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This special issueof the *Journal of Reliability and Statistical Studies*entitled"*Reliability Theory and its Applications & Related Topics*" isprimarily devoted to papers from the *International Conference on Mathematical Techniques in Engineering Applications (ICMTEA 2013)*, which was successfully held at the Graphic Era University, Dehradun, India on 24-25 October, 2013.

62 papers were presented in the conference. The conference received research papers from five countries - India, Singapore, Nigeria, Philippine and France.Selected articles were later reviewed for possible extension and inclusion in the special issues. Eight (8) papers were accepted for publication in this special issue of the Journal of Reliability and Statistical Studies.

We would like to express our thanks to the authors for submitting their work and to the reviewers for their efficient work in evaluating the submissions. We are truly gratified by their excellent timely responses.

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