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Note From the Chief Editor

BELTA was formally revived in 2003 after a full decade of inactivity. Since then we have been more involved in a series of teacher development and empowerment projects and activities throughout the country and have had less time to look into the academic side of the ELT profession. Hence, although BELTA had published a number of Journals in the 1980s, this is the first Journal that BELTA is publishing since its revival. True we have had this research publication project running for a number of years, but only recently we have had a dedicated group of BELTA professionals who have seriously taken up the job of getting the much awaited *BELTA Journal* published. For this, I would like to express my gratitude to Dr. Mian Md. Naushaad Kabir, Executive Editor, President BELTA Mr Harunur Rashid Khan and all the Editorial Board members and reviewers who have given their time and expertise to this endeavour. We hope that the collection of nine research articles in this first volume will make a worthwhile contribution to ELT research and scholarship in Bangladesh and beyond.

Dr Arifa Rahman
Note From the Executive Editor

It’s a privilege to be able to say that the first volume of *BELTA Journal* is finally published. The present volume of the journal includes nine research articles that have been selected through a rigorous process of initial screening by a panel of reviewers, double blind review by experts, and finally another round of assessment to find out if the reviewers’ comments have been properly incorporated into the papers. In response to the call for papers, the editorial board received 26 articles, some of which were sent from neighbouring countries. The articles here qualified at all stages and finally got approval for publication from the editorial board.

I am grateful to the anonymous reviewers for their timely contribution, all the members of the editorial board for their suggestions and advices, and Dr. Arifa Rahman, the chief editor for being supportive and encouraging throughout the process. All the authors who sent us articles also deserve ‘a big thank you’ for their patience. I would like to appreciate Adilur Rahaman, our editorial associate, for his efforts. Finally, my sincerest thanks are due to Mr. Harunur Rashid Khan, the President of BELTA, for his leadership and special interest in this project. Despite all our efforts, mistakes/misprints could be there. Here is a promise to offer more exciting and enriching experience soon enough.

Dr. Mian Md. Naushaad Kabir