EDITORIAL

We are delighted to bring out Volume – 18 of the Biannual- CVR Journal of Science and Technology, due in June 2020, almost in time, without any delay, despite the difficulties created by COVID-19 Pandemic. Corona Virus has affected the whole world. Educational field is also badly affected. On-Line Teaching methods, video conferences, meetings etc. are used effectively, by many in post CIVID-19 scenario. New methods and technology usage may be seen in teaching - learning process.

This Volume has DOI number and e-ISSN number along with print ISSN number on the cover page. Every research article published is given DOI number and they can be accessed on-line. On-line portal is also created for the Journal. This Volume is also brought out in time, with the co-operation of all the authors and editorial team, despite some issues with Anti-plagiarism software. We are thankful to the Management for supporting this activity, and permitting to publish the journal in color print, using quality printing paper.

Editorial Team of CVR Journal thanks all the authors, contributors, reviewers and the management in helping us in bringing out Volume-18, almost in time in this difficult period. As all educational institutions were closed for a long time, authors and reviewers had many constraints, but Wi-Fi connectivity is very well used to overcome the difficulties and we all could connect successfully in completing the task in time.

The Volume covers research articles in the following disciplines: the breakup of papers is:

In this issue also, total number of research articles published is increased to 25.

This issue carries an interesting article on the effect of several admixtures in the strength of light weight clay pertaining to civil engineering. In the same area, two more research articles relating to Fiber concrete and FEM Method are published. A research paper on implementation of 2x2 MIMO-OFDM system and another on gender classification from speech signal are also published in the branch of electronics and communication engineering. Rapid diagnosis of Malaria, a method using blood smear is explained in one article. Research papers published in this issue are expected to be of much interest to the readers.

I am thankful to all the members of the Editorial Board for their help in reviewing and short listing the research papers for inclusion in the current Volume of the journal. I wish to thank **Dr. S. Venkateshwarlu, HOD, EEE** for the effort made in bringing out this Volume. Thanks are due to **HOD, H & S, Dr. G. Bhikshamaiah** and the staff of English Department for reviewing the papers. I am also thankful to **Smt. A. Sreedevi, DTP Operator** in the Office of Dean Research for the preparation of research papers in Camera - Ready form.

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