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Research publications in India-current scenario

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1. Introduction

It gives me immense pleasure to address this guest editorial. I have been a reviewer for this prestigious journal since few years. I have seen the journey of this journal, becoming as popular as each year passby. I congratulate editorial/reviewer board, publishers and technical team for their success. The main advantage of this journal is being limited to our speciality which has its own significant importance in research publications field.

I would like to utilize this opportunity to enlighten you all about current research publication scenario in India. I did some search on statistics, got few interesting findings to share with.

According to a study done by the US National Science Foundation (NSF) in 2018 the number of scientific papers published in India was over 1.35 lakh, with that India was world's third largest producer of scientific articles. The data also said published articles increased from 48,998 to 1,35,788 in 10 years. (2008-2018). That shows an average growth of 10.73%. The country used to account for 5.31% of the total world publications in science and engineering. ¹

But in 2019 another study recvealed that India stands 5^{th} position with 15.8% growth trailing the UK, which has 37.3% research work published in top 10 journals, the US (36.2%), Germany (33.4%) and China (27.6%).²

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India has been struggling in terms of interest, commitment, infrastructure, resources, funds, incentive, and time constraints besides lack of trained faculty in research to guide students are well-known reasons for the same.³

So to address this issue we need to improve the quality of research publications. All the academicians should undergo training for writing a research publications so that potential will be utilized in right direction.

Let us all work towards improving the quality of research publications

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