

Questionnaire

Topic: Use of Open Access Journals among the Research Scholars of Gauhati University

Questionnaire for the Research Scholar
Please put tick mark (√) wherever applicable.

1. General information

1.1 Gender:

Male Female

1.2 Faculty:.....
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2. Familiarity with the term Open Access

- a) Never heard the term
- b) Heard it but not have knowledge
- c) A little bit of knowledge
- d) Knowledgeable about the Open Access

3. If you are familiar, how you come to know about Open Access when you heard it for the first time

- a) Through internet
- b) Through journals
- c) From colleagues/friends
- d) From faculty
- e) Others

4. What does Open Access means to you?

- a) Free Access
- b) Full Text
- c) Online / Electronic format
- d) Copyright Free
- e) No Publication Fee
- f) Self Archiving
- g) Peer reviewed
- h) Final version
- i) Low quality

5. Purpose of using Open Access journals

- a) For Research work
- b) To update subject knowledge
- c) For writing papers
- d) Any other work

6. Frequency of using Open Access journals

- a) Everyday
- b) 2-4 times a week
- c) Once a week
- d) Occasionally

7. Place of access to Open Access Journals

- a) Library
- b) Department
- c) Home
- d) Mobile
- e) Others

8. How you used to find articles in Open Access Journals

- a) Search Engine
- b) Database
- c) Repositories
- d) Direct Link from Journal
- e) Others

9. Please rate the importance of Open Access journals over restricted ones in between 1 to 7.

(1 means less and 7 means more, use only one no for a particular choice)

Sl no.	Statement	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1.	Subscription cost free							
2.	Electronic format available							
3.	Can be accessed from anywhere							
4.	Greater impact factor							
5.	Copyright free							
6.	Publication are made free for author							
7.	No publication delay							

10. Problem faced in accessing Open Access journals

- a) Retrieval of irrelevant information
- b) Lack of training program for proper searching
- c) Insufficient power supply
- d) Lack of knowledge about Open Access journals
- e) Not many Open Access journals available in my subject

11. Level of satisfaction about the availability of Open Access journal over internet-

- a) Strongly satisfied
- b) Satisfied
- c) Dissatisfied
- d) Strongly dissatisfied
- e) Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied

12. Do you support Open Access movement i.e. research work should be made available in public domain?

- a) Yes
- b) No
- c) Don't know

13. Are you willing to publish your research articles in an Open Access journal in near future?

- a) Yes
- b) No
- c) Can't say

14. Name any three Open Access journals/directory you have been using-

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