PREFACE TO THE EDITION

The **Indian Journal of Jurisprudence Reviews (IJJR)** is pleased to present its forthcoming issue, featuring a compelling body of scholarship that examines critical dimensions of India's legal, constitutional, environmental, and socio-economic landscape. The articles in this volume collectively highlight the dynamic interplay between law, governance, and societal transformation, offering nuanced perspectives on both enduring challenges and emerging legal frontiers.

This issue opens with a comprehensive analysis of *Indian federalism*, tracing the evolution of Centre–State relations and reflecting on the shifts from centralised constitutional design toward increasingly assertive regional governance. The discussion underscores how fiscal decentralization, political realignments, and administrative reforms continue to redefine the contours of cooperative and competitive federalism.

Environmental governance remains a key concern in contemporary jurisprudence, and the paper on the *National Green Tribunal (NGT)* offers an insightful evaluation of its transformative role in environmental adjudication. While highlighting achievements in judicial innovation and access to environmental justice, it also draws attention to critical structural and enforcement limitations that shape the Tribunal's long-term effectiveness.

The human rights discourse is further advanced through an examination of *child labour in the informal sector*, where the gap between legislative protections and ground realities is stark. This article illuminates the systemic barriers that impede enforcement and calls for more context-sensitive, community-anchored approaches to safeguarding children's rights.

The issue also features a detailed study of *the implementation of juvenile justice*, revealing how infrastructural deficits, procedural delays, and capacity constraints hinder the rehabilitative objectives of India's juvenile justice framework. The analysis provides valuable guidance for strengthening institutional mechanisms and ensuring meaningful protection for vulnerable young people.

A broader developmental perspective is introduced through a discussion of *India's legal* framework for sustainable development, which critically evaluates the challenges of integrating environmental priorities with economic growth. The article highlights the need for more cohesive institutional structures and stronger enforcement mechanisms to realize the country's sustainability commitments.

Finally, a forward-looking contribution examines the *regulatory challenges in the startup and e-commerce ecosystem*, revealing significant legal gaps regarding liability, data governance, taxation, and consumer protection. As digital platforms grow rapidly, the paper calls for adaptive regulatory frameworks that balance innovation with accountability.

Together, these articles reflect IJJR's commitment to fostering rigorous legal scholarship that engages meaningfully with contemporary issues. We extend our sincere appreciation to the authors, reviewers, and readers who continue to support our mission. It is our hope that this issue will inspire deeper reflection, informed debate, and continued research in the evolving field of jurisprudence.

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