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Editorial

The Department of Languages and Mass Communication (DOLMC) at Kathmandu University School of Arts (KUSOA) has been offering Bachelor in Media Studies (BMS), Masters in Media Studies (MMS), and Ph.D. programs in three streams – Communication/Media, English, and Nepali. It is the editorial home of *Bodhi: An Interdisciplinary Journal* since 2007. It has been organizing various programs such as workshops, seminars and conferences at local, national and international levels. Besides, the Department offers a short-term training course on filmmaking. A short-term professional course on academic writing also has been launched. Recently, the Department conducted a refresher course, “Advanced Theoretical Foundations on De-Westernization and Reorientation in Communication” in which faculties, Ph.D. scholars and other researchers from 28 universities of five countries participated. The Department is organizing an International Seminar on Two Decades of the Sadharanikaran Model of Communication on Sunday, 26 May 2024.

From this issue, *Bodhi: An Interdisciplinary Journal* has become a quarterly. Thus, there will be four issues of the journal every year. This change in frequency of publication signifies our commitment to creating an academic forum for faculties, scholars and researchers across the disciplines and across the World. whereas the journal will continue to embrace the discipline of communication/media at its core, its scope and outlook towards multidisciplinary/interdisciplinary research will be further enhanced.

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Likewise, the Editorial Board of the journal has also been restructured. For the first time, Bodhi has got a designated Chief Editor, and the editorial board led by Dr. Nirmala Mani Adhikary includes faculties from the universities of Nepal, India and Indonesia. The diversity in the Advisory Board and the Editorial Board is also accompanied by broader participation of reviewers from across the international academia.

Bodhi (बोधि) is a Sanskrit word that means "enlightenment" or "awakening." The term Bodhi is used in a number of philosophical schools of Vedic Hinduism, Buddhism and Jainism to signify the quest for true and eternal knowledge. Since its first issue, the editors of *Bodhi: An Interdisciplinary Journal* have tried to uphold the journal's spirit as an open forum for the knowledge seekers across the world. We expect more multidisciplinary/interdisciplinary contributions from across the world in the future.

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