

Wishes from the Patron

With a sense of gratitude and renewed commitment, I extend my heartfelt wishes on the publication of the second issue of the *Journal of Sanātana Dharma*. The successful release of the inaugural volume affirmed a collective aspiration: to create a scholarly space rooted in *dhārmika* integrity, intellectual discipline, and civilizational self-awareness. This second issue stands as a continuation of that resolve.

Sanātana Dharma is not merely an inheritance of the past; it is a living continuum of inquiry, practice, and realization. Across centuries, it has nurtured diverse modes of knowing, ranging from *śruti* and *smṛti* to *tarka*, *anubhava*, and *sādhana*. A journal devoted to this vast tradition carries a responsibility that is both academic and ethical: to uphold fidelity to sources while remaining open to sincere questioning. It is heartening to see this journal embrace that balance with seriousness and humility. The *Journal of Sanātana Dharma* serves an important role in today's academic climate, where Indic knowledge systems are often interpreted through external frameworks that inadequately reflect their internal logic. By encouraging scholarship grounded in indigenous *pramāṇas* and lived traditions, this journal contributes meaningfully to the re-centering of Bhāratīya perspectives within global discourse. Its multilingual and interdisciplinary vision further strengthens this effort, reminding us that wisdom is neither monolithic nor confined to a single idiom.

I commend the editorial team headed by Tirtha ji (Dr. Tirthendu Ganguly), the advisory board members headed by Ram ji (Dr. Ritendra Sharma) and the peer-reviewers under the direction of Sameer ji (Mr. Sameer Pande), and, without any doubt, the great contributors for their dedication to scholarly rigor without sacrificing reverence. Such work demands patience, discernment, and a spirit of *sevā*. It is through these quiet but sustained efforts that authentic knowledge traditions are preserved and revitalized.

May this journal continue to inspire *samvāda* that is thoughtful, research that is sincere, and inquiry that ultimately serves *loka-saṅgraha*. May it remain guided by the timeless injunction: *satyaṁ vada, dharmam cara*.

With best wishes for continued excellence and growth,



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