

Dear Sir/Madam,

Greetings!

We are pleased to inform you that the Ministry of Education, has launched *राष्ट्रीय-पुस्तकालय* (Rashtriya e-Pustakalaya), a National Digital Library for youth on the 10th of February 2024.

राष्ट्रीय-पुस्तकालय (Rashtriya e-Pustakalaya) is a pioneering initiative, offering a digital library that serves as a national repository of knowledge and stories, specifically curated for children and adolescents. By providing seamless access to such online content, the aim is not only to develop a habit of reading and instill a sense of pride and curiosity among young Indians regarding their heritage and achievements but also to act as a knowledge hub for the younger generations.

This digital library facilitates availability of quality books across geographies, languages, genres and levels, and enables device agnostic accessibility. The Digital Library consists of non-academic books for children and adolescents categorized in four age groups i.e., 3-8, 8-11, 11-14, and 14-18 years respectively. The books cover different genres for children and adolescents like fiction, non-fiction, biographies, poetry, classics, comics, novels, etc. The repository of books in *राष्ट्रीय-पुस्तकालय* (Rashtriya e-Pustakalaya) focuses on history, culture, scientific achievements, and other significant facets of India.

An App has been developed for the initiative, which currently hosts over 1000 books sourced from 46 publishers, encompassing in 23 languages, and spanning across 13 genres. The link for downloading the App is given below for both Android and iOS:

Android:<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=national.digital.library>

iOS:<https://apps.apple.com/in/app/rashtriya-e-pustakalaya/id6475687147>

The valuable feedback from students of your institute on the initiative is most welcome.

With regards,

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