Editorial Note for Volume 20(1)

COVID-19 continues to spread in every corner with severe warnings and without any limits. It is uncontrollable/unstoppable. Our movements are severely restricted as we are guided by 'SMS' i.e., Sanitization, Musking and Social Distancing.

Luckily for us, our Department of Statistics, Rajshahi University [DSRU] had successfully organized and conducted [during December 18-19, 2019] an International Conference on the theme:

"Data Science and SDGs: Challenges, Opportunities and Realities"

It was well attended by participants from home and abroad. This and a few upcoming issues of IJSS are collections/compilations of the manuscripts based on the presentations made by the participants of the conference.

In spite of the alarming situation due to onset and spread of COVID-19, the presenters have obliged us, come forward and submit their manuscripts in due time. Our reviewers have been most co-operative and worked sincerely with the evaluation of the submitted manuscripts with a strict timeline.

This volume is a compilation of 8 manuscripts in areas such as Health Sciences, Environmental Sciences, Statistical Theory and Applications.

As always, we are grateful to the reviewers for their selfless and dedicated services in this very important academic activity towards publication of the journal.

We hope we are able to academically entertain our readers with this collection.

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