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Message from the Chief Patron

It gives me immense pleasure to see the second issue of the “BIMRAD Journal” being published in the birth centenary of the Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman and in the Golden Jubilee of Independence. In this year of celebration this publication carries special value.

On this auspicious occasion, we pay our deepest tribute to the Father of the Nation who has been the true architect of a prosperous ‘Maritime Bangladesh’. His endeavours to enact the Maritime Zones Act 1974 has been the rallying point of our maritime development, a legacy carried on by her daughter Hon’ble Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina. Today the maritime sector has been thriving due to her prudent stewardship.

Meanwhile, BIMRAD has stepped into its third year. Within a short period of time this nascent organization could delve into the vast realm of maritime domain to some extent. We have yet to go a long way to achieve the founding goals and objectives and to transform this organization into the country’s leading maritime intellectual hub. I am sanguine that with all our concerted efforts BIMRAD would positively influence Bangladesh’s maritime and blue economy sectors by conducting research and providing policy-based solutions to present and upcoming challenges.

I commend BIMRAD for publishing this issue of journal overcoming the challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic. Heartiest congratulations to all the contributors for the thought-provoking articles, which will broaden our understanding on different maritime issues. I also appreciate all members of the editorial board for the painstaking efforts to publish the journal.

I wish BIMRAD all the successes in its existing and future endeavours.

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