

The Supreme Court of India transcribes its proceedings live using AI

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In news- The Supreme Court of India recently started a first-of-its-kind project to transcribe its proceedings live using Artificial Intelligence (AI).

How does the AI powered transcription work?

- The SC transcription is using **Teres**, which is a platform used often for transcribing arbitration proceedings.
- The platform is run by **Nomology Technology Private Limited**, a Bengaluru based company.
- The transcript will also be shared with lawyers who argued cases for verification, and is likely to be uploaded on the SC website every evening.
- The transcribing is the second major decision towards making the court more transparent after the SC's decision to livestream its proceedings before Constitution Benches.
- The suggestion to transcribe hearings was made by senior advocate **Indira Jaising** in the plea she had filed seeking live telecast of court proceedings.
- Jaising, who was one of the petitioners in the matter that led to the 2018 Supreme Court verdict that declared the live telecast of court proceedings part of the right to access justice under Article 21 of the Constitution.

Availability of transcripts for courts in other countries-

- In the US, court transcripts are available to litigants and the public. The US Supreme Court provides audio and text transcripts of the proceedings.
- Many local courts in the US also make a stenographic

record of most court proceedings.

- **In the UK, a litigant can ask for a transcript of the court proceedings for a fee if the hearing is recorded.**

What is the transcript in court?

- A transcript is a written record of spoken language. In court proceedings, a transcript is usually a record of all decisions of the judge, and the spoken arguments by the litigants' lawyers.
- Audio files, such as recordings and podcasts, are commonly transcribed into readable, written text.