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EDITORIAL

With this issue, the National Law School Journal (NLSJ) enters the seventh year of publication. Together with the sister publications - the March of the Law (an annual survey of legal developments), the Gender Justice Reporter and the Journal of Law and Medicine - the Law School is now catering to varied tastes and interests to the law reading public. We do hope that the contents of these periodicals are contributing to the enrichment of legal literature and to the enlightenment on the strengths and weakness of legal developments for better delivery of justice in society.

Indian law is on the threshold of phenomenal changes both because of internal compulsions and external developments. The process of liberalisation and globalisation of the Indian economy has already induced changes in a wide spectrum of industrial and trade laws. More are promised in due course. The increasing awareness on human rights particularly by marginalised sections of people has tended to generate welcome moments on gender justice, juvenile justice, dalit justice, Justice for the disabled etc. The Indian constitution with its bias for social justice and for an egalitarian social order has been responding to these demands thereby adding a rich variety of human rights jurisprudence. Capturing all these development for wider dissemination of legal knowledge is the function of the law school journals. Of course, critiquing such developments is part of academic scholarship. At the National Law School, teachers and students are intimately involved in scanning legal development both in its teaching and research programmes. The Law School Publications are the natural products of these regular exercises. Friends and colleagues from outside the School also contribute to this scholarly endeavour.

Because of several constraints, we are unable to accommodate a large number of articles and notes sent by authors and well-wishers of the Journal. It does not mean that they are rejected on account of quality or relevance. It has been a difficult job for the editorial committee to make the selection from a long list of contributions. Being an annual publication of a standard Journal size, it can only take three or four articles and half a dozen notes/comments in each one. We like to apologize to the authors whose articles could not be accommodated in the publication.

Several Senior students of the B.A., LL.B. (Hons.) class did assist the Managing Editor, Asha Bajpai in compiling the contents and processing them through the editorial and production work. We thank those students for their help. We wish to particularly acknowledge the editorial assistance rendered by M/s. Srinivas Murthy, Vikramjit Reen, Harish B.N. and Lavanya Rajamani, all students of LLB (Hons.) IV and V year classes.

As before the editorial committee will be happy to receive comments and suggestions for further improvement of the quality and usefulness of the journal to the legal community.

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