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Title: AN OVERVIEW OF CONSTRUCTION LAW IN INDIA: WITH SPECIAL REFERENCE TO JUSTICE AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENTGOALS.

Recommendation:

Accept as it is

Accept after minor revision.....

Accept after major revision

Do not accept (*Reasons below*)

Rating	Excel.	Good	Fair	Poor
Originality		✓		
Techn. Quality		✓		
Clarity		✓		
Significance			✓	

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Overview:

The paper presents an insightful examination of the legal framework governing the construction industry in India, particularly through the lens of justice and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The study underscores the growing significance of the construction sector and the imperative for legal mechanisms that ensure fairness, environmental protection, and alignment with global development objectives.

Title and Abstract:

The title clearly conveys the scope and thematic focus of the paper, integrating key concepts such as construction law, justice, and SDGs. The abstract is concise and effective in laying out the purpose of the paper, highlighting the absence of a unified construction law in India and the existence of protective legislation in labor and environmental domains. It aptly sets the context for the reader by indicating both the legal gap and the compensatory frameworks in place.

Research Focus and Relevance:

The paper addresses a timely and relevant issue, considering the rapid pace of infrastructure development in India. It raises critical questions about the adequacy of legal protections for those involved in or affected by construction activities. The focus on justice and SDGs adds depth to the legal analysis and aligns the work with contemporary policy and international development debates.

Structure and Clarity:

The introductory section is well-articulated, providing both context and a central question that guides the analysis. The contrast drawn between the fragmented legal framework and the principles of justice and sustainable development sets the stage for a critical evaluation of existing laws. The logical flow from industry context to legal analysis and normative assessment enhances the coherence of the paper.

Thematic Integration:

The integration of legal analysis with broader concepts such as justice and SDGs adds a multidisciplinary

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dimension to the work. This approach broadens the implications of the study, allowing it to speak not only to legal scholars but also to those concerned with governance, human rights, environmental sustainability, and development policy.

Findings and Contribution:

The paper makes a valuable contribution by identifying the structural gaps in construction-related legislation while acknowledging the strides made in labor and environmental protections. By doing so, it brings attention to the piecemeal nature of legal oversight in the construction sector and its implications for equitable and sustainable growth. The emphasis on the need for legal coherence is grounded in the broader pursuit of justice and development.

Overall Assessment:

This is a thoughtful and well-structured examination of construction law in India within a broader socio-legal and developmental context. It successfully frames the importance of a comprehensive legal approach to a key sector of the Indian economy and contributes to academic and policy discussions on justice and sustainability. The paper demonstrates clarity of thought, relevance of inquiry, and a sound understanding of legal and developmental frameworks.