

## **Preface**

An international conference on “Operator Theory, Quantum Probability and Noncommutative Geometry” was organized during December 20–24, 2004 by the Indian Statistical Institute, Kolkata. Professor K B Sinha, a distinguished mathematician, was felicitated at the conference on his sixtieth birthday. In view of the high level of some of the talks, it was decided to bring out a special issue on “Operator Theory, Quantum Probability and Noncommutative Geometry” in the Proceedings – Mathematical Sciences. Each of the articles in this issue went through the usual refereeing process of the journal.

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