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We received a good response for the call for papers and out of the paper received five papers selected for the publication through the rigorous blind review process. We wish to thank all the authors who contributed to this issue by submitting their novel research findings. The volume 4(2) of SLJBF deals with timely important topics, COVID-19 Pandemic and its Potential Impact on Informal Sector Workers in Sri Lanka, Finech and Financial Inclusion in The Age of COVID- 19, Financial Performance of Life Insurance Companies in Sri Lanka, Effect of Income Source Diversification on Financial Performance, Impact of Corporate Governance on Capital Structure Dynamics Thus, the journal has widened its scope to appeal to a wider readership with varied interest and needs.

On this occasion, I would like to extend my sincere thanks to the dedicated panel of distinguished reviewers, members of the editorial advisory board, members of the editorial board and the assistant editors for their unstinting and voluntary contribution to make this issue a success. The continued support of the governing body of the Wayamba University of Sri Lanka in this endeavor is also acknowledged.

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