Editorial

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Editorial Objective

JBM is a double-blind refereed, authoritative reference addressing working or potential business and management theories/practices as well as the emerging issues of interest to academics and practitioners. The primary editorial objective of the JBM is to provide a forum for the dissemination of theory and research in all areas of business, management, and organizational decisions areas. We invite research articles, comprehensive reviews, and case studies that provide insights into the business phenomena occurring every day. Authors of JBM are always encouraged to offer recommendations to readers exemplifying the applicability of their research findings.

Research Topics

In this issue, we have accepted four research papers for publication in JBM. The research topic of the first paper is “Role of In-store Atmospherics and Impulse Buying Tendency on Post-purchase Regret,” authored by Chandan Parsad, Sanjeev Prashar, T. Sai Vijay, and Vinita Sahay. The second one is “Digital Storytelling as a Solution to Destigmatize Products: Case of Women Lingerie from India,” reported by Varsha Jain, Amrita Bansal, and Tarishi Mishra. The third one is “The evolving B2B e-commerce and supply chain management: A chronological mémoire,” examined by Richard W. Monroe and Paul T. Barrett. Finally, a study on “Evaluating the alignment between organisational critical activities and websites in New Zealand Universities,” presented by Wei-Hsi (Frank) Hung and Kai-Ju Chuang.

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