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Editorial

I am glad to present the 8th volume (Joint issue of Summer and Winter-2021) of “Kanpur Historiographers”, a peer reviewed International Journal of Historical Studies and Research; published biannually by “New Archaeological and Genological Society” Kanpur, India to all the stakeholders of our esteemed journal. It’s a second consequent year of Covid Pandemic affecting human population worldwide and still posing a serious global challenge. Scientific community and corona warriors, all are working tirelessly to save the humanity. It affected life in general so much so that, the current issue not only get delayed but also published as a joint issue with limited number to papers, reasons for which are understandably clear. The joint issue contains papers mostly from modern Indian history. Nation is celebrating 155 birth anniversary of Swami Vivekananda this year, a paper on him will be a good read for the researchers. We are celebrating Amrit Mahotsav of Independence, a paper on the revolt of 1857 with reference to Bundelkhand and another on the contribution of Rana Beni Madho Singh will interest readers. There are three papers on education during colonial period, one explores the role of Christian Missionaries in education with reference to Lucknow, and other review the development of education in India in light of various educational Dispatches.

Biographical study of Dr. Ram ManoharLohia and emerging trends in international terrorism are from contemporary history section. Another interesting paper analyzing Locke’s theory of knowledge from the epistemological point of view may interest researchers of political science as well history. Historiography is always been an area of political discussion, readers may find an interesting paper on the ideological differences of nationalistic and imperialist historiography. There are an interesting paper on the Mughal court’s perception of European Geography. We are trained to see India through European perspectives, but Indian perspectives towards Europe, Africa, America or any such far distant a territories seldom being discussed or systematically explored, despite the number of resources available in this field. The juxtaposition of both the perspectives towards each other must be an interesting read for anybody.

Another important paper throw light on the Gond Kindom of Central India, from a primitive tribe to its elevation as a regional power, a serious challenge to Mughals, the legendary valor of Rani Durgavati against Akbar. Another interesting read is a paper analyzing Feminist understanding of Vaishnavism and its contribution to the Indian culture. Mediaeval history researcher may enrich themselves with these detailed papers.

With this overview of the current joint issue, I express my sincere gratitude towards all the contributors and subscribers of the “Kanpur Historiographers” for their support and encouragement.

Lastly, I would like to welcome Dr. Zoheb Hasan from Pune India as a member to our editorial board. I donot forget contributions made by Prof. Akhtar Hussain Sandhu and Prof. Farzand Masih, from Pakistan, Dr. Umakanta Mishra from Sambalpur and Dr.Ajmal Mueen from Mukkam for their valuable suggestion. I am thankful to my friend Prof. Purushottam Singh and Dr. Adesh Gupta for their keen interest and academic contribution to the journal. I am also thankful to Prof. Rajendra Singh and Prof. R.K. Bhatiya, from Bundelkhand University, Jhansi, for their continuous guidance. Your valuable observations and suggestions are most welcome.

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