Editors

Having realized the situation that quality education is the demand of the day, universities and higher education institutions as well as their faculties are engaged in research activities other than the ones they are awarded with PhD degrees. The findings of their research have been published in scholarly/periodical journals which have improved their standards over the years. Many articles published in peer reviewed/indexed journals have been cited and some of the journals have had a significant impact. This is certainly a matter of hope and happiness.

However, the achievements are still limited, only a small number of scholars have got access to those journals as there is inadequate budget to operate research activities. Even as scholarly journals are coming out, they may not have undergone the rigorous process of peer review which is the heart of any journal. Considering the way journals are published, the task of research and publication is not satisfactory.

In this context, Molung Foundation, a research institution based in Kathmandu, has been involved in research and publication for the last ten years. It has been publishing a journal named Molung Educational Frontier on annual basis. It is an interdisciplinary journal that accepts research papers from any field - nature, society, and culture which can be linked to the governance/management, development, and prosperity in some way.

This Special Issue, however, includes the articles on language, literature, and culture which have inextricable relationship with one another. This is valuable in the context of multicultural setting where indigenous languages, literatures, and cultures are being subjugated by the more powerful cultures. Researchers, therefore, have concentrated on these pressing issues this time. As result, this volume specifically includes the articles which are more concerned about Nepali language, literature, and culture. This is why Molung Foundation realized its significance and published it as a Special Issue.

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