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## **EDITORIAL**

Dear readers and contributors of IJAEB,

It is now more than a decade the first issue of IJAEB was published. In this period IJAEB has undergone a rapid evolution to become a very important journal in the field of agriculture, environment and biotechnology you're your sustained cooperation.

I am pleased to share with you all that agriculture as usual will lead India's economic revival. The basic arguments which crystalized this feelings are manifested through the statistics with reference to food grain production in 2019-20 which was 3.7% higher than the previous fiscal year. Looking at the procurement of *rabi* wheat, it is evident that the country achieved 12.6% higher than the previous year indicating resilience in the agricultural sector. Further looking at the details of food inflation, area under *kharif* sowing and government's economic package for agriculture it is increasingly felt that will further position agriculture as the engine of revival.

Having attained a high Index last year with high citation in reputed journals across the globe. This is a tremendous achievement in such a short time frame. Clearly there was scope for further improvement which could offer fast track, free access publishing whilst maintaining internationally accepted standards of peer-reviewed publication.

The rapid growth of IJAEB has resulted in a greatly increased workload for the honorary editors and editorial board members as well as the highly committed staff of the IJAEB publishing office in Delhi and Kolkata. I am indebted to all of you for this committed efforts. I also wish to acknowledge the contributions made by the dedicated members of our Editorial Board and the hard working reviewers. The recent success of the journal is a testimony to their commitment.

Finally, I would like to thank you, the contributors and readers of IJAEB, for your interest in the journal and I encourage you to continue to send us your invaluable feedback and ideas for further improvement.

May Lord shower you with blessings as we enter into the New Year 2021!

Sincerely

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