



Greetings from the editorial board.

Journal of Forensic Dental Sciences (JFDS), the official publication of Indian Association of Forensic Odontology, an open access, peer reviewed journal published tri-annually was founded in the year 2009. It was started as a biannual journal and continued to publish two issues till 2013. It was upgraded into three issues from the year 2014 to accommodate more articles. Since it is an open access journal, a nominal article processing charge is collected from the authors. The production cost of JFDS levied by the previous publisher M/s Wolters Kluwer kept increasing due to various reasons and JFDS could no longer sustain with them, forcing the editorial team to change the publisher. There were lots of issues during the transitional phase. In addition, the disarray of our working hours due to the intense lockdown by the government owing to the COVID 19 pandemic resulted in inordinate delay in the journal publication. Things are settling now and the Journal & its website are fully functional. We request the researchers and authors to extend the same support towards the journal by submitting their original research studies, review articles, case reports and letter to the editor. I also urge the cooperation from the reviewers for a speedy review process of the manuscripts. The proposal for making JFDS an online only journal and print on demand is accepted by the IAFO head office, however institutional subscribers will get the print version.

The COVID 19 pandemic has caused unprecedented miseries to the mankind. There were quite a few instances in the past, some caused by nature and some, manmade disasters. But we have outgrown and overcome such instances and evolved better each time. I am certain that we shall overcome this pandemic too, and rise with more strength than ever.

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