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Happy New Year 2021!!

In the **New Year 2021**, **Volume 54 Number 1**, **January 2021** issue of Indian Welding Journal is getting ready for publication. People across the globe hope for the quick escape from the CoVID-19 pandemic situation. Although some prospective vaccines are put on trial, second wave of Covid-19 attack may be more dangerous than its first version, it is feared. Throughout the countries of Europe, fresh lockdown, etc. are being imposed to control the spread of the deadly attack. We pray for the quick redressal from this situation. People need to follow the prescribed safety measures as stipulated by the WHO.

Within the pandemic situation, during October-December 2020, different webinars have been organized by Branches, Sections and Chapters of The Indian Institute of Welding. Also National Welding Meet has been successfully organised by Jamshedpur Branch. Reports of the activities are included in this issue. AWS section as obtained from American Welding Society is there as usual.

Mr. Samir Kumar Gupta has relentlessly contributed to this journal in the column, "Tit Bit in Welding". The twenty-first article is with the title "An Approach to Best Welding Practice: Part—XXI". This article focuses on the generation and computer based storage of welding data on shielded metal arc welding process for fabrication. It would be useful to be a Working Guideline for Planning Engineers, Welding Coordinators and Quality Managers related to Engineering Fabrication and welding Plants. The second "Tit Bit in Welding" article with the title, "Thermal Spray Process - A Wear Combating Solution", is contributed by Mr. Sanjay Sahay of L&T Ltd.

The first research article has the title, "Influence of Solution Heat Treatment on Tensile Properties of Zinc-Aluminum (ZA5) Solder Alloy" authored by A.V. Adedayo and Y.N. Abdusalam of Nigeria. Next article is on "Underwater Welding: A Review Paper" by Krishna Prasad S. and Dr. A. Mathiazhagan from Cochin. The other paper included in this issue was presented in the International Congress, IC 2020 held in Mumbai on February 6-8, 2020 and has the title, "Experimental Investigation on Bead-on-Plate Welding and Cladding Using Pulsed GTAW Process" and authored by Soumak Bose and Santanu Das.

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