From the Editor’s Desk

Welcome to the last issue of the BARC Newsletter for the year 2014. This issue features four articles and two Brief Communications. It also features the various events of the Founder’s Day programme at BARC, held on 30th October this year.

On a personal note, this will be my last issue as Editor, BARC Newsletter. During the past five years, we have tried to introduce several new features in the BARC Newsletter, such as the publication of different types of articles, quality enhancement of the published articles through a peer review process, coverage of interviews of Senior Scientists of BARC and showcasing the latest R&D accomplishments of BARC through “Brief Communications”. These changes have increased our readership. We brought the BARC Newsletter on par with international serial publications, when it was assigned the International Standard Serials Number (ISSN) in August 2010.

Through this five-year journey as Editor, I had the support and cooperation of several colleagues from BARC and I would like to thank them all: first the BARC Newsletter Editorial Committee members who in spite of their busy schedules, took out time to contribute to the smooth publication of the BARC Newsletter; second, I would like to thank all the authors who contributed various articles, Brief Communications, reports of various news and events at BARC, third the reviewers who had the patience to go through the articles and make suggestions for further improving the quality of the articles.

As I lay down office on 31st Dec. 2014, I wish you all a fruitful and scientifically rewarding 2015 ahead and I hope that you continue your association with the BARC Newsletter.

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On behalf of the Editorial Committee