Editorial

The 30th issue of Business Studies contains eight insightful papers on diverse research themes of great relevance to the economic, social and ecological context of business. Since no common ground is discernible in these writings based on the coverage of themes, the papers are arranged in order of their scope (i.e. from global to local), patterned as a descending hierarchy to reflect the extent of universality of the research outcome. The first paper probes the critical attributes of strategic sustainability management research, which is indeed, a *planet-size* concern. The second paper focuses on the *global* patterns of carbon trading pursuant to the Kyoto Protocol. The third paper throws light on the status of higher education in a *globalized Indian* economy, by raising questions regarding efficiency, equity and sustainability. The fourth paper uses empirical analysis to study differences in leadership styles within sampled *Indian* companies. While dwelling on the Indian corporate sector, specifically the *BSE-listed firms*, the fifth paper shifts our attention to dividend decisions as an important aspect of financial management. The sixth paper discusses the significance of Euro as an international currency in the context of *India's* emergence as a global economic power. The co-authors in the seventh paper examine the significant role of State Financial Corporations with specific reference to the performance of the *West Bengal Financial Corporation*. The eighth paper is a survey-based study of the impact of organized retail and shopping malls on traditional *kirana* stores within the *localized* milieu of *Kolkata*.

I sincerely hope that all the papers included in this issue of the Departmental journal will interest and intellectually stimulate our valued readers. I would also encourage you to contribute to the ongoing debate and discourse pertaining to these and other research themes, and share your thoughts with the academic fraternity by showcasing them in the pages of this journal.

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