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From the Desk of the Editors

Greetings!!!

We are delighted to welcome you to the fourth issue of the *Journal of Contemporary Law and Society*. The Journal continues its commitment to keeping pace with the surge of contemporary and interdisciplinary research, and this volume stands as a testimony to that endeavour. Each contribution in this issue reflects our pursuit of meaningful scholarship, critical inquiry, and relevance to contemporary concerns.

This issue begins with a study that critically engages with the changing dimensions of citizenship in India, examining how legal frameworks reshape ideas of identity, belonging, and constitutional values. It sets the stage for wider debates on inclusion, equality, and the evolving meaning of rights in a democratic order. Another contribution provides a nuanced exploration of the lived realities of women within correctional spaces, highlighting the intersection of gender and incarceration, while underscoring the urgent need for prison reforms to ensure dignity and justice.

Attention is then directed to the experiences of women vendors, revisiting a decade of legislative reform and tracing how far the law has been effective in safeguarding their rights. The challenges of implementation and the continuing struggles of marginalized groups are brought into sharp focus. Equally significant is the discussion on digital public infrastructure and its potential in transforming agricultural development, where technology is examined as a vehicle for self-reliance, empowerment, and sustainable growth.

Judicial reasoning also finds prominent space in this issue. One article critically reflects on a recent High Court decision, offering insights into interpretive processes that shape justice delivery, while another interrogates sentencing remarks in crimes against women, exposing deep-seated biases that weaken both justice outcomes and public confidence. The issue concludes with a thought-provoking commentary on the widening delays in justice delivery across global jurisdictions, drawing attention to systemic under-investment in judicial processes and the urgent need for institutional strengthening.

Taken together, these works underscore the diversity and depth of scholarship that the Journal seeks to nurture. They address pressing concerns of citizenship, gender justice, socio-economic rights, technological transformation, judicial discourse, and systemic reform, thereby enriching the wider dialogue on law and society.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to all the authors for their valuable contributions and to our readers for their continued encouragement and engagement. We warmly invite scholars, practitioners, researchers and students to share their original research with us and to be part of this growing platform for academic dialogue and discovery.

Best Wishes
The Editorial Team