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# INTRODUCTION

A Virtual library is not confined to a particular location or so called building it is virtually distributed all over the world. The user can get his/ her information on his own computer screen by using the Internet. It provides fingertip access to everyone. These libraries also provide opportunity of group study and you can also share your notes.



## **PURPOSES OF VIRTUAL LIBRARY**

In general the purpose of virtual library is the underpin learning & acquisition of knowledge, to provide a more solid basis of education & enhance the quality of life by drawing digitally available books materials & journals via ICT-based tools.

# **FEATURS OF A VIRTUAL LIBRARY**

- 1.It provides speedy & wide access to updated information in global manner;
- 2.It has changed the traditional library system of cataloguing only book material;
- 3.Cataloguing of NBM include not only databases but also website;
- 4.Greater emphasis is on access and not on collection;
- 5.It result in a creation of digital divide because only developed countries with strong funds for automation & fulfilling infrastructural requirements for Virtual
- 6.Library can afford to support Virtual Library.



# **FUNCTIONS OF VIRTUAL LIBRARY**

The functions of virtual library is to insure the systemic development of means to collect, store & organized information & knowledge in digital form and to provide easy & affordable access to it around the clock from various locations.

# **VIRTUAL LIBRARY ENVIRONMENT**

**It means Virtual Library team; virtual communication & the electronic environment are now a reality for the library. Users are able to view & request information resources either from library Internet site or over the Internet & contact staff by phone or e-mail for more general research requests.**

# **VIRTUAL LAIBRARY & LIFELONG LEARNING**

The use of multimedia system is embedded part of a process of lifelong learning through the virtual library. It appears to offer substantial benefits to lifelong learners over both formal study & conventional open learning.

# **Design & planning of virtual library**

The design of comprehensive virtual library & its proper implementation, need the examination of the feasibility of how to best to create, operate & expand, taking into account of availability of present infrastructure etc.



# PRINCIPLES OF DEVELOPING OF VIRTUAL LIBRARY

Six principles have been identified that drive the development of a virtual library:

1. Priority of Utility;
2. Local Imperative;
3. Preference for Novelty;
4. Implication of Intertextuality;
5. Scarcity of resource;
6. Commitment to the Transition.

# ADVANTAGES OF VIRTUAL LIBRARY

- It provide immediate access;
- Its available anytime & anywhere;
- Virtual libraries often contain more up-to-date information;
- Promote the informal learning;
- Well organized collection.

# CONCLUSION

Virtual library has to support the users' community, by providing accurate, reliable, & affordable access to all the desired scholarly & educational electronic/internet resources.



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