Editor’s Note

The issue of the NED University Journal of Research in hand is based on the changed format as approved by its members of International Advisory Board. All these changes are in line with our axiom that we shall continuously strive for improvement. The journal has a new title cover which has been redesigned to make it compatible in style with other worldwide scientific journals and magazines.

Other changes, as approved by the International Advisory Board, include a short biography, along-with a photograph of authors of accepted papers. This will provide an opportunity to the readers to learn about the authors, their academic background and their work. Secondly, a short history of review process of the accepted paper will be provided to give an idea of the duration a manuscript took for its final acceptance. Moreover, it has been decided that the journal will be publishing discussions on published original research papers from readers. It has further been approved by the Board to acknowledge the services of the reviewers by publishing their names in the December issue of the journal each year. It is hoped that these changes would be welcomed by the readers.

This issue contains three original research papers which have been approved after going through the approved peer review process. These papers are in the areas of Remote Sensing and Geographic Information Systems, Bio Diesel Engine Testing and Transportation Engineering/Travel Demand Modelling. Discussions from readers on these papers are very much welcome and will be published in June 2010 issue of the Journal, if received within stipulated time period. In line with the publication policy, two papers having significant value for the academics in Pakistan are being reproduced after taking due permission from the publishers of respective journals.

I hope that the readers will not only appreciate research papers but also the changes made in the journal style. I indeed look forward for comments from the readers as these are the prime source of improvements for future.

Editor