

It gives me immense pleasure to note that MIST International Journal of Science and Technology (MIJST) has set yet another instance of timely publication through the on time publication of its December 2023 issue. I express my heart-felt gratitude to the authors, editors, reviewers, and the entire production team of MIJST for making it happen.

The Editorial and Advisory board members are fully committed to ensuring that the MIST International Journal of Science and Technology (MIJST) is indexed in the Directory of Open Access Journals (DOAJ), SCOPUS, and Web of Science (WoS) within the shortest possible time frame. It may be noted, that MIJST has already been indexed by a number of databases, including BanglaJOL, Publons, Creative Common, Microsoft Academic Search, Google Scholar, DOI Crossref, and the Open Journal system.

I respectfully request you to submit your unpublished, original, and creative scholarly work in any field of science, engineering, technology, or related disciplines to our journal. To ensure quality, originality, and creativity, all submitted contributions are made to go through a double-blind peer review process to receive helpful feedback and suggestions for quality enhancement of the articles published in the journal.

Seven unique research papers are included in the December 2023 issue. These articles deal with the intelligent head-bot for the development of an artificial intelligent-based cognitive platform, the deposition of steel over steel by friction surfacing technique, concrete characteristics with F-class fly ash, the development of a space-born antenna reflector via 3D printing, contemporary practice of terracotta, antibacterial and antiviral face mask characteristics and challenges, and the bit error rate performance in code division multiple access free space optical links under fog. Every one of the seven articles addresses a pertinent topic.

I would like to express my profound gratitude to the Chief Patron, Executive Editor, Associate Editors, Section Editors, Reviewers, Language and Copy Editors, Members of the Editorial and Advisory Boards, Proofreaders, and Web Production Consultant for their unwavering dedication and hard work.

I humbly ask that you inform your colleagues, academics, research students, and library liaisons officers about MIJST.

Your insightful feedback, concepts, and recommendations are most welcome. Please contact me via email at mijst@mist.ac.bd or firoz.alam@rmit.edu.au, or via phone at +61 3 99256103.

Sincerely,

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