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## EDITORIAL

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It would remain the concerted and consistent endeavour of the Editor and the Editorial Board to make the University Journal of high academic quality. We bring out this Issue of 2012, the first one having an ISSN with a great sense of satisfaction. It consists of papers from various streams, on divergent issues, in different languages and from within and outside the state of Jammu & Kashmir. However, I would appreciate if we receive more articles from the disciplines of Science Faculty, for the world has come much closer due to globalization and issues have cut across disciplines and boundaries- gender, environment, development, rural and urban spaces, technology...the list is endless. We again call upon the authors to follow the 'guidelines for the contributors' as the same were not adhered to strictly for the articles of this Issue.

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