

Editor-in-Chief's Note

Journal of Islam in Asia (JIA) is devoted right from its first issue in 2004 to publication of quality research papers in both Arabic and English. Research denotes thorough investigation into and deliberation over an issue with a view to developing a totally novel idea or suggesting new interpretation of the currently existing idea. Mere compilation of various views from different quarters, or collection of materials on the issue concerned, or translation of a known or unknown work into another language may not be considered by the academia research.

This issue of *JIA* (December 2015) consists of ten (10) articles, five in Arabic and five in English. They are all of high standard. Authors and co-authors of these papers deserve special appreciation for their genuine efforts in producing extraordinarily valuable works. *JIA* Editorial Board hopes that researchers will continue their intellectual contributions to the Journal.

JIA policy concerning citation of sources in the footnotes continually favored Chicago Library Manual. But keeping in view the contemporary and widely-recognized trend of APA system in researches, books, and articles, the Editorial Board of *JIA* has decided to honor both trends in citation Chicago Manual and APA. In this issue one English paper is based on APA system and the rest follow Chicago Manual style. We have made efforts; and it is Allah to render it fruitful. All praise is due to Allah alone.