

Editorial Message from the Editor-in-Chief

It is my profound pleasure to extend a very warm welcome to the readership of this Vol 20 (1) issue of Nepal Journal of Science and Technology (NJST), a peer-reviewed journal published by Nepal Academy of Science and Technology (NAST). NJST is focused on research and review conducted on applied and natural sciences. As NAST is the apex body of Science and Technology in Nepal, this Journal published by the Academy is a multidisciplinary publication embracing broad spectrum of areas and topics on S&T. It is a valuable platform for researchers to share research findings and discussions on the aspects of S&T that are beneficial to national and international communities.



2021 has been another challenging year posing numerous hindrances due to pandemic. However, it is very encouraging for us to find the increasing number of manuscripts submission. We have taken this as a positive indicator of the growing interest of the researchers from home and abroad to publish their research in NJST. This also recites the viability of this Journal and I am confident that NJST will mark its place in the global scientific community very soon.

The world is ever changing and the journey of our civilization till now. This has not been possible without research, its findings and proper documentation. Journal is one of the powerhouses, where the valuable research findings are documented and preserved. Publishing a Journal is not a small feat. It is a team work and requires lots of patience, dedication and hard work. Hence, I am very much grateful to the Peer Reviewers, Editorial and Advisory Boards and Guest Editors for dedicating their time, expertise and patience to help the authors improve manuscripts. My sincere thanks go to the Managing Editor and Associate Editor for their continuous endeavor to publish this Issue of NJST and also for the efforts in ensuring the quality of the publication.

Despite the tough situation and challenges, the determination and hard work of the Journal team has made the publication of this issue happen. As the next issue of NJST is also undergoing the reviewing process, I ensure you that it will also publish very soon. I am optimistic that with your full aid as authors, reviewers and editors the year 2022 will be of very bright prospects for NJST to serve society through scientific research outputs. NJST has great potential for further development and hence, as an Editor-in-chief, my personal focus will always be to promote the quality of the journal still further and guide it to becoming the journal with the high impact factor.

Hope the year 2022 will be full of scientific discoveries and innovations. Wish you all a Happy and Healthy Year 2022.

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