GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE DEPARTMENT OF LEGAL AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO.175 TO BE ANSWERED ON FRIDAY, THE 6th DECEMBER, 2024

Twenty-third Law Commission

*175. Shri Jagadish Shettar:

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the setting up of 23rd Law Commission has been approved recently;
- (b) whether the Commission has been mandated to review the system of Judicial Administration to make it responsive to the demands of the time; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE; AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS

(SHRI ARJUN RAM MEGHWAL)

(a) to (c): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 175 FOR 06.12.2024, REGARDING TWENTY-THIRD LAW COMMISSION RAISED BY SHRI JAGADISH SHETTAR, HON'BLE MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT.

(a) to (c): The 23rd Law Commission of India has been constituted *vide* order dated 2nd September, 2024. The Commission is *inter-alia* mandated to review the system of Judicial Administration to ensure that it is responsive to the reasonable demands of the times and in particular to secure:

(i) elimination of delays, speedy clearance of arrears and reduction in costs so as to secure quick and economical disposal of cases without affecting the cardinal principle that decision should be just and fair.

(ii) Simplification of processes and court procedures and suggesting harmonising Rules of various High Courts for the sake of uniformity and ease of understanding and implementation.

(iii) Simplification of procedure to reduce and eliminate technicalities and devices for delay so that it operates not as an end in itself but as a means of achieving justice.

(iv) Implementation of framework for case management hearing and case flow management.
