



Message from the Director of National Centre for Advanced Studies in Humanities and Social Sciences

It gives me great joy to send out my message of congratulations to all who have been a part of the International Research Symposium 2018 organized by the National Centre for Advanced Studies in Humanities and Social Sciences (NCAS).

I am truly pleased to have observed that more than 145 NCAS beneficiaries have contributed to the symposium this year through their research work. NCAS is a pioneer institute that provides, through funding and other assistance, the opportunity for academics to engage more meaningfully with their research arrangements and to develop new forms of insights. NCAS supports research initiatives and provides opportunities for meaningful and intellectual dialogue among scholars through research symposiums, publications and other such activities. Therefore it is indeed a great pleasure to see that the Research Symposium has offered a platform for the researchers to present and publish their work in way of disseminating new knowledge and novel insights which widen our culture and our society at large.

I would like to offer my sincere gratitude to the Ministry of Higher Education, and Chairman UGC, Prof. Mohan De Silva for all the support extended to the NCAS in all our activities. Also, I sincerely thank Prof. Indralal De Silva, the Conference Chair of the Research Symposium 2018 for all the hard work, dedication and commitment readily given. I am thankful to the symposium organizing committee, reviewers, chairpersons and all the members of staff at the NCAS for their great contribution towards making this event a reality.

I wish all of you a very successful research experience.

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