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Indian journal crosses impact factor 2.00 for the first time

The *Bulletin of the Astronomical Society of India (BASI)* [ISSN: 0304-9523], a quarterly journal published by the Astronomical Society of India, registered office at the Astronomy Department, Osmania University, Hyderabad has become the first Indian journal to cross impact factor (IF) of 2.000 for the first time; its 2010 IF being 2.600¹. However, the 2009 IF of the *BASI* was 0.31².

In 2004, two Indian journals crossed IF of 1.000 for the first time³. Since then, this escalating trend has been continuing⁴.

More importantly, the 2010 edition of the *Journal Citation Reports*, science edition (n = 8005) lists 93 Indian journals, the maximum number of Indian journals covered so far. Of these, 9 journals have IF \geq 1.000 (Table 1). It is indeed a healthy sign for the Indian S&T journals.

Table 1—Nine Indian journals with 2010 IF \geq 1.000 in the *Journal Citation Reports 2010*, science edition

Sl. No.	Abbreviated Journal Title	ISSN	2010 Impact Factor
1	B ASTRON SOC INDIA	0304-9523	2.6
2	J BIOSCIENCES	0250-5991	1.888
3	INDIAN J MED RES	0971-5916	1.826
4	J POSTGRAD MED	0022-3859	1.589
5	J GENET	0022-1333	1.338
6	INDIAN J VIROL	0970-2822	1.133
7	J CHEM SCI	0974-3626	1.075
8	ANN THORAC MED	1817-1737	1.06
9	INDIAN J MED MICROBIOL	0255-0857	1.006

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