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Prelude

This is the second issue of the research journal of the Faculty of Islamic Studies. It should have appeared in July 2000 but has been delayed till September. It is regrettable that we are not punctual. In order to ensure punctuality, the Faculty members met on September 21, 2000 to discuss, among other things, the matters concerning this delay and made changes. Some of these changes are reflected in this journal. It is hoped that henceforth this journal shall be published every year on January 1 and July 15, the days on which semesters begin.

We have tried to publish original research works in this journal. It is a matter of great satisfaction to us that learned contribution, from not only the Faculty of Islamic Studies but also from the other faculties as well as outside have been published. This is a proof of acceptance of this journal. I am grateful to the contributors and hope for their patronage. We have plans to publish special numbers of Revelation of Qur'an, Seerah, Human Rights, World Peace and Pakistan. I am confident that my colleagues shall make these plans successful.

In spite of our continuous efforts to improve the standard, there is always room for improvement. Your opinions and views in this regard shall be welcomed and help us to further improve the journal.

I am grateful to Prof. Dr. Imtiaz Ahmad of the University of Brunei and Prof. Dr. M. Tahir Mallick – our two former Deans – for their patronage. Prof. Dr. Mallick has been Practically helpful and has taken great interest in the journal.

With the help of these two senior teachers and our present faculty members, we shall, Insha'Allah make the Faculty more dynamic in teaching and research in national and international matters and thus make this Faculty an exemplary one. We are optimistic also because of the encouragement given by Prof. Dr. Zafar H. Zaidi, our Vice-Chancellor and patronage of His Excellency Mohammedman Soomro, our Chancellor and Governor Sindh, I express my gratitude to both on behalf of my faculty and my students.

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