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I feel extremely elated and satisfied to present you this issue of **BOMBAY TECHNOLOGIST**, volume 57, 2007. It is a culmination of the combined efforts of the Editorial Board, the Secretaries and the volunteers. I congratulate each and every member of the BT team for the commendable efforts.

The year 2007 witnesses UICT celebrating the Platinum Jubilee Year. As the cover page symbolizes, the last 75 years have seen UICT grow and spread its wings to encompass all the domains of Chemical Technology.

This year, as always, the students' response has been overwhelming. A large number of technical articles were received from the undergraduates and the postgraduates. They were critically assessed and published as per their technical content, the exhaustiveness of the literary survey and the appeal to the readers from different streams of Chemical Technology. It was unavoidable to drop about 1/4th of the articles, not because they were bad but only because more meritorious articles as per the strict reviews left them behind. Even then we have accommodated 31 articles in this issue. We hope that this exercise helps students in developing the right approach towards the writing of a technical article, improve and submit for next issue. Remember, there is always NEXT. This time we have added research colloquia since we thought it fit to give a glimpse of the research work conducted at UICT, for which it is valued worldwide. Going through these small abstracts, the UGs may get the idea of modern research and also may get inspiration for deciding their future plans.

I thank the industry on behalf of the Editorial Board for extending wholehearted support to the publication of **BOMBAY TECHNOLOGIST**. I am confident that this association will definitely continue in the future as well.

You are welcome to suggest any modifications, additions, etc to make this ANNUAL more acceptable to all.

Thanking you all,

Sanjeev R. Shukla