
Importance of E-Resources for Libraries and Information Centers

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Abstract:

The papers fixate on paramount of e-resources for libraries and information centers. Availability of e-resources & its uses in a libraries and information centers is mundane. The electronic resources (e-resources) available in a library play a prominent role in facilitating access to required information to the users in a facile and expeditious manner. The e-resources, like CD-ROM databases, DVD-ROM databases online journals, online books, OPACs, and the plenty of internet/ web resources, are gradually superseding the paramount and utilization of print media.

Key words: Electronic resources, E-journals, online databases, dissemination of Information.

Introduction:

In the last few decades the tremendous magnification of e-resources has transmuted the scenario of libraries and information centers. Now a day's availability of digital information on different format like CDs, audio/video cassette, an early age users used to visit libraries and information centers for their information needs because they kenned it was available in print form only. People were not able to purchase

every book therefore; they would go to the libraries and information centers to get they're seeking information. Revolution of information and communication technology (ICT) and the proliferation of internet technology have opened incipient sources of acquiring cognizance.

What are e-resources?

E-resources (electronic resource) is that, "Information (usually a file) which can be stored in the form Electrical signal usually, but not necessary on a computer.

An electronic resource is any information source that the library provides access to an electronic format.

The library has purchased subscriptions to many electronic information resources in order to provide you with access to them free of charge. Our E-Resources include lots of things: full-text journals, newspapers, company information, e-books, dictionaries, encyclopedias, economic data, digital images, industry profiles, market research, career information, etc.

Why Electronic Resources important in Library

Today is the world of globalization and we live in an age of information everybody would relish to getting concrete information on tips through e-resources anybody can access information be sitting in a one place. All the information available is in the form of digital like e-books-journals etc.

Types of Electronic Resources

The e-resources are basically divided into two major types are:

1. Online e-resources, which may include:

- E-journal (Full text & bibliographic): E-journals are plenary text journal that are accessible via internet.

- E-books: E-books made available in the form of html & PDF.
- Online databases; Online database is withal available on different subjects.
- Web sites
- Indexing and abstracting databases
- Numeric and statistical databases

2. Other electronic resources may include:

- CD ROM
- Diskettes
- Other portable computer databases.
- E-audio/visual databases
- E-images

Purpose of e-resources

The main purport of e-resources is to amend the efficiency of the library and to render accommodations to culminate users to faculty-resources have become one of the most consequential accepts of a digital library which transmute the format of a document from an indicted paper into electronic form. E-resources play a paramount role in engenderment and dissemination of Information and cognizance.

Features of e-resources

- We get e-resources only in a form of electronic form
- We get or access concrete information from anywhere.
- Changes can be facilely & expeditiously available.
- Advance search can be possible.

Advantages of e-resources

- Accessible – Accessible the information from anywhere, no desideratum to visit the library, can be accessed from any computer on campus and conventionally any computer off campus, any time 24*7.

- Easily searchable – Full text articles and text can be probed expeditiously and facilely via online.
- Speed – Online journals can be searched speedily & accurately with in a fraction of time.
 - Links - Hypertext format should be exploited and links to cognate articles, information on other web sites, stable URLs for individual articles and email alerts when the latest issue loaded.
 - Added Value - Advantages taken on the web is to integrate value by utilizing animation, virtual authenticity and interactive mathematical charts.
 - Inexpensive - savings can be made over printing costs, distribution costs and extra costs by incipient features.
 - Flexibility - E-journals evolved expeditiously. They are not tied to a format, printer, and distribution network

Disadvantages of e-resources

- Reading of e-resources on the computer screen get difficult.
- limitations of computer monitor
- Information read on the computer.
- Often not included in indexing and abstracting services
- Search engines ignores PDF files
- Format that a large proportion of e-journal use

Conclusion:

This paper confirms that now s day's a large number of e-resources are made available; a majority of users use e-resources for their learning purpose. When all the e-resources

materials are available in the libraries and information centers and users are generally satisfied with the materials, the existing e-resources can fulfill user's needs, libraries and information centers should subscribe more e-resources.

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