

## **Editorial Foreword**

Research is classified into two types according to the purpose they are undertaken to serve. There are lots of arguments among researchers about the type of problem solving research and by whom, when, where and for what it is being conducted. Applied research is conducted to find solutions to current problems. Other type of research is conducted mainly by university academics and students to build theories based on existing problems in the relevant sector. Main objective of conducting this type of research is to generate body of knowledge in the relevant sector.

Our aim is to be an internationally recognized journal in agricultural sciences. The Journal of Agricultural Sciences (JAS) intends to provide a forum for national and international researchers in agricultural sciences and related fields to publish findings of pure and applied research. At present we are receiving manuscripts from foreign scientists in various countries such as India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Nepal, Nigeria, Kenya, Ethiopia, Iran, Vietnam and China. As the Editor in Chief of the journal, I invite scientists, researchers, academics, and postgraduate students in agriculture and related fields to submit their original work for publishing in JAS.

In conclusion, I am pleased to express my sincere thanks to Dr. (Mrs) MLM Chandrika Dissnayake, Coordinating Editor for her valuable contribution in coordinating the editorial work of this issue of the JAS. Also I would like to pay my sincere thanks to Mr. Prasad C. Iddamalgoda for his valuable assistance in computer setting of the journal. Further, I would like to extend my appreciation to authors from different parts of the world who have kept their confidence on the JAS and the reviewers for their valuable contribution in selecting the best manuscripts for publishing.

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