## Letter No. 15, Dated :- 23rd December, 2025

From,

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To,

- 1. The Hon'ble Governor of Bihar
- 2. The Hon'ble Chief Minister of Bihar

Subject:- Regarding concerning statements made by an Hon'ble

Cabinet Minister of Bihar impacting public confidence in the Judiciary.

Respected Sir,

Most humbly and respectfully, it has to be submitted that :-

- 1. Very recently, a video clip has gone viral across various social media platforms in which a Senior Hon'ble Minister of the Government of Bihar, Shri Vijay Kumar Sinha, who presently holds charge of the Revenue & Land Reforms Department, Mines & Geology Department, and Urban Development & Housing Department, is seen making highly objectionable and deeply disturbing remarks against a Judge.
- 2. In the said clip, the Hon'ble Minister is heard questioning the integrity and impartiality of a judicial officer by suggesting that concerned Judge who decided a matter expeditiously might be acting with an "interest" and that such conduct ought to be reported to the Hon'ble Chief Justice.

- 2. Such remarks, made casually and without any material on record or factual foundation, are wholly irresponsible and unacceptable, particularly when they emanate from a person holding a high constitutional office.
- 3. The independence of the judiciary is a cornerstone of our constitutional democracy and a basic feature of the Constitution of India. Any statement that casts aspersions on the integrity of judges, without substantiation, strikes at the very root of the rule of law and erodes public confidence in the justice delivery system.
- 4. It is a well-settled principle that the efficiency with which a judicial officer disposes of cases cannot, by itself, be a ground to impute improper motives or allege bias. On the contrary, timely disposal of cases is an essential component of effective justice and is consistently encouraged by constitutional Courts to address pendency and ensure access to justice.
- 5. To suggest that expeditious adjudication is indicative of any sort of "interest" reflects a fundamental misunderstanding of judicial functioning and unfairly maligns judges who diligently perform their duties.
- 6. The judiciary functions independently and discharges its constitutional role without fear or favor. Allegations against judges, if any, must be raised through constitutionally recognized mechanisms and with credible material, not through sweeping public statements that risk intimidating judicial officers.
- 7. Remarks of this nature, especially from members of the executive, have the potential to interfere with the administration of justice

- and may deter judges from discharging their duties fearlessly, thereby causing grave institutional harm.
- 8. The Bihar Judicial Services Association strongly condemns these remarks as an unwarranted attack on the dignity, independence, and integrity of the judiciary. Such statements not only undermine the morale of judicial officers who work tirelessly to uphold legal and constitutional framework but also convey a damaging message to the public regarding the credibility of the justice system.
- The Bihar Judicial Services Association firmly believes that holders of constitutional office must exercise restraint, responsibility, and respect for constitutional institutions.
- 10. Public criticism of the judiciary must be measured, informed, and rooted in constitutional propriety. Further, it is the Hon'ble High Court that exercises exclusive constitutional supervision and administrative control over judicial officers, and any grievance regarding their conduct or functioning must be addressed through this established judicial framework alone and any other organ of State has no jurisdiction in this regard.
- 11. If any matter is supposed to be reported to the Hon'ble High Court, as is said and heard in the video, then the same is supposed to be reported in the manner as prescribed. Making any sort of public statement against any Judicial Officer or Judicial institution in undesirable manner at a public platform, which has even gone viral on social media was not expected to be done by the Hon'ble Minister.
- These remarks also offend the constitutional mandate embodied in Article 261 of the Constitution of India, which requires that full

**faith and credit** be given throughout the territory of India to judicial proceedings and acts of Courts, reinforcing institutional respect for the judiciary.

13. Further, under the oath administered to the Hon'ble Ministers under the Third Schedule, an Hon'ble Minister solemnly swears to bear true faith and allegiance to the Constitution and to faithfully discharge constitutional duties, which necessarily includes upholding the dignity, independence, and authority of the judicial institution. The Hon'ble Minister has acted in an unreasonable manner which was totally uncalled for and deserves serious condemnation.

In light of the seriousness of the issue, the Bihar Judicial Services Association calls upon the Hon'ble Minister Shri Vijay Kumar Sinha to reflect upon the consequences of his statements and to tender apology for his remarks. Upholding mutual respect among constitutional institutions is essential for preserving democratic governance and the rule of law.

Enclosure :- Pen-drive containing video clip of the statement of Hon'ble Minister Shri Vijay Kumar Sinha

Yours faithfully,

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