

Despite the difficulties posed by global COVID-19 pandemic; the second (December 2020) issue of MIST International Journal of Science and Technology (MIJST) has been published well within the schedule. I am pleased to note that this was possible thanks to the hard work and consolidated efforts undertaken by the authors, the reviewers, and the editorial & production teams whose commitment, synergy, love, and vision for the Journal are unwavering. The journal remains fully committed to publishing contemporary and innovative theoretical and applied research outputs in the fields of science, engineering, and technology, which makes MIJST a true interdisciplinary journal.

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Researchers, professionals, and industry practitioners are urged to submit their unpublished, original, and innovative contributions from any branch of science, engineering, technology, and related areas. As per the Journal's strict policy, all submitted contributions go through a double-blind peer-review process with effective feedback. We are committed to publishing high quality original, innovative, and latest findings as original articles and review articles (by invitation).

This December issue includes five original research articles covering materials structural strength, safety systems of nuclear reactors, corrosive behaviour of heat exchanger, road vehicle drifting, modelling, and controlling of a robotic chair-arm for non-contact COVID-19 application. These articles are innovative and have significant implication(s) in science, engineering, and technology fields. The research findings of each article deal with real-world problems.

I cordially invite distinguished experts from around the world to submit review articles summarising the latest development, state of knowledge and applications in contemporary science, engineering, and technology fields with special emphasis on economic viability, safety, efficiency, and environmental sustainability.

Finally and above all, I express my sincere appreciation and gratitude to the Chief Patron, Executive Editor, Associate Editors, Section Editors, Reviewers, other Editors and Proof Readers, Editorial/Advisory Board members (national and international), and web production consultant for their hard work, unwavering support, commitment, and enthusiasm especially during COVID-19 pandemic time. Without their hard work and commitment, the publication could not be materialized on time. I am

taking this opportunity to request all authors, reviewers, readers, and patrons for the promotion of the MIST International Journal of Science and Technology (MIJST) to their colleagues and library databases in their organizations and across the globe.

As always, I warmly welcome your feedback, suggestion, and advice for the advancement of the MIST International Journal of Science and Technology (MIJST). You are highly encouraged to contact me at [firoz.alam@rmit.edu.au](mailto:firoz.alam@rmit.edu.au) or [mijst@mist.ac.bd](mailto:mijst@mist.ac.bd) with any suggestions, queries, or ideas.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Firoz', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

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**Prof. Dr. Firoz Alam**  
*Editor in Chief*