

## Message from the Chief Editor

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### Dear Friends

Wishing you all a very Happy New Year, 2018

It has been one year since I was given the privilege to serve as the Chief Editor of the Indian Journal of Accounting (IJA), an official publication of Indian Accounting Association (IAA). I am grateful to the Indian Accounting Association (IAA) for giving me this opportunity to shape the premiere publication forum in my field. The journal provides a forum for new advances in the field of accounting research and practices that spans a wide swath of topics. Over the past some years, the journal has not undergone major change. However, regular and timely publication is continuously being ensured, which is important for its continuing growth.

Now, we need to respond, as professionals, and to position our response appropriately. We will need to improve results from within and challenge the detractors from outside, to provide a positive response, meaningful dialogue, and self-reflection. The Journal will help to serve as the voice of our profession and provide a forum for open debate. Our main objective will be to strengthen the boundaries of the journal, the reviewer database, and to motivate potential authors from all over the country and from abroad as well, to contribute for the journal. In parallel, we all should join hands in preventing plagiarism, duplicate articles and unreliable research.

We have taken an initiative in the direction of including the journal in the list of approved journals by the UGC, and it has been included at Serial No. 43333. We hope to be able to bring about gradual changes in the near future for a successful indexation and more importantly, for further progress of the journal. I invite the authors to submit original and first-hand articles, which will help to achieve our goal of obtaining higher Global Impact Factor for the journal to maintain the relevance of the quality in a highly competitive field.

Finally, I would like to thank Prof. (Dr.) Karamjeet Singh, President IAA and his team, past presidents, past secretaries, the editorial and advisory board, reviewers, technical team, authors and well wishers, who are promoting this journal. I would also like to express my gratitude to those who have supported me during the last seven months and to those who are going to be with me in the journey of the journal for a higher level. With these words, I conclude and promise that the standards will be maintained eventually.

Thanking you.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'SS Modi', written in a cursive style.

### **Prof. (Dr.) SS Modi**

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