

EDITORIAL

Indian Entomologist- I would always be proud of this!!

It is a unique and potential medium for entomologists openly accessible for anyone. It has made a beginning few years back, still it is a toddler learning and refining many of its thoughts and logistics. It is run and executed by a team of young and upcoming entomologists. Their ambition is to make the aspirations of entomologists sustainable and channelised. We all know that Entomology is a science that warrants many and innumerable practitioners as demanded by the enormous diversity of insects, and their diverse role and actions in the environment. Entomologists are people who study insects, as a career, as enthusiasts or both. Entomology is mainly involved with the study of insects along with their relationship to the environment, humans, and other organisms. When this discipline has great impacts on human lives, agriculture, veterinary medicines, biodiversity, genetics, environmental science, pollination and a lot more, this becomes all the more relevant and impacting. These reflect and warrant that it is essential for us to catch up with the practitioners of Entomology in their life and profession, to provide them a platform for dissemination of their thoughts. The Indian Entomologist rightly serves this objective.



Yes, it is unique in its prime objective that it is necessary to bring together young and bright minds that make a beginning in their quest for a profession in Entomology. At the same time, it provides an opportunity to learn from interactions with learned and those excelling in Entomology. The contents of the Indian Entomologist are transforming and dynamic, as warranted by these needs. Entomology as a science gets instilled in a human's brain, heart and mind as soon as one starts childhood while getting confronted with an ant or a beetle or a fly or a butterfly. We all become entomologists as soon as we start recognising these creatures and start appreciating them as unique natural creations. In fact, this curiosity and awareness makes one know the world around, especially the uniqueness of insects. It is amazing to realise how children learn about insects when they see them up close. We find the children full of their own questions and bursting to find out what the insects ate, where they lived, what animals might eat them etc. A brilliant, natural way to learn. This passion for nature continues and many such childhood attractions continue later in our life, with many of us aspiring to be entomologists.

In general, from the foregone issues of the Indian Entomologist, it is apparent that it provides an intellectual forum for entomologists, young and old. It provides them an arena to showcase what Entomology they are doing and what's expected of it!! It provides them an opportunity to weigh what they are doing in Entomology in comparison with others!! It provides them a platform to ask questions on critical aspects of how to practice Entomology!! It provides them a window to showcase what's going on in the multifarious disciplines of Entomology and how these are getting integrated. It provides opportunities for interactions with their peers and experts. It provides them an ambience to put forward their views and projections as to how Entomology is to be practiced. It provides them an action plan as to how to orient their practices on line with the current trends and requirements.

In this task, the Indian Entomologist is an experiment. It is delightful and magnificent that it is keeping itself up with successes in this experiment. It has made a new beginning in integrating the views of young people with the established practitioners of Entomology. It provides a forum for putting forth a pragmatic perspective and for shaping the future. The players in this experiment- the editorial hands, I see, are guaranteeing themselves with more ambitions. I am sure they will leave no stone unturned in sustaining this landmark achievement and make this new beginning a masterpiece that will remain so, so that we cherish this forever!!!

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