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## **Foreword**

We are happy to present the Vol. 12. No. 2 of the Sri Lanka Journal of Advanced Research Studies in Humanities and Social Sciences (SLJARS) as the 2<sup>nd</sup> Volume of the Journal for the year 2022. While we have our fullest understanding that the ongoing dialogue of the new realms of Humanities and Social Sciences is to be continued with a broader view to enlighten our community on what our responsibilities and the duties for our society, we present the continuation of our esteemed journal to provide a strong platform for the ongoing conversation, since we believe that the vibrant knowledge on human life, behavior, fundamental needs and freedom of life has to be dealt and addressed to resolve its complexities in whatever the circumstances. Knowing that it is a challenging task, the NCAS expects that the insights and perspectives underlining the needs and requirement will be necessarily helpful in policy making and updating to suit for the modern requirement.

The very reason is that we are required to navigate the challenges of the 21st century, and the role of humanities and social sciences in fostering critical thinking, empathy, and ethical understanding. Such kind of collaborations can only be sought through the disciplines of Humanities and Social Sciences, especially to appreciate the richness of human experience, recognize the value of customs and the systems, and develop solutions that are both innovative and humane. The research presented in this journal is a testament to the enduring relevance and importance of the humanities and social sciences in our quest for knowledge and progress. We thank all the authors who presented their research finding in the particular journey of exploration.

The National Center for Advanced Studies in Humanities and Social Sciences (NCAS) being the only Research Institute of Sri Lanka governed by the Universities Act No. 16 of 1978, is happy to thrive and embark novel studies in Humanities and Social Sciences under its broader objectives to enhance the capacities and the equilibrium of such studies. Thus, the Annual Research Journal of the NCAS aims to be a beacon for scholars, researchers, and practitioners who delve into these profound and diverse areas of inquiry. Established in 2005, the NCAS commenced its first Journal in 2007, and continues to publish every year in two (02) Parts, with the blind review by the local and overseas subject experts. We are happy to announce that the Sri Lanka Journal of Advanced Research Studies in Humanities

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A special note is endorsed with regard to the Vol. 12. No. 1 & 2 which was expected to be published in 2022. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the routine work and tasks were collapsed, and many of us joined on virtual platforms and accepted the virtual reality at its zenith. The research collaborations and field research are not exempted in the particular setting. The NCAS continued its tasks and performances at its best and obtained the research articles remotely from the scholars and researchers. However, the process was not that efficient due to certain other hindrances i.e. the Wi-Fi facilities and the economic crisis, yet we are happy to announce that now in 2023, we are ready to publish the Vol. 12. No. I & II consecutively, after publishing Volume 11, also following the same review process. SLJARS is peer reviewed and follows double blind review process.

I extend my deepest gratitude to the authors, reviewers, and editorial team whose dedication and hard work have made this edition possible. Their commitment to scholarly excellence ensures that this journal continues to be a vital platform for intellectual exchange and discovery. I am confident that the insights and findings presented in these pages will inspire and inform future research, contributing to the ongoing dialogue that shapes our understanding of the world.

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