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The objective of Nagananda International Journal of Humanities and Social Sciences is to publish up-to-date, high-quality, and original research studies full of relevant and insightful reviews. As such, the journal aspires to be vibrant, engaging and accessible, and at the same time integrative and challenging. Each issue of the journal consists of three types of papers. The first, provides a short contemporary and provocative ‘opinion piece’ on an issue or synthesis of issues pertinent to Archaeology, Anthropology, Art, Architecture, Numismatics, Iconography, Ethnography, and various other scientific aspects. The second, Critical reviews, provides a critical and concise yet comprehensive and contemporary review of a particular theme specific to research being conducted in areas that are not often well published such as the North of Sri Lanka. The third type of paper includes Research Papers that are more traditional in form and demonstrates a sound theoretical and/or methodological underpinning and a clear contribution to knowledge in the field. NIJHSS also aims to bring almost cutting edge research in other related scientific, technical and methodological fields to the focus area of current society. Needless to say, any papers that you wish to submit, either individually or collaboratively, are much appreciated and will make a substantial contribution to the early development and success of the journal.

Best wishes and thank you in advance for your contribution to the Nagananda International Journal of Humanities and Social Sciences (NIJHSS). I would like to shower upon you my profuse thanks for your great contribution in making this journal a complete success. I would also like to extend my gratitude to Ven. Professor Bodagama Chandima Thera, the Vice-Chancellor of Nagananda International Institute for Buddhist Studies, for his immense and valuable advice in this regard.

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