## Editorial

This has been a year of change for the Journal, and I should like to thank all contributors.

I should like to welcome, on behalf of the Indian Journal of forensic odontology, Guest editors and editorial members. I am sure that they will become energetic and proactive members of the Board.

Earlier this year the list of reviewers was updated and I am delighted that there was such a positive response from them: their hard work and considerable time commitment is much appreciated – long may it continue......

I hope that this edition contains something of interest to all the readers: not only those with experience in the forensic dental field, but also other colleagues and those from different forensic disciplines. The range of papers in this issue offer basic, straightforward information to encourage those starting on their forensic careers, to more complex and statistical issues. We are opening chapters in journal ie new Continuous forensic odontology education programme and student chapters. It is extremely important that potential authors continue to submit papers so that international research, developments, ideas and case reports can be shared, increasing our knowledge base. Errors and controversial cases over the years have brought the forensic sciences under close scrutiny and criticism; never before has it been so important to promote quality research, international co-operation and standardization. We have much to learn.

Kind regards for Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

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