Announcement

JAIN BOOKS & Literature Recycle Project - Distribution

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Jai Jinendra and Namaste,

In the year 2021, we embarked on the <u>JAIN Books & Literature Recycling Project</u> in response to the recurring inquiries from our esteemed patrons regarding the appropriate disposal of surplus Jain Books, Magazines, and other printed Jain Literature. Many of you expressed a desire to part with these materials respectfully and without any Ashatana or disrespect.

To offer a responsible avenue for the disposal of surplus Jain Books, we introduced a pioneering initiative known as the "Jain Books Recycle" project. Within the framework of this initiative, we have been collecting surplus Jain Books, Literatures, magazines, and other printed articles at a central location. Our goal is to share these materials initially with interested organizations and individuals in the USA, followed by distribution to India.

We are delighted to announce that the initial phase of our pilot project received an overwhelming response. Subsequently, the second phase involved scanning the title pages of all collected books and cataloging them, which was successfully completed in February 2023. We are now excited to commence the third phase, where readers can peruse these books and place their requests.

Here are the steps to view and order the books:

- 1. Visit: https://bit.ly/JainBooksRecycle2023
- 2. Identify the books from the **English**, **Hindi**, **or Gujarati** lists and make note of the **SKU number** for the books you wish to acquire.
- 3. Visit this **Google form** to provide your details: https://bit.ly/2023JainBooksOrder
- 4. **Submit** the form, and we will promptly process your order.
- 5. Please submit the form by Oct 31st, 2023.
- 6. Upon approval, we will arrange for the shipment of your order.



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Please note the following **limits** and considerations:

- Institutions such as Jain Centers & Sanghs, Universities & Libraries may request any quantity of books and will be given preference over individual requests.
- Individuals can request a reasonable number of books that are required and not just for the sake of getting it.
- Books will be shipped on a first-come, first-served basis.
- Free Shipping is available only for the USA Continental 48 states.

While all aspects of this project are managed and operated by volunteers, we kindly request donations to cover the shipping costs. Donating your contributions to the **JAINA Education Committee** via PayPal (paypal.me/jainelibrary) or Zelle (treasurer@jainelibrary.org) would be greatly appreciated. Please note that your donation is tax-deductible in the USA.

If you still wish to contribute your surplus books, we encourage you to take advantage of this project. We accept surplus Jain Literature that is in good condition, readable, complete, and not torn. Please refrain from sending any Jain Upkaran or religious artifacts.

Kindly ship your surplus books to the following address:

JAINA Education – Jain Books Recycle Project

c/o JC Flag - Attn: Virendra Shah

821 E. Artesia Blvd, Carson, CA 90746

- For the most cost-effective shipping option, please use "POST OFFICE MEDIA MAIL CATEGORY," which applies only to printed books.
- Do not include any other items in the shipment to avoid delivery issues and potential additional postage charges.

We welcome your suggestions, comments, and feedback.

Jai Jinendra.

on behalf of JAINA Education Committee's - JAIN Books Recycle Project.

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