

Editorial

This year we are witnessing an unprecedented surge of public awareness of air safety and accident prevention following some major aircraft accidents. The ultimate object of Aerospace Medicine is flight safety. The Aero Medical Society of India has been involved for the last several years in the advancement of Aerospace Medicine in this country. The Society has been successful in kindling enthusiasm regarding this relatively new faculty in the minds of our doctors and scientists. This was achieved mainly through the annual scientific sessions of the Society and the Journal of Aero Medical Society of India.

In keeping with the times, we decided to give a new look to the Journal, which will now be published biannually in April and October. The latter was necessary mainly to accommodate the increasing number of original articles, research papers, case reports etc., from authors concerned with Aerospace Medicine and allied subjects. We also propose to devote a few pages to answer any questions that you may have on any aspect of Aerospace Medicine. This section will be handled by a team of experts. If you have any suggestions for further improvement of the Journal, do let us know.

The Journal has by now carved a niche in the world of scientific publications both in India and abroad. A large number of medical colleges and scientific institutions have been writing to us to include them in our list of subscribers. So far the Journal was available only to the members of the Society mostly consisting of Armed Forces Medical Officers and Scientists in the field of aerospace technology. We have now decided to accept doctors

and scientists from the civil as members of the Society and subscribers to the Journal. The Rules and Regulations of the Society are being published in this issue.

While renewing our appeal to the medical and scientific community for more articles on the various aspects of Aerospace Medicine and allied subjects, we would also like to request the aircrew, technicians and administrators belonging to Military as well as Civil Aviation for their valuable contributions for publication in the Journal. We have had few contributions from overseas till now. We are glad to invite their active participation in the Journal.

We wish all our readers a very happy 1974.

