

From the Desk of the Editor

In this Rainy Season 2017, Volume 87 No.1&2, January-June, 2017 issue of the Journal of the Association of Engineers, India is being published. Readers of the journal are habituated with the Column of the President of the Association, Prof. Dr. Madhusudan Bhattacharyya; however, due to sickness of Prof. Bhattacharyya, this column cannot be included in this issue. Let us all hope for quick recovery of Him so that this column can be commenced from the next issue of the journal.

There are few contributed papers published in this issue covering different areas. Apart from these, a number of articles is included as forwarded by the Organizing Secretary of the 1st International Conference on Frontiers in Optimization Theory and Applications (FOTA-2016) organized by the Operation Research Society of India, Kolkata Chapter. Hope the articles would be found interesting by the readers.

We have already launched Abstracting service using i-Scholar and j-Gate system. Full journal volumes are available in the website, www.i-scholar.in/index.php/JAEI. Anybody can access the same, and read the abstracts free of cost. However, full length papers are to be accessed against a price. DOI number is assigned to each published article since the year 2010. We have started plagiarism checking of the submitted articles using Crossref system promoted by iThenticate facility. Abstracting service for all the available published articles has been started. Hope the work will be completed shortly. Special thanks to M/s. Informatics Publishing Limited, Bengaluru for doing this task. Authors are requested to use 'ResearchGate' for circulating their papers widely among the world community.

I sincerely thank contributors for submitting articles to this journal. I sincerely thank the Organising Secretary, Dr. Samarjit Kar of the 1st International Conference on Frontiers in Optimization Theory and Applications (FOTA-2016) held in Kolkata for forwarding few papers for possible publication in the Journal. The service of the honorable reviewers is acknowledged sincerely to maintain standard of the journal. Comments and discussion on the published articles are welcome in the form of 'Letter to the Editor' to publish in the journal. A new column, 'Member in the News' has been started from this issue. Members may please communicate their achievements to publish in this column.

'Association News' lists different activities undertaken by the Association. The Membership Form of the Association is included at the end. New members are invited to get associated with this organisation which is approaching the Centenary Year in 2018. An organization can also become an Institutional Member by applying for the same on its letterhead.

Articles are invited for consideration for publication in the Journal of the Association of Engineers, India. Authors are requested to follow 'Author Guideline' given at the end of this issue. They would have to submit a 'Declaration' before publication of the article in the journal. A conference paper may also be published in this journal after appropriate extension and revision through the process of peer review. Conference organizers may contact the Editor in this regard. Detail of the Author Guideline, Declaration Form, Subscription Form and Advertisement Contract Form are available in the Association website, www.aeindia.org.in.

Wish you all the Season's Greetings!!

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