## Editorial Note of Volume 24(2) Special, December 2024

It is a proud moment for all of those attached to the In-House Journal [IJSS] of the Department of Statistics, Rajshahi University. IJSS is publishing a very special issue of Volume 24. That is Issue no. 2, December 2024 in the Memory of Late Professor C R Rao - recognized, all over the world, as the Doyen of Modern Statistical Sciences.

The Journal Committee formed a Panel of Guest Editors by a judicious selection of well-known statisticians, covering various topics in statistical theory and applications. The GEs selected active researchers and came up with a reflection of contributions in the areas which Professor Rao was interested in. The broad topics covered are: UMVUEs, joint distribution of sample mean and sample variance, methods of estimation in linear models, factorial designs, adaptive designs in clinical trials, Bayes estimation, multiple imputation techniques, multi-parameter hypotheses and related error rates and finally, the contributions shifted to health and ended with sports statistics.

We fondly hope our readers will enjoy reading the articles which are of varying degrees of difficulty level and cover a wide range of topics as mentioned above.

We sincerely thank our GEs, contributors and reviewers for their labour of love in the name of Prof. C R Rao.

Our Lead GE Professor Bimal Sinha [my twin brother] had been a colleague of Prof. Rao at ISI, Kolkata in the early 1970's and then again at the University of Pittsburgh, USA in early 1980's. Our Executive Editor Professor M. Sayedur Rahman was most fortunate to seize an opportunity to spend a few hours with Professor Rao at his daughter's residence in the USA a few years back. I had the fortune of having Prof. Rao as my Doctoral Thesis Examiner in early 1970's. Some of our GEs have been closely associated with [or, been collaborators of] Prof. Rao.

In bringing out this special Memorial Volume, our IJSS Member Secretary Dr. Nasim Mahmud and his supporting staff have put in long hours to see to its perfection with utmost care and courtesy at all stages. They deserve our sincerest thanks.

Bikas K Sinha Editor-in-Chief December, 2024