

Editor's Note

As we embark on a new volume of the BIMRAD Journal, we stand at the crossroads of a world grappling with diverse natural challenges. In an era marked by unprecedented environmental shifts, the significance of our maritime research and innovation cannot be overstated. Currently, Maritime research can serve as the compass guiding nations toward sustainable development, economic prosperity, and strategic resilience.

The new BIMRAD journal, Volume 4, Issue 1, November 2023, aims to discuss important aspects of the marine industry that could significantly influence the world's future stability. BIMRAD, established as an independent think tank, has been unwavering in its dedication to studying, researching, and recommending policy issues about maritime interests. The focus on supporting the government in foreseeing the sustainable development of the country's Blue Economy initiatives underscores the real-world impact of maritime research on national growth and stability.

The BIMRAD Journal, as a peer-reviewed open-access platform, not only disseminates original research works but also catalyzes further academic discourse. The five research papers featured in the November 2023 issue, authored by scholars, practitioners, researchers, and academicians, cover a spectrum of disciplines within maritime studies. These papers explore strategic and economic issues, providing critical insights and essential recommendations with far-reaching implications.

The value of such research extends beyond academia, influencing policymaking and contributing to developing informed strategies. By fostering a culture of rigorous inquiry and thoughtful analysis, maritime research becomes a cornerstone for nations seeking to navigate the complexities of our interconnected world.

As we express our gratitude to the contributing researchers for their commendable efforts, we also acknowledge the steadfast support of our Chief Patron, Acting Chairman, and Editorial Advisory Board members. Their commitment has been instrumental in bringing forth this issue of the BIMRAD Journal, which, we hope, will not only enrich the maritime literary arena of Bangladesh but also inspire continued excellence in maritime research globally.