

# NV Access

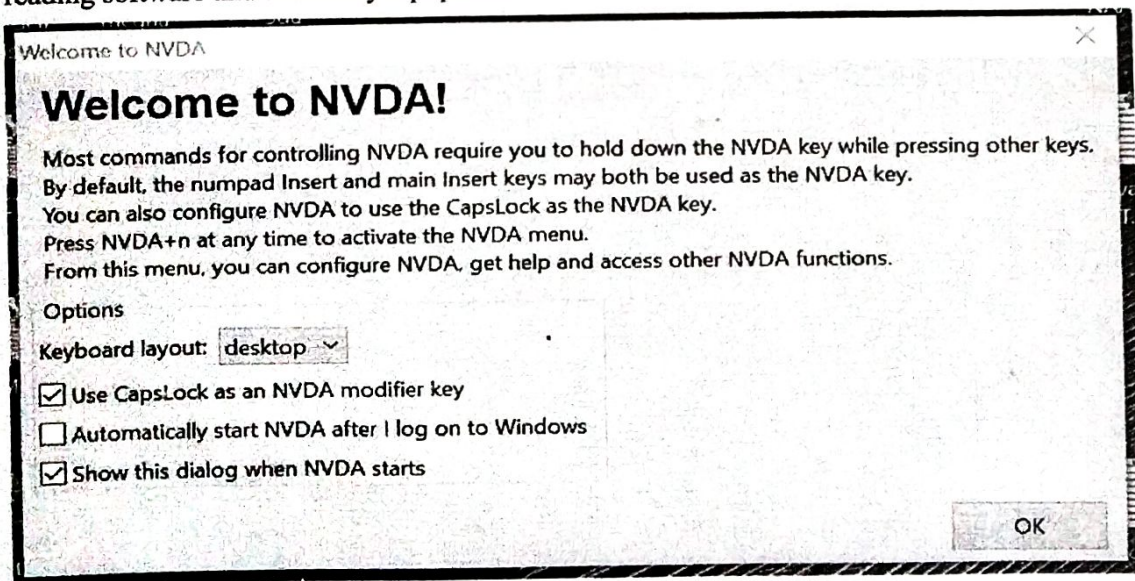
Empowering lives through  
non-visual access to technology

**NonVisual Desktop Access (NVDA)** is a **free, open-source,** portable screen reader for Microsoft Windows. The project was started by Michael Curran in 2006. NVDA is programmed in Python. It currently works exclusively with accessibility APIs such as UI Automation, Microsoft Active Accessibility, IAccessible2 and the Java Access Bridge, rather than using specialized video drivers to "intercept" and interpret visual information. It is licensed under the GNU General Public License version 2.

For blind people to use a computer, they need a screen reader which reads the text on the screen in a synthetic voice or with a braille display. But in many cases screen reading software costs more than the computer itself. In the past this has left computers inaccessible to millions of blind people around the world. This is a critical problem, because without computers, access to education and employment is severely limited, not to mention everyday functions such as online banking, shopping and news.



A special arrangement is facilitated in the college library with 10 computers with screen reading software and necessary equipment's.



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7.1.7 The Institution has disabled-friendly, barrier free environment:

Q. Bills and details for the software procured for providing the assistance for the disabled , attested by Principal.

**Response:** This is to clarify that NVDA Software Installed in MEMS Lab is open source software . Installation and use of NVDA is free. hence bills/ invoices for the purchase order, bills and details for the software procured are not applicable for this software



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