

[AS PASSED BY THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY]

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*further to amend the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898;*

WHEREAS it is expedient further to amend the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898 (Act V of 1898) for the purpose hereinafter appearing;

It is hereby enacted as follows:-

1. **Short title and commencement.**- (1) This Act may be called the Code of Criminal Procedure (Amendment) Act, 2023.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. **Amendment in section 376 of Act V of 1898.**- In the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898 (Act V of 1898), in Section, 376 after paragraph (c), the following new paragraph (d), shall be added, namely:-

“(d) The High Court shall decide a death reference or appeal against sentence of death within six month.”

**STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS**

It is a common practice in our society that when a person is murdered for any reason. FIR is launched against some innocent peoples. Sometime these innocent are sentenced of death and their trial have been going on for many years. Sometime, after 15 to 20 years, the Supreme Court acquit these persons it is an unfortunate and painful that he spends his youth in prison and his newly wed wife has spent her youth in his wait and search for justice that it will knock her door one day. Her status is neither a widow nor a bride and she spends a day of her youth sobbing. Therefore, the death penalty must be decided immediately.

Sd-  
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