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*From the Desk of the Editor*

Late in the year of 2011, I was assigned to work as the Acting Editor of the Journal of the Association of Engineers, India. I felt extremely honoured to receive the invitation to publish the Journal as the Acting Editor. The Association of Engineers, India is the First professional organization of engineers in India established way back in 1919 by the Nationalist Engineers of India as a part of struggle for freedom of the Motherland against the British rulers. After initial few years, the Journal of the Association of Engineers, India was brought out in the year of 1925. Subsequently, the journal got registered as a quarterly publication, and was assigned the International Standard Serial Number (ISSN) of 0368-1106.

Last few years up to 2011, combined (1-4) single issues of the Journal had been published. In the year of 2012, two combined issues (1&2 and 3&4) of Vol.82 were published. After taking over the responsibility in late 2011, the traditional monochrome cover page against a white background was changed to a multi-colour cover page to make the journal look more attractive. Paper manuscripts received were all peer reviewed, and after revisions on the initial submission as per the suggestion of the reviewer(s), papers were included in the journal. Two articles were also included in the issues of Vol.82, 2012 taken from the past pages of the journal. The column of the President, Prof. Madhusudan Bhattacharyya, comprised of brief discussions on the contemporary socio-economic issues, and mention of his long standing experience on the work as an engineering professional. These articles are really eye openers to a professional engineer and to a sensible person as well. Contents of Vol.82 are included in this issue as a ready reference.

Next task what I feel important is to go into indexing and abstracting services of the articles published in the Journal of the Association of Engineers, India for their wide circulation. Only then, impact factor of the Journal would be obtained.

Hope this first issue (January-March) of New Year 2013 would be of interest to the readers. I sincerely thank the contributors of articles, and the honorable reviewers for their valuable suggestions to maintain good standard of the published papers.

I invite you all for submitting articles with engineering relevance for consideration for publication in the Journal of the Association of Engineers, India.

Wish You All a Very Happy and Warm New Year 2013!

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Acting Editor

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