

From the Desk of the Chief Editor

It is our great pleasure that the 2nd issue of the 1st volume of *Social Science Spectrum* is now ready and is being published. We are especially happy to announce that this is the inaugural issue having the ISSN tag. Thanks to the untiring efforts of the members of the Society for Scientific Aptitude, within a short period of time we have been able to publish the journal with ISSN. A new innings has, indeed, started in our quest towards attaining academic excellence.

This issue contains seven articles, apart from containing one communication under the category *Notes and Commentaries*. This issue has, indeed, greater diversity than the inaugural one. The articles in this issue broadly pertain to the areas of demography, economics, history and governance; there are papers related to India, comparative country experiences and also pure theoretical exercises. In the coming months, we hope to receive and publish papers on other areas of social sciences, notably anthropology, psychology and so on.

We acknowledge our deep gratitude to all the contributors for reposing faith on our journal and for submission of original, rigorous research papers. Their active cooperation, especially during the nascent stage of the journal, will go a long way in not only establishing the reputation of the journal, but also will help us in maintaining the acceptability and credibility of the publication.

It needs to be admitted that there may be teething troubles in the early stages; however, we shall appreciate constructive suggestions and criticisms from the readers and well wishers and assure that we shall try to maintain our punctuality and quality.

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