
FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

I on behalf and on behalf of the Journal Committee wish to acknowledge with gratitude the help rendered by various 'Reviewers' in reviewing the articles not only once but many a times. Their constructive criticism and comments has helped the contributors to improve the standard and status of their articles. I hope their active cooperation will be available to us in future also.

I also wish all the members of the Indian Academy of Pediatrics, Reviewers, and others associated with the Journal "A Happy and Prosperous New Year, 1991". May their cooperation, expertise and help in varied forms bring more good luck to our Journal.

As mentioned in the previous issue, we are making all endeavours to increase the size of the Journal, but the high cost of publication has become a stumbling block in this endeavour. I once again appeal to the members to use their resources and facilities under their command in generating funds through advertisements from their local areas. This will be an important factor contributing to the improvement in quality and content.

During the year 1990, we had received about 500 articles, of which almost all have been processed and either they have been accepted or have been returned to the authors for modifications.

A number of members have praised the quality, contents and overall improvement of the Journal but have commented against the publication of various advertisements. I may reiterate that pharmaceutical companies have a right to advertise and make certain announcements about their products; the actual use of drug is ultimately the decision of the practising Pediatrician. I may further add that advertisements are the main back-bone of our resources. These prevent an increase in the financial burden for the members. The decision for any change in this regard, which will necessarily involve an increase in subscription, ultimately rests with the members of the Academy.

I am, once again, grateful to the members for giving me this opportunity of serving as their Editor. I assure them that I will do my best in improving the overall status of the Journal.

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