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If it happens it would be damaging for a lot of Indian researchers like me who often resort to Sci-Hub as final source of papers not available elsewhere.

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We are in support of Sci-Hub and strongly believe that they are doing a great work for the researcher communities especially for poor and underdeveloped countries. The monopoly of these publishers should be opposed which are having pure business models.

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Sci-Hub makes research possible. Indian researchers, universities and academia are simply too broke to afford reading journals legitimately. Instead of making life difficult for Sci-Hub and researchers over the world, Elsevier should make science accessible by dropping their prices. Sci-Hub and Libgen have been trying to address the problems of inequality in access through a revolutionary approach: by liberating access to the millions of manuscripts unjustifiably controlled by publishing giants. Without access to the latest literature, how will healthcare professionals learn about the latest developments in any medical field? The price for 24-hour access to one article published in The Lancet, is $31.50 – approximately Rs 2,330!
Sci-hub has made the life of every academics easy! I wonder what alternative we shall have once India bans sci-hub! I don't want to go back to the days when we had to email friends from other countries to get the full text of articles!

Can Indian scientists put an amicus curiae brief? Maybe explain exactly how scientific publishing works? No non-scientist understands how such a system is possible. Yes, Sci-Hub is illegal. But scientists have no alternative, faced with ever-higher paywalls.

The only reason students from egregiously underfunded institutions in India manage to do quality research is because of platforms like Sci-Hub and Libgen. If you block them, you block research. Period.
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Can't think of any other measure that would be as damaging to every researcher in the entire subcontinent as blocking Sci-Hub.

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This is such a terrible news coming from India. Without Sci-Hub life of all researchers would come to a halt. So much access to important papers comes from Sci Hub only. The research community has to come out in unison, promote and defend the right of free access to knowledge and academia. Open access to one and all is the need of the hour.

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Terrible news for all Indian researchers! If this goes through and Sci-Hub indeed gets banned in India, then we would require support of academics from other countries where sci-hub is functional to access paid articles! Its high time we come out openly in support of FREE OPEN ACCESS TO KNOWLEDGE AND SCIENCE!!

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Sci-Hub and LibGen are perhaps the most democratised knowledge bases which help so many people get access to work which is paywalled. We need to protect sci-hub and libgen.

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