Message from the Chief Reviewer

Namaste!

Peer review for the *Journal of Sanātana Dharma* is not merely an exercise in academic gatekeeping; it is a discipline of *nīra-kṣīra-viveka*—the discernment required to separate lasting substance from ephemeral noise. Evaluating scholarship rooted in Indic knowledge systems demands a rare combination of technical precision, linguistic competence, and conceptual empathy.

Our review process remains strictly double-blind, safeguarding fairness, intellectual integrity, and freedom from institutional hierarchy. For this third issue, our panel evaluated submissions against the highest standards of *pramāṇa-śāstra* (epistemology), looking for work anchored in primary sources yet responsive to contemporary academic standards. We encouraged reviewers to critique without condescension and pushed authors to refine their arguments—ensuring that *tarka* (reasoning) serves *satya* (truth) rather than ideological posturing.

The articles selected reflect this delicate balance between traditional *paramparā* and rigorous critical analysis. I extend my heartfelt gratitude to our peer reviewers for their generous, unseen labor and meticulous care. Their sustained commitment ensures that the journal remains a beacon of authentic, high-caliber Indic scholarship.

We present this selection in the firm belief that true knowledge grows stronger when subjected to honest, constructive scrutiny. May these papers inspire thoughtful critique, scholarly rigor, and deeper inquiry.



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