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## EDITOR'S NOTE

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With nearly 10 years under its belt, the Department of Law and Human Rights of the University of Asia Pacific is about to reach its adolescence. The department started off its journey in 2005 with the aim of providing quality legal education among its students and to carry out interdisciplinary research. This journal is part of that aim as the contributors who are all experts of international repute looked at the relationship of law with other subjects such as anthropology, human rights and international trade. Further, these are exciting times for Bangladeshis as our big neighbor has recently ratified the land boundary agreement. This will no doubt give joy to the people in the border areas of both India and Bangladesh as they were deprived of citizenship rights for the last 44 years! However will this diplomatic victory stem the internal unrest and disillusionment the country is facing at the moment? Some of the contributors attempted to analyze these areas.

I would like to express here my appreciation to my editorial colleagues and the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Asia Pacific, Dr. Jamilur Reza Chowdury for his encouragement. Comments are always welcome, and so are contributions which will be channeled into the journal's editorial review process. We are aiming to provide prospective contributors with preliminary comments and guidance on their proposed ideas, outlines, drafts and conference papers. Finally I would like to thank the staff and colleagues at the Department of Law and Human Rights for their considerable assistance in making this issue possible. The challenges of marrying academics' liberal conception of time schedules with the rather less liberal ones of a publisher were met by them with their customary grace and patience. This was and is very much appreciated.

Dr. Chowdhury Ishrak Ahmed Siddiky

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