

Joomla 4 Tutorials: How to use Language override

Language override in Joomla is important to modify the default language text. Many users directly use to edit the language file and lost the changes during updates. Joomla language manager solves this issue and creates an override of language values with few clicks. In this blog post, we discuss the works of Joomla language manager on Joomla 4.

Create an override :

In Joomla many users want to change the language values according to needs.

For example, Joomla breadcrumb module shows: You are here: with language constant MOD_BREADCRUMBS_HERE

To create an override in Joomla. Login to Joomla 4 admin > System > Language override.

Note: This tutorial also works on Joomla 3.x. (Kindly navigate to Extension > language override in Joomla 3.x)

Select Filter to create override on Frontend language or Backend. Now If you know the value of constant you can choose Constant from Filter. Otherwise, choose a value.

- Constant: MOD_BREADCRUMBS_HERE

- Value: You are here:

For a normal user it's hard to know what language constant has been used to find the exact value, thanks to Joomla language override value option that allows to search directly value and give all result where the search words are used.

Select the Correct override value you want to override. And Click on it will give the option to create an override. Now Change the Text: You are here: and save.

There are many language values you can override like Articles hits, Next Previous navigation, Footer text. You can also create an override for the templates and extensions installed on your site and make the Joomla website more user-friendly for your user base.

Tips to Note:

1. Add a new language constant :

Joomla language manager override can also be useful to add new language constant and value that does not exist on language file. You can define language constant inside the PHP, js files and define its value using language override options. All overrides are saved in the file site root folder `/language/overrides/`.

2. Add Image in language values :

Language constants work with HTML code and this will allow you to add images in it. You can add image code in the value and this will help you to display with the language value.
Note: You need to add the image code with Text.

Save override and Check frontend.

Joomla language overrides are always the first choice to override the values, it's easy to manage and save overrides on Joomla, templates and extensions updates.

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