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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

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It is both an honour and a pleasure for me to convey this message for **Volume 9 (1)** (2024) of the Journal of the Plant Protection Society Nepal, in my capacity as President of the Society. On this special occasion, I extend my heartfelt thanks to all Executive Members and General Members of the Plant Protection Society Nepal. I remain committed to working together to build an enabling environment for delivering improved plant protection services to our farming communities. Since its establishment, the Society has been dedicated to advancing educational efforts that promote the development, dissemination, and application of scientific knowledge in plant protection across Nepal. To ensure continued growth and broader recognition of our profession, both within the scientific community and among the general public, we must remain focused on relevant priorities across our disciplines, while encouraging and supporting our peers in their respective areas of expertise.

The Journal of the Plant Protection Society Nepal (JPPS) has played a vital role in facilitating the exchange of scientific knowledge among professionals by publishing peer-reviewed research on key issues in plant protection. The Society upholds the highest standards of professional ethics and remains committed to providing quality content that positions us as leaders in the field. Volume 9 (1) of the Journal features a diverse range of research papers in entomology, plant pathology, and weed science, with particular emphasis on agricultural plant protection. It is imperative that we take bold steps toward elevating the Society's professional standing, influencing policy, and encouraging greater societal engagement from all members. I also wish to express my sincere appreciation to our predecessors for their dedication and significant contributions, which have laid a strong foundation for future progress.

We are deeply grateful to the Plant Quarantine and Pesticide Management Centre, Haribhawan, Lalitpur for the financial support in the publication of this issue. My special thanks go to the Editorial Board for their commendable efforts in curating and preparing this issue for publication. I encourage all researchers and scholars to continue contributing their valuable findings to future editions of JPPS.

Warm regards,

Dilli Ram Sharma, PhD

President, Plant Protection Society Nepal

EDITORIAL NOTE

Journal of the Plant Protection Society (JPPS) Volume 9, Issue 1, 2024

On behalf of the Editorial Board of the *Journal of the Plant Protection Society (JPPS)*, it is with great pleasure and gratitude that I present Volume 9, Issue 1, 2024. This issue marks another important step in our mission to advance scientific understanding and share knowledge in the field of plant protection.

We extend our sincere thanks to all contributing authors for their valuable submissions, many of which were originally presented during the International Plant Protection Symposium 2024, held in Kathmandu, Nepal. Their commitment to scientific excellence and timely revisions made this publication possible, even though the preparation process experienced delays.

Adhering to JPPS's standards required careful editorial assessment and multiple rounds of revision, with returned manuscripts undergoing necessary improvements in accordance with the Journal's Author Guidelines. This process, while time-consuming, has ensured the quality and integrity of the content published herein.

Due to budgetary constraints and the high volume of quality submissions, Volume 9 has been divided into two separate issues (1 and 2) to accommodate the available funding and maintain publication standards.

We are particularly grateful to the *Plant Quarantine and Pesticide Management Centre*, Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Development, Nepal, for their financial support, which enabled the publication of this Issue 1 of JPPS Vol. 9, 2024. We are pleased to announce the release of Volume 9, Issue 1 to the members of the Plant Protection Society Nepal and the broader scientific community. We remain committed to upholding the standards of academic excellence and sincerely thank all stakeholders for their continued support and collaboration.

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