

The global havoc caused by COVID-19 pandemic is continuing. However, our commitment to timely publication of MIST International Journal of Science and Technology (MIJST) has not been deterred. We are delighted to inform you that the Volume 09, June 2021 issue of the journal has come out on schedule. It was only possible by the hard work, commitment and synergies of authors, reviewers, editorial and production teams. As always, the journal is fully committed to publishing theoretical and applied research outputs from any fields of science, engineering, and technology that will help our planet earth.

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Academics/faculty members, researchers, professionals, and industry practitioners are urged to submit their unpublished, original, and innovative contributions from any branch of science, engineering, technology, and related fields. All submitted contributions will go through a double-blind peer-review process with effective feedback. We are committed to publishing high quality original, innovative, and latest findings as original articles and review articles (by invitation).

This June issue, 2021 includes six original research articles focussing on water collection methods from plume of a cooling tower, bank-line behaviour of rivers in mangroves, GIS approach for hydrological modelling, behaviour of recycled brick aggregate concrete, applicability of various fuels in SI engines, ecosystem services and disservices in urban environment. Each of these six articles deal with real-world problems and broadens our knowledgebase.

Over and above this, I wholeheartedly thank the Chief Patron, Executive Editor, Associate Editors, Section Editors, Reviewers, other Editors and Proof-readers, Editorial/Advisory Board members (national and international), and web production consultant for their all-out support, commitment, hard work, and passion for this journal. I call upon you to promote the MIST International Journal of Science and Technology (MIJST) among colleagues, research scholars, and library liaison officers.

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