





I I am delighted that 'ENSEMBLE,' the bi-lingual peer-reviewed academic journal of Dr. Meghnad Saha College, is bringing out its 1st Conference Special Issue. This issue accommodates the selected articles presented in the International Conference on "Equality, Diversity and Inclusivity: Issues and Concerns," held on 25 September 2021, which was organized by the School of Education, Lovely Professional University in collaboration with the Department of Education, Dr. Meghnad Saha College. The conference has attracted many researchers and academicians on the same platform to exchange their views and thoughts on Equality, Diversity, and Inclusivity.

I am also delighted that the researchers and academicians from different fields of social sciences and sciences demonstrate an interest in sharing their research on several frontier areas relevant to Equality, Diversity, and Inclusivity. This issue of the journal contains a few outstanding articles which shed light on contemporary research in social sciences and sciences. This special issue also acts as a forum for exchanging interdisciplinary knowledge among researchers, academicians, and students.

As a patron of this promising journal, I am thankful to the authors for their excellent contributions and reviewers for sparing their valuable time and critical assessment, which helped this journal to raise the standard of the articles. Furthermore, I express my sincere thanks to all learned members of the editorial board, the board of editorial advisors, and all teaching staff of the college for their trust, patience, and wholehearted cooperation despite the many difficulties faced during the period of the pandemic. I am also thankful to Dr. Mukunda Mishra, Vice Principal and the Managing and Publishing Editor of this Journal, who has extended tireless efforts throughout reviewing, editing, and publishing each and every article.

I must congratulate the entire team and members from the collaborating institutions for their outstanding efforts and wish the wide readership of this curated thematic issue of ENSEMBLE.

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FOREWORD