chosen Optical Character Recognition as main fundamental technique to recognize characters. The conversion of paper documents in to electronic format is an on-going task in many of the organizations particularly in Research and Development (R&D) area, in large business enterprises, in government institutions, so on. From our problem statement we can introduce the necessity of Optical Character Recognition in mobile electronic devices such as cell phones, digital cameras to acquire images and recognize them as a part of face recognition and validation.

To effectively use Optical Character Recognition for character recognition in-order to perform Document Image Analysis (DIA), we are using the information in Grid format.

This system is thus effective and useful in *Virtual Digital Library's* design and construction.

1.1 PURPOSE

The main purpose of Optical Character Recognition (OCR) system based on a grid infrastructure is to perform Document Image Analysis, document processing of electronic document formats converted from paper formats more effectively and efficiently. This improves the accuracy of recognizing the characters during document processing compared to various existing available character recognition methods. Here OCR technique derives the meaning of the characters, their font properties from their bit-mapped images.

The primary objective is to speed up the process of character recognition in document processing. As a result the system can process huge number of documents with-in less time and hence saves the time.