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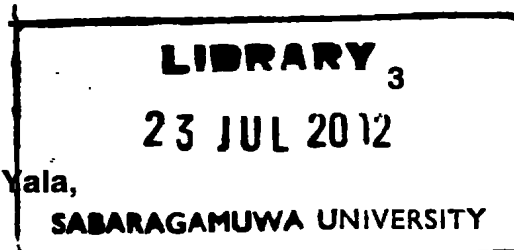
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## **Editorial**

The issue Vol.5 No. 1 of the Sabaragamuwa University Journal has brought together the scholarly efforts of eight Sri Lankan academics, a blend of the sciences, the social sciences and languages. If research has had to compete with the time factor under the present reforms to course structures in the National Universities; this issue of the Journal has proven the capacity/potential possessed by our academics in meeting that challenge to the system's satisfaction. However, there is more to be desired in terms of assistance from the administrative setup applicable to each university, a more healthy sense of time allocation and academic freedom, for the pursuance of new knowledge.

The Editor wishes to stress that in putting together a volume of academic research, one is often confronted by the lethargy cum irresponsibility of some academics who blithely ignore the reality that contemporary findings must necessarily reach the wider community of scholars, policy planners and the populace with minimum delay. Instances are many when writers and referees callously disregard deadlines for submissions, thus making it a daunting task to reach the said beneficiaries with discoveries and innovations within a realistic, context-bound timeframe. Delayed submissions in spite of fast computers, email, faster copying facilities and better libraries – this is the big paradox.

Being the first online research journal in Sri Lanka, we are proud that the Sabaragamuwa University Journal has benefited academics and others during a continuous run, seeing us reach our fifth volume. Thanks are due to Vice Chancellor, Professor Rohana Mahaliyanaarachchi, the former Co-ordinating Editors, the Centre for Computer Studies, Ms. Nilushika Kularatne and all staff at the Office of the Sabaragamuwa University Journal for placing these achievements within our reach.

The future shall see better endeavour.

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