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Editorial

In this issue of *Tamil Civilization*, there are four papers in the Humanities and Social sciences section. Rajendran, S., and Rajasekaran, N., present their research results on the micro analysis of Nirmalgram Puraskar in Salem and Thanjavur districts of Tamilnadu. Ranimol, S.J., gives a detailed description of the excavated terracotta objects from the Megaliths of Malampuzha in Palakkad district of Kerala. Selvakumar, V., offers a few suggestions for better heritage management of the RājarājĀswaram temple, Thanjavur. A study on the perception about 'light' and achievement in the science subject of high school students in Thanjavur district is presented by Deeba, J. and Pazhanivelu, G.

The Science section has two papers. In his paper on the algal growth in Temples of Tamilnadu: A case study, G. Kulathuran brings out the conservation issues related to the ancient monuments of Tamil Nadu. Neelakantan, R., and Yuvaraj, S., present a geospatial analysis of land use/land cover and landslides in Coonoor and Kothagiri Taluks of Nilgiri District.

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