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## Message from the Editor-in-Chief

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It gives me great pleasure to bring out the 2<sup>nd</sup> issue of the International Journal of Microwave and Optical Technology (IJMOT) for the year 2018. This issue is divided into two parts. Part I is the Special Issue which consists of 6 selected papers from the 16th International Symposium on Microwave and Optical Technology (ISMOT-2017) held in Seoul, South Korea from June 26-28, 2017, under the leadership of Prof. Wee San Park, Pohang University of Science Technology (POSTECH), South Korea as Symposium General Chair and Prof. Sungtek Kahngf from Incheon National University, South Korea as Chair Technical Program Committee (TPC). Profs. Park and Kahng have been invited as the Guest Editors for the Special Issue Part. The message from Guest Editors is also included in this issue separately. The Part II is the regular journal issue for the month of March 2018. The **Part II** consists of 6 papers. The **microwave** related papers are in the areas of: Low voltage variable gain folded cascode low noise amplifier for ultra wide band applications, Wide band microstrip antenna with enhanced VSWR and gain for WLAN/WiMAX applications, Symmetrical impedance microstrip coupled line coupler using fractal DGS for lower c-band applications and Gain enhancement of small monopole antenna using metamaterials. The optical related papers are in the areas of: Impact of eccentricity of air holes on bending loss in Photonic crystal fibers and Optical Fano Resonance in MIM Waveguides with a Double Splits Ring Resonator.

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Preparations have just started for organizing International Symposium on Microwave and Optical Technology (ISMOT-2019) in Batumi, Republic of Georgia from June 24-27, 2019. Please look for details in future issues of IJMOT regarding paper submission etc.

I am very pleased to inform our authors/subscribers that IJMOT is now indexed by SCOPUS, SCI (2<sup>nd</sup> request submitted), Google, EBSCO, ISI, Elsevier, and Media Finder. Also IJMOT is an approved journal by UGC of India. We are contacting other indexing agencies also in this regard.

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Banmali S. Rawat Dated: March 2, 2018