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Within the intense hot condition, **Volume 57, No.2, April 2024 issue of Indian Welding Journal** is being published. Volume 57, No.1, January 2024 issue of Indian Welding Journal has been published before the International Congress of The International Institute of Welding (IC-2024) held at Bengaluru on January 22-25, 2024 and is available in the flip book format in the website of IIW-India, [www.iiwindia.com](http://www.iiwindia.com). Anybody can read flip book version of this journal concerning welding, joining and cutting.

Reports of different activities arranged by Branches, Sections and Chapters of IIW-India are there in this issue. The articles of the Section sent by the American Welding Society (AWS) is there as usual as Indian Welding Journal is published with a technical association with AWS.

Under "**Tit Bit in Welding**" column, **Mr. S M Vaidya**, Advisor - Technical of Godrej and Boyce Mfg. Co. Ltd. has contributed few of his rich experiences with regard to welding fabrication related issues. Hope his notes will be of help to the industry people.

Details of the Contributory articles included in this issue are:

- 1) on "**CAD-to-Print Strategy for Gas Metal Arc Directed Energy Deposition**" by Birendra Kumar Barik, Prashant Kumar Chaurasia, Amitava De of the Department of Mechanical Engineering, Indian Institute of Technology Bombay,
- 2) on "**Resisting Corrosion under Chloride Environment by Providing Duplex Stainless Steel Cladding through FCAW**" by Bidhan Chandra Biswas, Anup Kumar Verma, Protap Roy, Samiran De, Sukanta Saren and Santanu Das of the Department of Mechanical Engineering, Kalyani Government Engineering College, Kalyani.

Apart from the above two articles from academia, there are two more Case Study articles being published in this issue, namely,

- 3) "**Fabrication of India's Largest, Welded Titanium Vessel**" authored by Avinash Abnave and Vivek Bhisade.
- 4) "**Welding of 24mm Thick Oxygen Free Copper Plates for Large Size Turbo-Generator**" by Avinash Abnave and Jaspal Sahu.

Prospective authors are invited to submit research articles, case studies, etc. for the Contributory article section, or for the column, "Tit Bit in Welding", following Author Guideline available in [www.iiwindia.com](http://www.iiwindia.com). All the articles are to send to the Chief Editor through email (ID: [iwj@iiwindia.com](mailto:iwj@iiwindia.com) and [iwj.iiv@gmail.com](mailto:iwj.iiv@gmail.com)) both in MS-Word and pdf file format mentioning the ORCID number of each author.

The Chief Editor is pleased to announce that the full repository of Indian Welding Journal has been made available through another facility promoted by M/s. Informatics Publishing Private Limited, Bengaluru in addition to i-Scholar system as given below. Everybody is requested to please surf the archive of IWJ through the website, <https://www.informaticsjournals.com/index.php/IWJ> and <https://www.i-scholar.in/index.php/IWJ>. Abstracting of published articles is done by EBSCO-USA, Crossref-USA, Indian Citation Index (ICI), i-Scholar and j-Gate. This journal was also enlisted in the UGC approved list of journals in 2019.

Suggestions from the readers are requested for further improvement of the journal.

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