

Jingling the bells of innovation since the 3rd of September 2013

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End of Year Message

Jingling the bells of innovation since the 3rd of September 2013, and
On a purposeful move to further discussion,
Under a new umbrella of change. JIM was born from a
Real need to reward multidisciplinary research! Like
Never before, 2020 was a year far from any other in our lifetime.
All around the world, COVID-19 has set the tune for destroyed
Livelihoods, bracing for surviving. . .

One more hard day,
Feeling many times powerless, against a pervasive and powerful virus!

I nnovation, however,
N ot only did it not stop, but it also accelerated!
N umerous examples demonstrate
O ngoing social, organizational and technological innovations! As
V ials entered our lexicon through daily news, and
A s multiple fields of engineering, medical and social sciences
I ntegrated knowledge to produce
O ff-beat solutions to problems, on the way,
N o relevant idea was spared exploration!

M ore innovation is currently unfolding. . .
A s we go, we will welcome your contributions!
N ot only as research papers, but also
A s letters and book reviews!
G oing forward, as we
E xplore possibilities and
M aximise value creation,
E xpect outstanding solutions! Along the way, never stop looking for
N ovel social, organizational and
T echnological innovation addressing the UN Sustainable Development
Goals!

Innovatively yours,

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