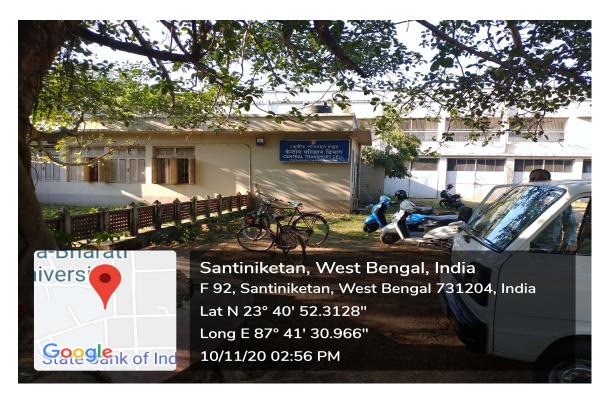
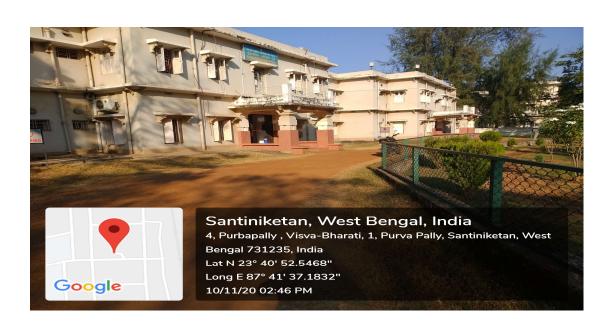
4.1.3 CAMPUS FACILITIES

1. Hostels: Visva-Bharati has over <u>thirty hostels for both boys and girls</u> from students as young as seven years to mature PhD scholars. These hostels are situated all over the two campuses – including the core *Ashrama* area – and are of <u>various</u> styles, architecture, storeys and capacity from as low as thirty to as high as five-<u>hundred</u>. Most of these hostels have <u>kitchen/mess facilities</u> over and above the Visva-Bharati General Kitchen and mess hall that caters to a larger and broader range of users from within the university.

2. In campus Transport: among others normal campus facilities VB has been running in campus transport system. There are three school buses plying within campus at half hour interval every day. Students, teachers and staffs can avail the buses during office hour paying nominal fare.



3. **Guest Houses**: For national & international visitors, dignitaries and university guests, Visva-Bharati boasts of six in campus, decently standard guest houses where staying is pleasant along with all available modern amenities by paying nominal charges. Furthermore, in Kolkata, the nearest metropolis, Visva Bharati has another guest house to smooth out metropolitan based, office related issues.



4. Auditorium & open-air stages: Visva-Bharati is a unique university embracing the learning process adorned with frequent cultural activities round the year. In fact Tagore's vision towards learning was diversified learning mingled with art, culture and nature. In Visva-Bharati that tradition is still going on. Thereafter inside the campus one can find quite a number of open-air stages and superbly equipped auditoriums. Open air stages surely demand the uniqueness as mostly the stage structures are consecrated amidst green nature surrounded by lofty trees and pristine ambience. Almost twelve open-air stages and six well arranged auditoriums are here.

Pretty recently, Lipika Auditorium and Bangladesh-Bhavan Auditorium have emerged as most ultra-modern, super conformed auditoriums where lots of national, international standards seminar are hosted regularly.



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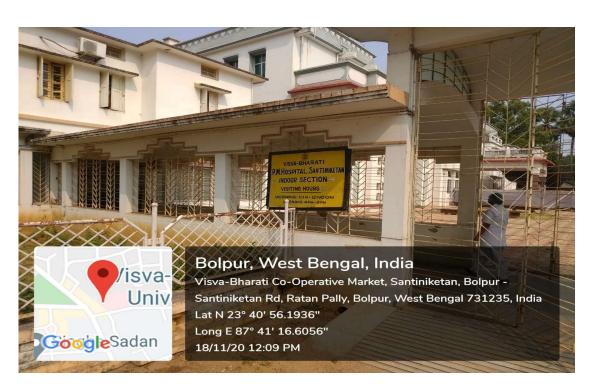


5. Hospital (Indoor and outdoor service) : VB Hospital, named Pearson Memorial Hospital (PM hospital) has been running long back from the year of 1927. The hospital is equipped with thirty-five beds. Emergency services are available round the day and the night while outdoor facilities are available everyday from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Currently, eight (seven holding permanent positions and one on temporary basis) general duty

Medical Officers along with ten number of staff nurses and the other supporting employees of the Hospital have been stretching their unstinting efforts for the upliftment of health-related issues of the entire Visva-Bharati fraternity.

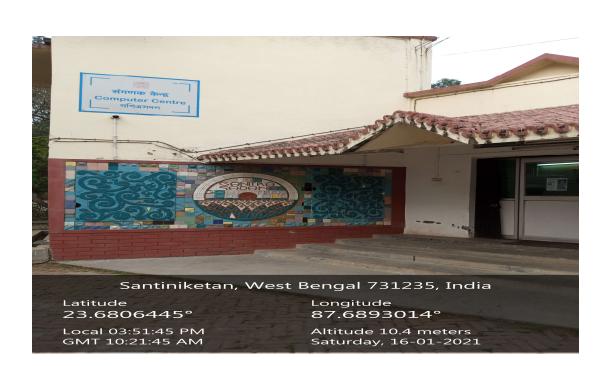
The Hospital offers the following specific services:

(a) OPD service (b) Emergency Medical Service (c) Indoor Patients' Care (d) Minor Operations.



In Sriniketan campus an extension of main PM hospital is also serving the outdoor patients round the week. All types of general cases are handled by one general physician. But for critical cases, patients are usually referred to PM hospital for better purview.

6. **Computer Center:** University Computer Centre has over the years served as a hub for IT related services on the campus. The Computer Centre has a significant role in the software development for the University. With the commissioning of the University-wide network, the Computer Centre is in a unique position to serve the University for all its IT needs. The Computer centre provides e-campus facility comprises of Internet, open for 24x7 with a high speed and uninterrupted connectivity. Department laboratories, hostels and libraries provided computing facilities through the wired Gigabit LAN connectivity and Wireless Access Points. We have transformed University campus into a Wi-Fi enabled e-campus. Almost fifty computers are there for the regular uses of students and staffs.

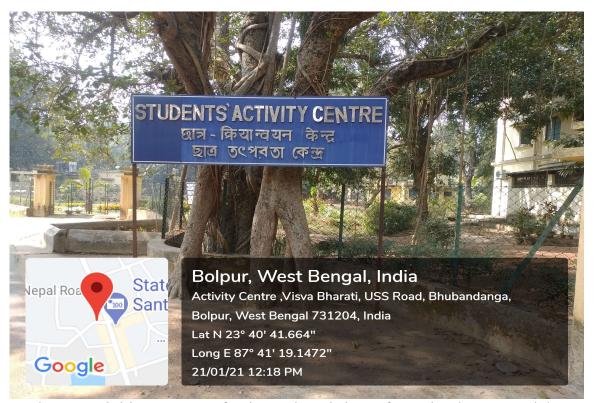


7. Library Services

Visva-Bharati has a number of libraries from the school level to specialised institute and department libraries and the nodal anchor the Central Library. There are 12 Sectional Libraries and 30 Seminar Libraries totalling over 9 lakh volumes and holdings. In addition to this, the Rabindra Bhavana Library in the Uttarayan Museum Complex has all the primary holdings, as well as priceless artefacts and objects of art, associated with the life, work and times of the Tagore family totalling over forty thousand books and materials. It had inherited very rich and rare collection of books from very inception of the Visva-Bharati 94 years back. Twenty-nine thousand six hundred and eighty seven (29,687) books were since digitized and uploaded for public access. All those digitized books have been uploaded in the library local server and are accessible to the readers through Intranet (http://172.16.2.5/xmlui) and Internet (http://14.139.211.2/xmlui).

The Integrated Library Management System at the Central Library is in sync with national and international networked systems and uses approved Campus-wide Fibre Optic Network named GitanjaliNet (INFLIBNET) and other journal resource sites like JSTOR and Project Muse to name a few.

8. Students' Activities Centre



Students' activities center of Visva-Bharati is a favourite but essential part of students' life. It has been functioning successfully under Director of Physical Education, Sports, National Service and Students Welfare (PSNS). Students' activity center regularly arrange some motivational programs like Yoga day, students' procession on Republic day, Independence Day etc. In students' activities center, spoken English course, yoga course are offered to the students periodically across the year. Most importantly, psychological health of students is always being an pertinent concern to the activities center. Two professional psychologists visit the center to check on students health twice a week.

9. Book Selling Counter

A cosy book selling counter is situated in campus, managed within the purview of Visva Bharati Granthan Bibhaga (Visva-Bharati Publishing Center). Two persons are available there to guide the willing buyers towards their choicest books from 10 am to 5 pm. Mostly the books, snippets, musical notations of songs, collection of

Tagore's drama, biographies, published from Visva Bharati, are kept in the shelves. A penchant buyer can peep through the rarest books published from Visva-Bharati long back. A regular replacement of old books by a lot of fresh inventory is done with all sincerity. Many of books authored by Rabindranath Tagore are still available here with their earliest covering and edition.



10. Studio

The media laboratory facility is housed in 3rd floor of Bhasha Bhavan having one Studio with PCR, and a separate Mac-Based edit room.

The facility of studio was set up after CJMC shifted to this building. Since 2016, it grew with liberal funding from VB, Broadcast Engineering Consultant India Limited helped by doing Accoustic treatment of the studio in 2019 as CSR work.

The facility is used for practicals in Audio and Video courses. Edit room is also used for print media work in batches.

Audio-visual skill development workshops by outside experts are done regularly since 2017, the first being conducted jointly with SRFTTI, Kolkata and FDI in Mumbai.



Details of equipments:

- 3 Video Camera
- 5 Mac Computer with facility for video edit-sound and VFX
- 3 Audio Microphones
- 4 Ambience recorder (mini HD)

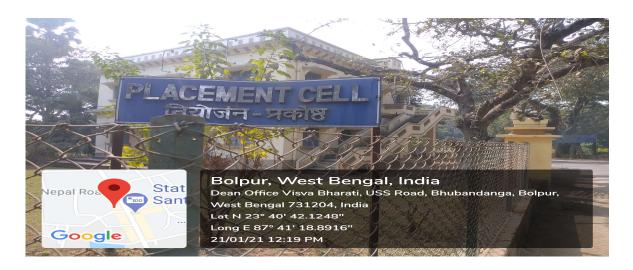


11. Sales counter of Silpasadana: In Silpasadana premises a sales emporium has been running for long. The goods produced by the craftsmen, employed in Silpasadana- "a unit of small-scale manufacturing unit", are exhibited for sales to any visitors. Mostly hand-woven cotton fabrics, dress materials woven by Silpasadana workshop like curtains, towels, bedcovers, pillow covers are the well sought-after items showcased in Silpasadana sales counter.



12. University Placement Cell

Under PSNS university placement cell has been running smoothly. Round the year it organizes placement interview for different departments. Placements are arranged under Government and nongovernment agencies.



13. In Campus Museums: Visva-Bharati can boast of three culturally rich and superbly standard museums which attract wide range of spectators across all over the world.

A. Rabindra Bhavana Museum

B Kala Bhavana Nandan Museum

C. Museum and Archaeology Lab, Department of Ancient Indian History, Culture and Archeology

Rabindra Bhavana Museum is most well acclaimed and audience grabbing museum.



Founded in July 1942, just a year after Rabindranath Tagore's death, Rabindra-Bhavana, the Institute of Tagore Studies and Research is an important component of Visva-Bharati.

This Bhavana includes among its treasures a very major part of Tagore's manuscripts, correspondences, paintings and sketches. The poet's personal library is here and various objects used by him, his voice-recordings and thousands of photographs taken of him at different times and places and the many gifts, honours and citations which he received from different parts of the world have enriched the Bhavana's archival holdings.

Another mention worthy point is archives situated in Lipika annex building. The holding in the archives section include several hundred manuscript volumes and files

of the works of Rabindranath in Bengali and English. Detailed description of all items in the archives is provided in the Catalogue-in-progress. 1018 volumes of manuscripts, correspondences (1471 files) and other materials may be consulted by scholars in the original or in microfilm in the archives by following specific procedures.

Kala Bhavana Nandan Museum was inaugurated in the year of 1919 with an active patronization of Rabindranath Tagore. Kala Bhavana Nandan Museum is an academic museum, basically it helps to the art students for their academic programme and provide great assistance to the art historians & scholars.

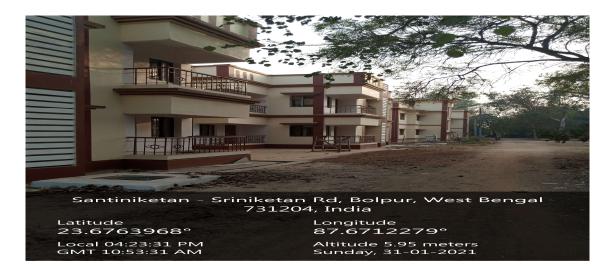
The modern structure of Nandan Art gallery--- 'Nava-Nandan' the new building of Kala Bhavan Museum was setup in the year 1965, and it was inaugurated by the then



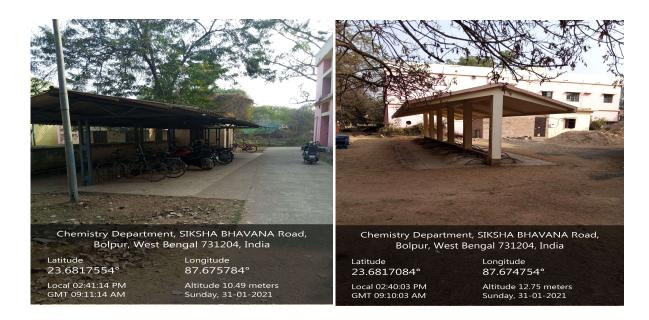
Chancellor (Acharya) Smt. Indira Gandhi and Principal (Adhakshya) of Kala-Bhavana Sri Nandalal Bose.

At present, Kala-Bhavana Museum has two occasionally display gallery at ground floor and first floor of the building. Along with this some selected art works from museum collections are also in display on wall of the museum to emphasize the educational role of museum. Basically, the gallery adds effort to display art works from museum collections, arrange exhibitions to promote art and artists, arrange different workshop, seminar and documentary film show for the students, teachers, and scholars.

14. Quarter Facilities:



As Visva-Bharati is a residential university, in-campus quarter facility is open for every permanent VB staff. Quarters are maintained by the Visva-Bharati estate office. There are two types of quarters—academic quarter and non-academic quarter. Vacancy of quarters are advertised on university website regularly and allocated as per the pay band of employee. A sum of 419 quarters are dispersed across 14 different locations inside campus. **15.** Cycle Stand: The University has cycle shades across all Bhavanas and Offices. This facility extends to maximum departments' premises as well as hostels for keeping the cycles of students, faculties and staff.

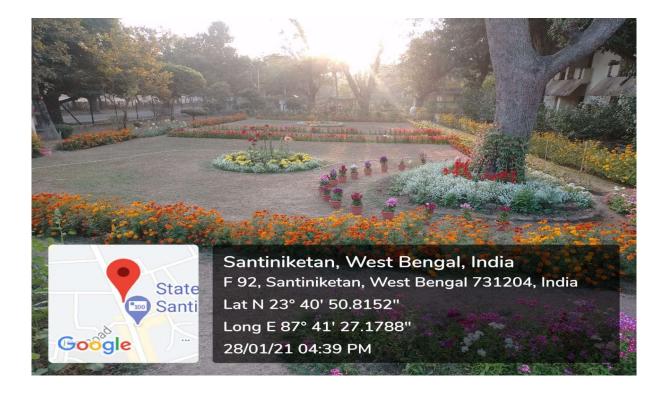


16. In Campus Women Police Station:



17. Garden Facilities:

As Visva-Bharati is set in an open environment anyone would find the lush green surrounding the campus. Departments, centers are shrouded with lofty trees stretching their brunches towards the vast limitless sky. On the ground there are verdant open spaces, mostly dotted with seasonal flowering plants or ornamental, leafy bushes. Visva-Bharati garden section has always been a keen toe in beautification of this campus. At a regular interval, they do practice of trimming the ground, weeding out. During winter, sprawling stretch of variant, colorful seasonal flowers over the entire campus must grab visitors' attention. Also, rare varieties of orchids hanging in green house, maintained by the garden section is a special mention.



18. In campus ATM Facilities: There is one ATM counter by Axis bank in the campus.



19. Public Works Department: There is a Public Works Department office in the Campus area for maintaining the basics civil constructions and amenities within the campus. Mostly the roads crisscrossing the campus are regularly taken care by the PWD fellows with utter sincerity.

