EDITORIAL

July 2017 issue of Volume 50 of Indian Welding Journal is brought out within rainy season amidst lush green surroundings. Due to some unavoidable circumstances, publication of this issue is somewhat delayed. The Editor is happy to state that recently this journal is included in the list of approved journals by the UGC (University Grants Commission).

Reports of different activities of branches and sections of IIW-India as usual find a place in this issue. Proceedings of the Annual Assembly of the International Institute of Welding held in 2017 in Sanghai, China is also included in this issue beside other regular sections. "Tit Bit in Welding" column is written by Mr. S. K. Gupta. The title of the article reads: "An approach to best welding practice: Part—VII". Setting up of the equipment and different accessories related to Gas Metal Arc Welding (GMAW) with a special reference to Welding Guns and Torches to obtain the best results in shop floor operation is the main theme of this article. I acknowledge sincerely the contribution of Mr. Gupta to this column.

Three contributory research articles are included in this issue. The first one is on **"Study on effect of dilution on grain size and mechanical properties"** authored by Dr. Brijpal Singh, the second one is on **"An investigation on the anti-corrosion characteristics of stainless steel cladding"** contributed by Anup Kumar Verma and others. The last article is on **"Experimental investigation on metallurgy of high vacuum electron beam welded Ni base alloy inconel 718"**, authors being Jalpa Zalawadia and Kulbhushan Kumar Lamba.

The system of assigning DOI (Digital Object Identifier) and Plagiarism Checking through Crossref of iThenticate system related to each research article is being continued that was introduced since the first issue of Golden Jubilee Volume of Indian Welding Journal published in this year. Thus, visibility of Indian Welding Journal increases, and high quality of published articles is maintained.

Prospective authors are invited to submit research articles, case studies, etc. for the Contributory article section or for the column, "Tit Bit in Welding" following Author Guideline available in www.iiwindia.com. All the articles are to send to the Chief Editor through email (ID: iwi.iiw@gmail.com) both in MS-word and pdf files.

Substantial work of digitization of the published articles of the IWJ since Volume 1 1968 is completed, and one may please surf the archive of IWJ through the website, http://www.i-scholar.in/index.php/IWJ. Thanks are due to M/s. Informatics Publishing Limited, Bangalore to carrying out this task. Abstracting of published articles are done using EBSCO, USA, Indian Citation Index (ICI), i-Scholar and j-Gate facility. Hope with this, Indian Welding Journal will find more readers from across the globe.

The Editor requests valuable suggestions from readers for betterment of the journal.

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