EDITORIAL

Studies in Humanities and Social Sciences have been serving the scholarly world for decades since its inception. It has published the research findings of eminent scholars in the field of Humanities and Social Sciences. Over the years it has helped in promoting knowledge in India and abroad by reaching out to all sections of the scholarly community. The articles published in this journal have reached all corners of the world because of its wide circulation. Along with other journals of the IIAS, SHSS has been a symbol of the vibrant creativity of emerging scholarship in India.

The present issue of the journal contains papers in various fields such as literature, culture, philosophy, journalism, history, tribal studies and so on. These papers have articulated the viewpoints of several scholars who are seeking new knowledge in areas yet not explored. The highlight of this issue is an essay by the great author; Bankim Chandra Chatterjee translated from the original in Bengali language. There are articles relating to Vedic medicines, Buddhist philosophy, tribal life-world and their history, and also other areas of scholarly interest. Besides the articles, there is a book review-cum discussion on an important publication of the IIAS and Routledge in collaboration.

We hope the readers will like the present Issue for the variety of topics which have been covered and for the new ideas that are presented by the authors.

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