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EDITORIAL NOTE

It is with great pleasure that we present the first issue of the second volume of the *Sri Lanka Journal of Geography and Environmental Management (SLJGEM)*. This milestone marks an important step in our ongoing mission to create a vibrant platform for scholarly exchange and to advance knowledge in the fields of geography and environmental management.

SLJGEM is an international, open-access, and double-blind peer-reviewed journal, published biannually by the Department of Geography and Environmental Management, Faculty of Social Sciences and Languages, Sabaragamuwa University of Sri Lanka. The journal is dedicated to supporting researchers, academics, professionals, and practitioners by offering a space to disseminate their work to the global academic community. Through this initiative, we aim to promote informed decision-making that benefits both society and the environment.

We welcome a diverse range of submissions, including review articles, empirical research, and conceptual papers employing quantitative, qualitative, or mixed methods. All manuscripts undergo a thorough double-blind peer review process to uphold the highest standards of academic integrity.

The success of this issue is the result of many collaborative efforts. I extend my sincere thanks to the authors for their valuable contributions, which form the backbone of this publication. I am deeply grateful to our reviewers for their commitment and scholarly insight, which ensure the journal's quality and credibility. Special appreciation is also due to our Text Editor for their meticulous attention to detail in refining and finalizing the manuscripts.

As we celebrate this accomplishment, we reaffirm our dedication to promoting research that bridges the gap between theory and practice in geography and environmental management. On behalf of the editorial team, I warmly invite you to engage with the articles featured in this issue and encourage your continued involvement with SLJGEM.

With best wishes and heartfelt thanks for your ongoing support and contributions.

Editor-in-Chief

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