

## **EDITORIAL**

Finally another year has elapsed and it is time for us to present before you the annual Medical Journal of Shree Birendra Hospital (MJSBH), year 2060 B.S. volume-VI on the 78<sup>th</sup> birth anniversary of Shree Birendra Hospital.

There have been many happenings in the past year socio-economically, politically and medically. The epidemic of SARS from Mainland China and the heat wave in France are not yet forgotten. The global burden of AIDS and Tuberculosis is increasing despite the diligent efforts by the WHO, national and international organizations.

The war scenario in our country has led to many security forces and civilian casualties, causing much bereavement to many families and institutions. Our hospital is struggling to cope up with the increase in the workload imposed upon us, by this. But hats-off to our personnel, who can work diligently and efficiently under any amount of pressure. The addition of a multislice CT scanner in our armamentarium has greatly increased our efficiency.

The readers of this Journal will be surprised to note the variety of rare case reports presented. In my opinion there are no dearth of cases in our country and after the introduction of PG training programme in our hospital the quality of service and the academic environment is bound to improve further. As the things get better I sincerely hope that this Journal is published at shorter intervals quarterly or even monthly in the near future.

I am grateful to the members of the editorial board with whose co-operation the publication of this Journal would not be possible. I also take this opportunity to thank the Commandant and the Registrar for their valuable moral and logistic support during stressful times. How can I forget our colleagues and senior doctors who have shown an over whelming response in providing us with ample material, at a really very short notice. They have made this Journal a reality. Thank you all!

Lastly, my sincere thanks to the pharmacological companies and other institutions that have given advertisements in our Journal and contributed generously towards the financial aspect of this publication.

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