

## Editorial

Welcome to the second issue of *Amity Journal of Economics*. The journal promotes leading advances in the broad area of economics including inter-disciplinary research to become medium for research on economic problems and provide a forum for original thinking and investigations about the economies of the world. It aims to bring together academicians, corporate practitioners and research scholars from across the world to delve on the deeper economic issues that impact the society and to contribute scholarly articles for enhancement of economic concepts. We are proud to announce that *Amity Journal of Economics* is *UGC approved* & is indexed and abstracted in a number of good indices.

The research papers selected for the second issue are eight in number including one viewpoint and one book review. The first paper from Kenya discusses the reforms undertaken in the income tax system and the objective of the paper is to assess the response of income tax yield to changes in its base, discretion actions by the tax authority and unusual circumstances. The findings point to the need for more income tax reforms within the broad spectrum of the ongoing implementation of the Public Finance Management programme. The second paper critically analyzes the importance of the programme, National Rural Employment Guarantee Programme (NREGP) among rural poor and observed that this employment program is able to percolate down to the economically weaker section of the rural population, but securing employment through this program is endogenous in nature. The third paper discusses the pattern of internal migration in India and tries to identify the significant factors affecting in migration and out migration of seventeen major states of India. In the fourth paper, an attempt has been made to scrutinize the international trade sector of the three South Asian countries namely India, Pakistan and Nepal using the Marshall-Lerner condition. Overall, the results of this study suggest a fulfillment of the Marshall-Lerner condition criteria in all the three countries but the degree of satisfaction differs due to the export and import elasticity and the factors effecting them. The fifth paper tries to understand trend, contribution and structure of sub-categories of the service sector in North East India for a period of 15 years and found that in overall service sector structure, most of the states have experienced divergence. The sixth paper is written with the intention to expound the concept of 'Make in India' campaign, its importance and impact on the Indian economy after the completion of one year and identifies and elucidates the work done so far; the key challenges and recommend possible solutions to deal with the same. Next is a viewpoint which discusses how robots are increasingly conquering extended spaces in all fields of human activity. The final is a book review on Islamic Finance.

It is also time to thank the authors who have shown immense faith and contributed their research papers to *Amity Journal of Economics*. Last but not the least, we sincerely thank our esteemed Editorial Advisory Board, Editorial Board and Editorial Review Board members for their sustained encouragement and motivation and guidance through the entire review process.

Feedback and suggestions are a hallmark for growth and we invite suggestions from our readers to help us improve the quality of the journal further. We hope that you would appreciate and enjoy the journal as much we were delighted to develop it.

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