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From the Desk of the Editors

Greetings!!!

We are delighted to present the **third issue of 2025** of the **Journal of Contemporary Law and Society (JCLS)**. The Journal remains dedicated to advancing nuanced legal scholarship that bridges theory and practice, while engaging with emerging questions at the intersection of law, technology, justice, and social change. This issue, rich in diversity and depth, embodies the Journal's vision of fostering dialogue across disciplines and reimagining law as a living instrument of justice and reform.

The issue opens with **"From Litigation to Livelihood: Access to Welfare Schemes through Legal Aid Services and the Strengthening of Aftercare and Rehabilitation within the Justice System,"** a compelling study on restorative and rehabilitative justice in India. It highlights the convergence of legal aid, welfare services, and community engagement in rebuilding lives beyond incarceration and redefining access to justice as a continuum of dignity and reintegration.

Following this, **"Historical Background of Constitutional Law in Bangladesh,"** provides a profound account of the evolution of constitutional jurisprudence in Bangladesh. The article traces its colonial legacies, Pakistan-era challenges, and the eventual emergence of a sovereign constitutional identity rooted in democratic and legal reform.

In **"The Corroboration Conundrum: A Review of the Impact of Forensic and Medical Evidence in Rape Trials in India,"** the author revisits evidentiary standards in sexual offence cases, analysing the overreliance on medical corroboration and its implications for victim credibility and justice delivery.

The discussion then moves to the digital realm with **"Legal Challenges of Deepfake Technology on Online Streaming, Film and Television Law,"** which examines the regulatory and ethical dilemmas posed by synthetic media in the entertainment industry, calling for stronger safeguards for creative and individual rights in the era of AI-generated content.

Complementing this, **"Deepfakes and Personality Rights: A Case Comment on *TV Today Network Ltd. v. Google LLC*"** dissects a landmark judgment that underscores the tension between technological innovation, digital autonomy, and the protection of personal identity in cyberspace.

Further deepening this discourse, **"Personality Rights and Digital Misappropriation in the Age of AI: A Case Study of *Jackie Shroff v. The Peppy Store*",** explores the judicial recognition of celebrity persona as an intangible asset, reflecting the law's adaptive capacity to confront challenges posed by digital impersonation.

In **"The Unwritten Sunset Clause of Personal Liberty in UAPA: Analysing *Romila Thapar v. Union of India*,"** the author interrogates the constitutional balance between national security and individual freedom, questioning the endurance of personal liberty under the shadow of preventive detention and anti-terror legislations.

The issue concludes with **"Right to Homosexual Marriage,"** a timely and thought-provoking reflection on equality, dignity, and the constitutional morality underlying the demand for marriage rights among same-sex couples in India. The article situates this debate within global jurisprudence and the evolving contours of human rights in the twenty-first century.

Together, these contributions reflect the Journal's continuing commitment to academic excellence, critical engagement, and social relevance. They traverse diverse terrains—constitutional law, criminal justice, technology, and human rights—united by a shared pursuit of justice, accountability, and reform.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to all our authors, reviewers, and readers for their sustained trust and engagement. As we continue to evolve as a platform for contemporary legal discourse, we invite scholars and practitioners alike to contribute to this ongoing conversation on law's transformative potential in a rapidly changing world.

Best wishes,
The Editorial Team