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Volume 53 Number 3 July 2020 issue of Indian Welding Journal is being readied amidst the lockdown and unlock phases under the CoVID19 pandemic situation. Already more than a crore of people is affected with this Novel Corona virus and few lakhs have expired. People should maintain the prescribed safety measures as stipulated by the WHO and concerned Government directives. At this point of time, it becomes difficult to predict anything about the time frame when the situation will become normal.

During the period of April-June 2020, physical activities have become restricted. Therefore, different web-based activities could only be organized by Branches, Sections and Chapters of IIW-India. A report of the Webinars arranged is given in this July 2020 issue. AWS (American Welding Society) section is included as usual.

Mr. Samir Kumar Gupta has contributed his nineteenth **"Tit Bit in Welding"** article. The title is **"An Approach to Best Welding Practice: Part– XIX"**. This article focuses on the generation and computer based storage of welding data required as a working guideline for planning engineers, welding coordinators and quality managers working in an engineering fabrication plant using welding as the main manufacturing process. **Mr. Nasid Husain and Mr. Navin Badlani** have contributed the second **"Tit Bit in Welding"** article in this issue on **"Purging Solutions"**.

The Award Lecture 2020 for Keith Hartley Memorial Lecture was delivered by **Mr. Abby Joseph** on **"Welding Challenges in Reactor/ Pressure Vessel Construction for Oil and Gas Refining Applications"** during International Congress 2020, Mumbai. This is published in this issue.

Esab India Award is given to the **Best Technical Paper across all Categories**. Based on the paper presented in National Welding Seminar-2018, Cochin, this award was given in 2020 to the paper, **"Improving Productivity and Automation of Offshore Platforms and Pressure Vessels"** authored by **Hitesh Bhanushali, Adil Bhatena, Hemal Patel, Hardeep Singh, Pratik Gandhi and Rinquin Vaghani**.

The Best Paper in Reclamation and Repair Welding in Steel Plant gets **CEO BSP Award**, and the paper with the title, **"Stabilizing Flash Butt Welding of Varied Chemistry Steels during End-To-End Coil Joining"** authored by **Nikhil Shajan, Kanwer Singh Arora, Mahadev Shome, Atanu Roy, Patnaik U.S., Niranjan Behera and Santhanagopalan V** and presented in National Welding Seminar-2018, Cochin got this award in 2020.

The research article on **"Investigation of Laser Welding Processes for Automotive Structural Applications"** authored by **Subramanian J, Supriyo Ganguly, Wojciech Suder and Debajyoti Mukherjee** and presented in International Congress 2020, Mumbai is also being published in this issue.

From this issue, the ORCID number of the author is also included newly following the recent practices of the reputed international journals, etc.

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Suggestions from the readers are requested for further improvement of the journal.

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