

Ending Matsyanyaya

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Ending Matsyanyaya: How to Ramp up Capacity in the Lower Judiciary

- **Delays in contract enforcement and disposal resolution are arguably now the single biggest hurdle** to the ease of doing business and higher GDP growth in India.
- Around 87.5 percent of pending cases are in the District and Subordinate courts.

What can be done?

- 100 percent clearance rate can be achieved by filling out merely 2279 vacancies in the lower courts and 93 in High Courts.
- **States of Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Odisha and West Bengal need special attention.**
- Productivity improvements of 25 percent in lower courts, 4 percent in High Courts and 18 percent in Supreme Court can clear backlog

