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ABOUT THE THEME

For too long, the Indian criminal justice system has worked more for the file than for the people, prioritizing procedural formalities over substantive justice. The theme for Volume 8 Issue 1 is “**Decoding India’s New Criminal Codes.**” The enactment of the **Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS), 2023**, the **Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS), 2023**, and the **Bharatiya Sakshya Adhiniyam (BSA), 2023** marks a watershed moment in India’s legal history, replacing colonial-era statutes with a modernized criminal justice framework. While the codification of these laws represents a significant legislative overhaul, their true test lies in implementation, how effectively they translate from statute books into practical judicial and policing reforms. This theme seeks to critically examine the transition from theory to practice, exploring challenges such as institutional readiness, technological adaptation, and judicial interpretation. It invites scholarly discourse on whether these laws truly enhance access to justice, procedural efficiency, and victim rights, or if they risk perpetuating existing systemic gaps. By analyzing enforcement hurdles, comparative perspectives, and early judicial trends, this journal issue aims to provide a balanced academic assessment of India’s transformative criminal laws.

SUB THEMES

- Comparative analysis of IPC, CrPC, Evidence Act vs. the new criminal laws
- Decolonization of criminal justice: Intent and implementation
- Gender-just provisions: Adultery, marital rape, and sexual offenses
- Terrorism and national security under BNS
- Corporate criminal liability under the new regime
- Forensic evidence and technological integration in investigations
- Police reforms and accountability under BNSS
- Rights of victims and witnesses: Compensation and protection mechanisms
- Technology and Criminal Justice
- Victim-centric approaches in the new laws
- Compensation schemes and victim participation in trials
- Plea bargaining and mediation in criminal cases
- AI, blockchain, and crime detection under the new laws
- Cybersecurity offenses and digital privacy concerns
- Role of NGOs and Civil Society in Legal Reforms and Advocacy
- Reforms in Offences against Women and Children.
- Influence of Media in Understanding of Legal Reforms

Note: *The above-listed themes are illustrative and the Author(s) are at their discretion to choose any other sub-theme for their paper related to New Criminal Laws. The list is merely suggestive and not exhaustive.*

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