

The recent report of Parliamentary Standing Committee for the Ministry of Law and Justice has induced transparency regarding the status of judicial appointments. Explain

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The appointment of judges are done under the Article 217 of the Constitution of India. The Judicial Collegium is responsible for the appointment of judges to lower court with respect to them.

\* Standing Committee report!

⇒ Report claims that:

• lack of judicial appointment and staff.

↳ Approx 39% or more vacancies are pending in court

↳ less member of court staff for the appointments

• lack of transparency.

↳ lack in judicial appointment Collegium & selection

Criterial

↳ elimination criteria

↳ parameters of appointment

↳ targets of approval

- no proper memorandum of procedure for judicial appointment and functioning
- no proper tool or body or parameters to find the efficiency of judges.

### ★ Problems:

- ↳ late delay in justice
- ↳ failure of trust in justice and judicial system
- ↳ will lead to may be an harm to democracy and nation.

### ★ Way Forward:

- The procedure for appointment to be defined:
- Transparency to be brought in judiciary
- Collegium to define and provide detail of selection and appointment parameters
- the judicial strength and budget and staff strength to be increased.
- A separate body or department headed by judge to be formed for appointment of judge and staff.
- Infrastructure to be developed to avoid delay and provide justice on time