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Tribute to Mrs. Shailaja Shashikant Sawant It is with deep respect and genuine admiration that we bid farewell to Mrs. Shailaja Shashikant Sawant, Judge and Hon'ble Tribunal Member whose career has been marked by an unflinching commitment to justice, a sharp and disciplined legal mind, and a humane approach to those who appeared before her. Armed with degrees in B.Com, LL.B., and an LL.M. with specialisation in Criminal Jurisprudence, Mrs. Sawant entered the judicial service in 1992 as a Civil Judge (Junior Division) and Judicial Magistrate First Class. From her earliest days on the Bench, it was evident that she combined legal acumen with an even temperament—qualities that earned her the confidence of the Bar and respect from all quarters. Over the years, she held several important judicial assignments: District Judge at Dhule and Aurangabad, Judge of the Family Court at Pune, Principal Judge of the Family Court at both Pune and