue Chemical Abstracts in Print / Collective Indices to CA or CA on CD, etc.

**MathSciNet:** The member institutions may discontinue Mathematical Reviews or MathSciNet on CD.

**JCCC:** JCCC is a kind of content service from Informatics India. The member institutions may discontinue subscription to Current Contents or similar services.

#### **Sign Terms of Agreement with the Consortium**

All member institutions are required to sign an agreement with the Consortium Headquarters. The member institutions of the consortium are required to abide by the terms of agreement that would be signed between various electronic publishers and the consortium on behalf of all member institutions. Moreover, institutions in Group A (IITs and IISc), would “hand-hold” the NITs and other institutions in Group B and C in their region to make optimal use of resources made available to them.

### **INDEST-AICTE Consortium User's Group at each Institution**

With an aim to optimize usage of electronic resources made available through the Consortium, each member institution is required to constitute an INDEST-AICTE Consortium Users Group Committee, which may be a sub-committee of the existing Library Committee. The INDEST-AICTE Consortium User Groups are required to meet once in a month to review the usage and associated problems.

### **INDEST-AICTE Consortium Users Convention at each Institution**

It is obligatory for each institution to organize a Users Convention in their respective institutions for electronic resources accessible to them through the INDEST-AICTE Consortium for the benefit of their user community. Several member institutions have already organized User Conventions for electronic resources accessible to them through the INDEST-AICTE Consortium.

### **Feedback and Suggestions**

The Expert Group has made its recommendations based on the present scenario of electronic publishing. The beneficiary members have a responsibility to improve and enrich the consortium with their inputs and feedback.

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