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Editorial

It gives me great pleasure to write on the publication of the first issue of the UAP Journal of Civil and Environmental Engineering. As a proud partner of this endeavor, I am extremely happy to be associated with the start of a journey that I believe will take us a long way in the path of knowledge and research.

The journey from technical bulletin to technical journal has taken us more than a year, but it leaves a sense of great fulfillment. Ever since the departmental technical bulletin was published and received appreciation in the engineering community, we had the vision of bringing out a biannual technical journal. And we wanted it to be a quality publication, which will be accepted internationally. We soon realized that it was a much different scheme altogether. Fortunately the call for papers was responded with a large number of contributions from home and abroad. However the review process, acquiring ISSN number, final formatting and editing took much longer than we expected, but we never compromised on quality and in the end I believe we have indeed come up with a publication that we had originally dreamt of.

It was my privilege to be associated with the editorial board that included my energetic colleagues in the department of CEE and a number of luminaries in the field of civil engineering in our country as well as abroad. No praise is high enough for their efforts.

I would like to thank the authors of various papers for their invaluable contribution to the journal. Each paper was rigorously (and anonymously) reviewed by two distinguished members of the civil and environmental engineering community. I am grateful to each of them for their valuable time and objective assessment of the papers, which has enriched the journal and formed the final list of papers for this issue.

I am grateful to the university authority for their whole-hearted encouragement and financial support for this publication. In return, I would like to promise that future issues of UAP Journal of Civil and Environmental Engineering will be even more worthwhile and will add to the university's reputation as a pioneer in quality research and publication.

Professor Dr. M. R. Kabir
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