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As a matter of fact, thoughts underlying the articles in thisslimvolume have ever-roused much controversies and heated discussions among the illuminati.Notwithstanding,the ideas are not loony and flaccid at all, rather appears universal; in fact, as diverse in its significance and connotations as bounty of itscontexts. These suggests thatpeople-oriented development does not depend on a single variable but rather on a complex policy-matrix that includes socio-economic dynamics and a variety of cultural, social and political factors; more importantly, political economy of mass development.

More recently, there has been a growing divide between proponents of development.In this regard, newperspectives and insights have challenged our conventionalwisdom. Moving through contemporary debates about how to best address the deep politico-economic and social crisis, this journal emphasizes that its solution requires a long term, enlightened and inclusive approach. This intensively edited volume examines many long waited vital questions and provides anastute economic and ethical analysis on the difficulties and challenges Bangladesh has to confront in its future development process. In brief, this journal is unique in navigating inquisitive readers through the morass of often overlapping and competing approaches. As expected, this volume will also stimulate an active interest among students, researchers, scholars and policy makers to explore new, encouraging and contemplative ideas. All these demonstrates the urgency of reframing future policies around 'real practices' instead of 'fancied perceptions'.

At long last, I really feel contented to impart my heart-felt thanks and deep sense of gratitude to the respected authors, reviewers and Editorial Advisory Board for their invaluable contribution in publishing this issue. Thanks to the Editorial Board of the Journal, especially to Professor Subhash Kumar Sengupta for devoting his precious time and energy to ensure excellence of BJPE. Our true efforts will be more productive and spontaneous provided this volume is proved to beuseful to the enthusiastic and careful readers. This volume is reviewed by both internal and external reviewers and concurred by the Editorial Board for publication. We always appreciate constructive criticism and sound feedback for further improvement of the Journal.

The stakes are indeed high. We need to adopt a *layered approach*. It is mainlypolitical ecology and political economy that decides the range, pattern and quality of development.

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