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## **Message**

### **Dear Readers, Contributors, and Colleagues,**

I am delighted to present the latest issue of the Journal of Social Issues and Development for the period September–December 2024. As always, our mission is to provide a platform for thoughtful discourse, innovative research, and critical insights into the social issues shaping our world today.

This issue covers a diverse range of topics, reflecting the dynamism and complexity of the social landscape. From explorations of gender equity and youth empowerment to case studies on sustainable development in marginalized communities, the contributions offer fresh perspectives and actionable solutions. Each article reflects the dedication of our authors to scholarly rigor and social responsibility.

I take this opportunity to express my heartfelt gratitude to our contributors, reviewers, and the editorial team for their unwavering commitment and hard work in ensuring the quality and relevance of this publication. My sincere thanks also go to Mr. Ravish of Pacific Books International for his continued support in editing and printing.

This issue aligns closely with our values at Heritage and resonates with our broader commitment to empowering grassroots communities, fostering inclusive development, and promoting meaningful academic and social dialogue.

I hope this issue inspires you to reflect, discuss, and act on the ideas and challenges presented. Your feedback is invaluable as we strive to make the Journal of Social Issues and Development a beacon of knowledge and positive change.

Thank you for your continued support.

Warm regards,

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