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Condemnation

The Delhi Judicial Service Association expresses its strongest condemnation and profound anguish over the shocking incident involving the illegal recording and deliberate circulation of video clips relating to court proceedings conducted by Shri Rakesh Kumar-V, Ld. District Judge-04, North-West District, Rohini Courts.

The clandestine recording of judicial proceedings and making the same viral on social media platforms is not merely an act of gross impropriety, but a direct assault on the dignity, independence and majesty of the judicial institution. Such unlawful and reckless acts are calculated to scandalize the courts, undermine public confidence in the administration of justice and subject judicial officers to unwarranted intimidation, vilification and public pressure while discharging their solemn constitutional duties.

The Association strongly deprecates the continuing boycott and abstention from judicial work by members of the Bar despite timely intervention by the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi to restore institutional discipline and normalcy. Any strike or boycott of courts is wholly contrary to the settled law laid down by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India and strikes at the very foundation of the justice delivery system. Such actions hold the litigant public hostage and paralyse the functioning of courts to the grave detriment of administration of justice.

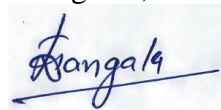
The conduct of certain members of the Bar in openly threatening, intimidating and attempting to browbeat judicial officers in discharge of their lawful duties is deeply disturbing and completely unacceptable in a constitutional democracy governed by rule of law. No judicial officer can be expected to function fearlessly if such acts of coercion, pressure tactics and public vilification are normalized or tolerated.

The Delhi Judicial Service Association unequivocally stands in complete solidarity with Shri Rakesh Kumar-V and all judicial officers discharging their duties with integrity, independence and courage. The Association reiterates that the independence of the judiciary is non-negotiable and any attempt to erode the dignity of courts or intimidate judicial officers shall be firmly resisted within the framework of law.

The Association earnestly expects all stakeholders to act with responsibility, maintain institutional propriety and ensure immediate restoration of normal judicial functioning in the larger interest of the justice delivery system and the litigant public.

The Delhi Judicial Service Association requests Hon'ble High Court of Delhi to pass necessary directions for deletion of said Video Clips from the Social Media Platform.

Regards,



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