

Editor's note

It gives me immense pleasure to present this first issue of the Journal for the year 2004. You may notice several changes. The most important one is the change in the name; the Journal is renamed as **Journal of Chemical Sciences**. We have also introduced the publication of *Perspective* articles highlighting recent developments in frontier and emerging areas of research in chemicals sciences and one such article appears in this issue. The format has been changed to A4 size with double column printing and Graphical Abstracts have been included in the 'Contents' pages.

The publication schedule of the journal will also be changed slightly and henceforth the issues will appear in odd-numbered months, viz. January, March and so on.

It is our earnest hope that these changes will make the Journal more attractive to the scientific community at large.

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