Hopkinson, Alan (2007) CDS/ISIS column. Information Development, 23 (1). pp. 11-12. ISSN 0266-6669

This version is available at: http://eprints.mdx.ac.uk/2531/

Copyright:

Middlesex University Research Repository makes the University's research available electronically.

Copyright and moral rights to this work are retained by the author and/or other copyright owners unless otherwise stated. The work is supplied on the understanding that any use for commercial gain is strictly forbidden. A copy may be downloaded for personal, non-commercial, research or study without prior permission and without charge.

Works, including theses and research projects, may not be reproduced in any format or medium, or extensive quotations taken from them, or their content changed in any way, without first obtaining permission in writing from the copyright holder(s). They may not be sold or exploited commercially in any format or medium without the prior written permission of the copyright holder(s).

Full bibliographic details must be given when referring to, or quoting from full items including the author’s name, the title of the work, publication details where relevant (place, publisher, date), pagination, and for theses or dissertations the awarding institution, the degree type awarded, and the date of the award.

If you believe that any material held in the repository infringes copyright law, please contact the Repository Team at Middlesex University via the following email address:

eprints@mdx.ac.uk

The item will be removed from the repository while any claim is being investigated.

See also repository copyright: re-use policy: http://eprints.mdx.ac.uk/policies.html#copy
If you have any Pascal programs that you do want to run, you need isispas.exe which is distributed with CDS/ISIS for Windows.

**ENTRY OF DEVANAGARI DATA IN WINISIS**

Mr Vimal Kumar Varun of the Department of Scientific & Industrial Research, Ministry of Science & Technology, in India works for the authorized national distributor of CDS/ISIS in India. He looks after its distribution and problem solving. He also provides technical help to users through one to one interactions or giving lectures including hands on experience. He has also produced the document on 'Installation of CDS/ISIS for Windows (WINISIS)' which is available at http://www.unesco.org/isis/files/winisis/windows/doc/english/WINISIS-INST_EN.pdf. He is ideally placed to satisfy enquiries on using CDS/ISIS for Hindi language material or for other Indian languages.

To create a database in Devanagari, for example, select **Choose Font** from Options in the EDIT menu. You can use any Hindi Font like Shusha. Figure 2 shows the data entry worksheet with a search screen visible behind it, showing devanagari script.

For Display/Print you also have to modify the print format. Use Fonts command, for example: fonts((roman, Times New Roman),(swiss, Shusha)). An example is given in Figure 3.
However, searching in Hindi is problematic. You can use any Hindi Font like Shusha for the bibliographic data. To avoid the problem, add an extra field in each record to enter the data to be searched in English and index this field. Searching through numerical data is not at all a problem. For more information contact Mr Varun at vkv@nic.in

In Microsoft Excel:
1. Open/Import the above .txt file with the above ($) delimiters
2. Save as a DBF-IV version file
3. Convert the DBF file into an ISO file using db2iso.pas
4. Import the ISO file into the CDS/ISIS database.