EDITORIAL

Wish You All A Happy And Prosperous New Year 2017!

When January 2017 issue of Indian Welding Journal will reach you, it will be the colourfull Spring. Hope you will all enjoy the Seasonal Beauty merrily.

We have passed really a joyful **Golden Jubilee Year 2016** of The Indian Institute of Welding. IIW-Indians and concerned others have celebrated the Golden Jubilee with overwhelming zeal and enthusiasm all over India, at the Head Quarter and at different branches, chapters and sections. Now it is the turn of **Indian Welding Journal** to bring out **Volume 50** of its publication throughout this year **2017** with some added features.

Reports of the event, **Young Professional Seminar** on "Advances in Welding Technology and Automation" organised by Baroda Branch on October 01 2016 and **Young Engineers Competition 2016** organized by Cochin Branch on November 11 2016, are included in this issue. Detailed report on the organization of **National Welding Seminar 2016** and Weld India 2016 held in Kolkata on December 15-17 2016 is also there in this issue. With this, celebration of the Golden Jubilee of IIW-India concluded. The report on the **Intermediatory Meetings of the International Institute of Welding** held in Paris 0n 09-13/01/2017 is printed in this 1st issue of volume 50 of Indian Welding Journal along with Branch reports and Section reports.

The column, "Tit Bit in Welding" consists of two articles: **"An approach to best welding practice: Part-V"** written by Mr. S. K. Gupta that deals with setting GMAW equipment, and **"Safety in Welding in a Nutshell"** contributed by Mr. Rituraj Bose. I owe gratitude to the respective authors for the contribution.

Dr. Placid Rodrigue Memorial Lecture 2016 article is published in this issue. The topic is **"A study on welding of ultrahigh strength steels"**. Dr. P. Venkata Ramana delivered this lecture in 2016.

Two contributory articles are published in this issue. One is on "Repairing and welding experience of LN₂ cryogenic transfer line of 80 K distribution system of SST-1" by Rajiv Sharma, Hiren Nimawat, Gaurav Purwar and V. L. Tanna, and the second one is on "Challenges involved in qualifying butt weld of dissimilar materials and dissimilar thicknesses for subsea connectors system" authored by Vijay Tayade and Milind Darje. The first article is chosen from NWS 2016 papers presented and the second one is from NWS 2015. All the contributed articles are peer reviewed, and plagiarism checked by Crossref System.

Prospective authors are requested to contribute research articles, case studies, etc. for the Contributory article section or for the column, "Tit Bit in Welding" following Author Guideline available in www.iiwindia.com. All the articles are to send to the **Chief Editor through email (ID: iwj.iiw@gmail.com)** in MS-word and PDF files.

We have started digitizing the published articles of the IWJ since Volume 1 1968 to make a complete archive. The metadata extracted from the published articles will appear in i-Scholar and j-Gate platform in the website. From the Golden Jubilee Year 2016, the work of assigning DOI (digital object identifier) to the research articles published in the IWJ has been started. You may please surf through http://www.i-scholar.in/index.php/IWJ to follow the published articles, etc. With this, Indian Welding Journal will surely find more readers from across the globe. I look forward to your valuable suggestions for betterment of the journal.

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