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(Patriotic and People-Oriented Science and Technology Bulletin)

Dear Friend,

The PPST Bulletin is being published from 1981 onwards, and so far nine issues have been brought out. Starting from issue No.9 (Dec.1986), the Bulletin is being published by the PPST foundation. From this year it is proposed to regularise the Bulletin as a quarterly.

We believe that the Bulletin can be an effective organ for debate, dissemination and crystallisation of view points, only if it comes out with a reasonable frequency and regularity. We have so far been unable to achieve this due to organisational, financial and other constraints. With the formation of PPST Foundation and the Bulletin being brought out by it, we believe that the organisational difficulties have mostly been sorted out. The financial constraint however remains, and is infact becoming more serious with the escalating costs of printing and production. The support we receive in terms of annual subscriptions have been proving to be inadequate for the regular production of the Bulletin, and this is going to be all the more so when we begin to produce four issues a year. We are therefore making a request for a more substantial financial support to the Bulletin to all those who feel that the Bulletin is a valuable effort and should be sustained.

One specific suggestion that we would like to make in this regard is that you enroll yourself as a Life subscriber by paying an amount of Rs.1000/-. Apart from the PPST Bulletin, this will entitle you to receive a free copy of all the materials Published by the PPST Foundation along with an annual report of the activities of the Foundation. This is one way in which you could help in stabilising the Bulletin and ensure that it comes out regularly. We hope you would give serious consideration to our request and enroll yourself as a subscriber for Life.

Thanking you and with warm regards,

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SUB: TRADITIONAL KNOWLEDGE SYSTEMS OF INDIA AND SRI LANKA – NEW PUBLICATION FROM CIKS

Greetings from Chennai. As you are probably aware, CIKS has been the Asian Coordinator of the COMPAS programme which is a network of organizations and universities in various parts of the world who are linked through their common interest and activities in the area of endogenous development. During the month of July we hosted a three day regional workshop in Bangalore on Traditional Knowledge Systems and their current relevance and applications. The meeting was attended by about fifty delegates from India and Srilanka.

The proceedings of the workshop have now been brought out by the publication and I am happy to send you a copy.

I welcome your comments and suggestions.

Regards,

Yours sincerely,

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