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One of the biggest challenges the world faces today is the rise of Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) proliferation. In this issue Dr. Arvind Kumar analyses the findings of the recent report 'World at Risk' published by the US governments commission on the Prevention of WMD Proliferation and Terrorism. In her article Dr. Sudha Raman highlights the need for bolstering bio-defence measures. Dr. Reshmi Kazi has authored an article arguing the recent incidents of Bird Flu outbreak in Asia.

The Kaleidoscope section features the Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI) and the efforts undertaken by it towards spreading awareness regarding the issues of biological and chemical weapons.

This issue also features other regular sections like country profile, chemical and biological news and book review.

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