

**Editorial Note:**

**HOW IS LIFE? WHAT OUR RESEARCHERS THINKING TODAY?**

Paper writing during the COVID-19 lockdown was, in my opinion, a very positive and encouraging step. However, for the editorial committee it was difficult to get a proper person for the review work. Thanks to all for enabling me, at last, to write up this editorial. Zoological sciences in the twenty first century are increasingly getting integrated with agriculture, fisheries, livestock, public health, environmental sciences, biodiversity, wildlife, natural resource conservation, molecular biology, etc., pushing the boundaries in human wellbeing issues, global production and environmental protection. Steps for building a better earth have been a more and more important issue in the past few decades as there is no option of another planet for the human race. Settings which are complete with optimally operational natural biota from microscopic organisms, plants, heterotrophs through top carnivores and mankind, are all that are needed for healthy environment. Bangladesh though still a small agriculture-based country has drawn, of late, some attention from the global climate change perspectives. Though not a major contributor, still, in changing the global climate scenario, the impacts are, however, many. These are in the fields of fisheries, forestry, biodiversity, habitat diversity, and what not?

Use of pesticide, genetically modified organisms (GMOs), and even alien species are often discouraged in farming systems of Bangladesh. But how long can we feed the huge population with traditional or organic farming in the small land mass that we have? And what are the challenges of all our activities on ecosystems? What is the present state of our environment - a vital question that needs to be answered!! What are the changes, and can those be, at least, mitigated? How can we improve the ecosystem services?

One of the effective steps, to begin with, can be the assessment of various pertinent published papers, particularly in the Bangladesh Journal of Zoology. Definitely, we can also do more. We should conduct more research in the applied fields of Zoology, and encourage compilation of the pertinent knowledge bases.

In the end I would like to express a desire that to say good bye to Covid-19 lockdown!!! Stay safe.

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