



My reminiscence as Editor of Journal of Indian Prosthodontic Society

As I reflect back as the Editor of Journal of Indian Prosthodontic Society (JIPS) since the year 1998, I say without hesitation that it was my mission to get JIPS to international standards. In fact, every year we laid the target for "Mission JIPS Success". I can proudly say that most of these targets were achieved. The ten years as the Editor of JIPS were the most enriching experience of my career. As a member of World Association of Medical Editors (WAME), I tried to imbibe and follow all the norms of publishing a scientific journal. Initially, it was a real mammoth task to get articles from academicians, clinicians, and students, and even harder to start publishing them on a regular basis.

The first step of success was achieved when JIPS got the International Standard Serial Number (ISSN) 0972-4052. This was followed by registering our publication with the Registrar of Newspapers of India (RNI) so that we could benefit in getting special posting facilities. After several visits to New Delhi we did succeed in indexing the journal with Indian National Scientific Documentation Center (INSDOC), now called as National Institute of Science Communication and Information Resources (NISCAIR).

Articles from various parts of our country started coming in and it was indeed becoming difficult to manage the editorial office with so many papers, photographs, and letters. Hence, we decided to take the giant step of getting the editorial software, and a website of the journal was launched in the year

2003–2004. The journal website is very interactive, it has not only made the editorial office paperless but also user friendly. The authors can directly upload the article on our website and this has saved lot of time and cost of postage, etc. The program allows the editorial office to send articles for peer-reviewing at the click of a button. Peer-reviewing is one of the important steps taken four year ago. We have 75 peer reviewers for our journal. Today, JIPS is indexed with CAB Abstracts, Abstracts on Hygiene and Communicable Diseases, Caspur, DOAJ, Google Scholar, Index Copernicus, SCOPUS, SIIC databases, and many more.

I wish Dr. Savadi, the incoming Editor, the very best for all the future endeavors. Today, the dictum is 'to publish or perish'. I urge all the members of the Indian Prosthodontic Society (IPS) to contribute to JIPS to take the science of Prosthodontics in India to the highest level. I also thank the IPS members and all the office bearers with whom I have worked, for cooperating and encouraging me. I would always be proud to be associated with JIPS and contribute in whatever way I can.

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