

# South Asia Union Catalogue

Generous support from the [New Delhi office](#) of the [Ford Foundation](#) late in 2003 is supporting the inauguration of the South Asia Union Catalogue. Full text of the proposal is available as a PDF file at <http://dsal.uchicago.edu/csal/sauc/sauc.pdf>.

The grant to the [Sundarayya Vignana Kendram](#) is intended to improve the production, distribution, and consumption of scholarship about South Asia through improved access to bibliographic and holding information for all publications from South Asia. The first phase of the Union Catalogue will focus on publications from south India and Sri Lanka. Publications in all modern and classical languages will be encompassed.

Early in 2004 this site will include a searchable database of the first half million catalog records. Much of the bibliographic data has been provided by the [Library of Congress](#), the [South Asia Microform Project](#) at the [Center for Research Libraries](#), the [Roja Muthiah Research Library](#), and the [University of Chicago Library's Southern Asia Department](#).

The Sahitya Akademi (New Delhi, India) undertook a pilot project in 1993 for a Catalogue of Nineteenth-Century Indian Publications. Mr. K. C. Dutt's [report](#) on that project includes information that was critically important in planning the South Asia Union Catalogue.

The South Asia Union Catalogue is closely affiliated with the [Center for South Asia Libraries](#).

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