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EDITOR'S NOTE

The first issue of the Bangladesh Journal of Sugarcane 1979 comes out with the blessings of Mr. Delwar Hossain, Chairman and Mr. A. S. M. Kamzuddin, Director (CDR) of the Bangladesh Sugar and Food Industries Corporation. The young scientists of the Sugarcane Research Institute rejoice the moment and pray to Allah Almighty for its continued success.

The need for regular publication of such Journal of sugarcane was long desired and cherished by those who are actually involved and dedicated to the service of the sugarcane growers and sugar industry in Bangladesh. We are particularly happy to see the dreams come out true.

Even though Bangladesh are in the world map of sugarcane growing region and in the world market of sugar export, its per acre yield is very low compared to other countries. The reasons are many and there are thousand and one problems in sugarcane production in this country. Hence the Sugar cane Research Institute has set up problem and field oriented experiments to solve these problems. Some results so far obtained are encouraging.

We want to share our knowledge with those who desire for it. The sugarcane growers, the cane development staff, the cane development officer, have to be educated with the recent innovations in sugarcane development technology. The information required to make real breakthrough in increasing sugarcane yield per acre should not be confined within the boundary of the Sugarcane Research Institute Laboratory and allowed to accumulate dust over the years. Instead, there should be a continuous flow of research results to the grower's fields and feed back of the field problems to the research laboratory---thus establishing a homeostasis, an appropriate condition that is very much needed to nourish sugarcane growers and flourish Bangladesh Sugar Industry.

Therefore the Bangladesh Journal of Sugarcane has taken its birth on such holy day Monday the 16th of April 1979 at the Sugarcane Research Institute, Ishurdi, Pabna. The Journal would continue to grow, nourish and serve the sugarcane growers and sugar industry in the years to come.

It would be my great pleasure to see the Journal reaches the International Standard. There would be left no stone unturned to make it a productive guide for all those involved in practical cane growing and sugar processing.

M. SHAHJAHAN
DIRECTOR AND EDITOR

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