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Editorial

We are happy to announce the publication of the first issue of the *Loreto College Journal of Humanities and Social Science*, a multidisciplinary, peer-reviewed online journal published by Loreto College, Kolkata. The journal will be published annually. The theme of this issue is Democracy, Equity and Gender as Pathways to Sustainability. Given the urgency and immediacy of the climate crisis, the need to centre sustainability as an ethical principle in current intellectual endeavours, is imperative. Marginalised groups, including women and the economically disadvantaged, are often the most at risk when sustainability is overlooked. Our panel of contributors have examined the theme through a host of thought-provoking articles which analyse perspectives and interventions on environment, gender, democracy and sustainability.

Our heartfelt gratitude to the authors of the articles for their meaningful explorations of the theme and to the reviewers for their meticulous assessments. We are immensely grateful to Sr. Dr. A. Nirmala, Teacher-in Charge, Loreto College, who was the first to initiate the idea of a multidisciplinary journal for the college; this journal would not have been possible without her constant support. We are also indebted to the Advisory Board of the journal and the IQAC Coordinator of the college, Dr. Amrita Dasgupta for their invaluable guidance.

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