

P R E F A C E

This study on "The Law of Sedition in India" has been prepared by Shri D. Gopalakrishna Sastri, at present Reader in Law, Andhra University, Waltair. Shri Sastri worked in the Indian Law Institute as a Senior Research Officer, on deputation from his University, from February, 1960, to June, 1962, when he prepared this study. Before Shri Shastri took over, some preliminary work on the "Freedom of Speech & Expression" in India had been done by Shri S. L. Agarwal, Research Officer in the Institute.

Shri Shastri gathered part of the materials for this study from the National Archives. The study was almost ready when the Supreme Court delivered its judgment on the constitutionality of S. 124A of the Indian Penal Code in *Kedar Nath Singh v State of Bihar*, A.I.R. 1962 S.C. 955. As the study goes into the topic of sedition rather exhaustively, and historically, its publication has been considered worthwhile even after the above-mentioned decision of the Supreme Court.

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