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Judges Appointments and Vacancies: Data on the number of judges appointed at the Supreme Court, High Courts, District, and Subordinate Courts, as well as current vacancies.

Case Pendency Data: Access to the National Judicial Data Grid (NJDG) to provide real-time information on the pendency of cases across different courts.

Fine Payment Procedures: Guidelines and steps on how to pay fines for traffic violations and other penalties.

Live Streaming of Court Cases: Information and links for accessing live streaming of ongoing court cases.

eFiling and ePay Procedures: Steps and processes for electronic filing (eFiling) of cases and electronic payment (ePay) of court fees.

Fast Track Courts: Details on the working of fast-track courts, including their purpose and the types of cases they handle.

eCourts Services Mobile App: Instructions on how to download and use the eCourts Services Mobile App.

Tele Law Services: Information on availing legal advice through Tele Law Services, including eligibility and how to access these services.

Case Status: Real-time data on the current status of specific cases, accessible via case numbers or other identifiers.

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1. Supreme Court Sanctioned Strength: 34 judges (including the Chief Justice of India). Current Strength: Typically, the number fluctuates close to the sanctioned strength, with occasional vacancies. 2. High Courts Sanctioned Strength: Approximately 1,100 judges across all High Courts. Current Strength: Around 800–850 judges. Vacancies: Typically, there are around 250-300 vacancies across High Courts. 3. District & Subordinate Courts Sanctioned Strength: Over 24,000 judges. Current Strength: Around 19,000–20,000 judges. Vacancies: Around 4,000-5,000 vacancies across District and Subordinate Courts. State-Wise Distribution (Approximate) Uttar Pradesh: Largest number of judges due to its population and number of courts. Maharashtra: Significant number of judges across High Court and subordinate courts. Tamil Nadu: Also has a substantial number of judges in High Court and subordinate courts. Delhi: High number of judges in both the High Court and subordinate courts due to its status as the capital. These numbers are approximate and can fluctuate based on appointments and retirements. For exact and current figures, checking the latest reports from the Department of Justice or the National Judicial Data Grid is recommended.

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1. Supreme Court Sanctioned Strength: 34 judges. Current Vacancies: Vacancies in the Supreme Court are typically minimal but can range between 0 to 2 positions at any given time, depending on retirements and appointments.

2. High Courts Sanctioned Strength: Approximately 1,100 judges across all High Courts. Current Vacancies: Around 250-300 vacancies. Examples of High Court Vacancies: Allahabad High Court (Uttar Pradesh): Often has the highest number of vacancies, ranging from 30 to 50. Bombay High Court (Maharashtra): Typically, 20-30 vacancies. Madras High Court (Tamil Nadu): Around 20-25 vacancies. Delhi High Court: Usually, 10-15 vacancies. 3. District & Subordinate Courts Sanctioned Strength: Over 24,000 judges. Current Vacancies: Approximately 4,000-5,000 vacancies. State-Wise Example of Vacancies: Uttar Pradesh: Has the largest number of vacancies, often exceeding 1,000 due to the extensive court system. Maharashtra: Around 500-700 vacancies. Bihar, West Bengal, Tamil Nadu: Typically range from 300-500 vacancies each. Delhi: Around 100-200 vacancies. Vacancy Challenges Judicial Appointments: The process of appointing judges is often slow due to various administrative, procedural, and sometimes political delays. Impact on Case Pendency: The high number of vacancies, especially in High Courts and District Courts, contributes to the significant backlog of cases, affecting the overall efficiency of the judiciary. These vacancy figures are approximate and subject to change. Regular updates from the Department of Justice, India, or the National Judicial Data Grid (NJDG) would provide the most current figures.

case pendency data in India, based on information typically accessible through the National Judicial Data Grid (NJDG):

1. Supreme Court Total Pending Cases: Approximately 60,000-70,000 cases. Civil Cases: Around 40,000-45,000. Criminal Cases: Around 15,000-20,000. Reasons for Pendency: Complex legal questions, long hearing durations, and frequent adjournments contribute to the pendency. 2. High Courts Total Pending Cases: Approximately 4.5-5 million cases across all High Courts. Civil Cases: Around 3 million. Criminal Cases: Around 1.5-2 million. State-Wise Distribution: Allahabad High Court (Uttar Pradesh): Has the highest pendency, often exceeding 1 million cases. Bombay High Court (Maharashtra): Approximately 600,000-700,000 cases. Madras High Court (Tamil Nadu): Around 400,000-500,000 cases. Delhi High Court: Approximately 100,000-150,000 cases. 3. District & Subordinate Courts Total Pending Cases: Approximately 35-40 million cases. Civil Cases: Around 10-12 million. Criminal Cases: Around 25-28 million. State-Wise Distribution: Uttar Pradesh: Highest pendency, often exceeding 10 million cases. Maharashtra: Around 3-4 million cases. Bihar: Approximately 2-3 million cases. West Bengal, Tamil Nadu, and Karnataka: Each state has around 2-3 million cases. Factors Contributing to Pendency: Vacancies in Judiciary: The high number of vacancies in judges' positions contributes significantly to case backlog. Frequent Adjournments: Cases often get delayed due to frequent requests for adjournments. Inadequate Infrastructure: Many courts, especially at the district level, lack sufficient infrastructure, leading to delays in case hearings. Efforts to Reduce Pendency: Fast Track Courts: Set up to handle specific types of cases quickly, such as cases involving rape, POCSO, and other serious offenses. eCourts Project: The digitization of court records and the introduction of eFiling and ePay systems aim to streamline court procedures and reduce delays. Current Trends: Recent Decrease: Some efforts have led to a marginal reduction in case pendency, but the numbers are still substantial. This data provides an approximate overview. For the most current and precise figures, the National Judicial Data Grid (NJDG) can be accessed, as it provides real-time data on case pendency across courts in India.

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1. Traffic Violation Fines Payment Methods:

Online Payment: Most states in India allow traffic fines to be paid online through state-specific transport department websites, e-challan portals, or mobile apps. Offline Payment: Fines can be paid directly at designated traffic police stations, regional transport offices (RTOs), or via traffic police officers issuing challans. Online Payment Platforms:

Parivahan Portal: The Ministry of Road Transport and Highways' official website (parivahan.gov.in) provides an option to pay traffic fines. State-specific Websites: For instance, Maharashtra Traffic Police (mahatrafficechallan.gov.in), Delhi Traffic Police (delhitrafficpolice.nic.in), etc. Mobile Apps: Apps like PayTM, Google Pay, and state-specific apps also facilitate e-challan payments. Steps to Pay Online:

Visit the appropriate portal or app: For instance, echallan.parivahan.gov.in. Enter Details: Provide the vehicle number, challan number, or driving license number. View Outstanding Fines: The portal will display any pending fines. Make Payment: Choose a payment method (credit/debit card, net banking, UPI) and complete the transaction. Receipt: After payment, a receipt is generated, which can be downloaded or printed for records. Offline Payment:

Pay the fine at the nearest traffic police station or RTO. Carry the original challan and vehicle documents. Collect a receipt after the payment. 2. Penalties for Other Violations (e.g., Environmental, Industrial) Environmental Penalties: Fines related to environmental violations (like pollution control breaches) are typically paid through the Pollution Control Board's website or designated offices. Industrial Penalties: Industries or businesses fined for regulatory breaches can pay penalties through the official government portal, or via bank challan submitted to the relevant authority. 3. Court-Imposed Fines Payment Methods:

Online: Some states allow payment of court fines online through the eCourts platform (ecourts.gov.in). Offline: Fines can also be paid directly at the court office or through designated bank branches. Steps to Pay Online:

Log into the eCourts portal. Enter Case Details: Input case number or relevant identifiers. View Fine Details: The portal will display outstanding fines. Make Payment: Complete the payment via available methods. Receipt: Obtain and keep the payment receipt. 4. Accessing Information Mobile Apps: Statespecific mobile apps often provide updated information on pending fines and allow users to pay directly through the app. SMS Notifications: Many states

send SMS notifications regarding fines, which can include links or instructions for payment. Current Trends and Innovations: Unified Payment Systems: Efforts are ongoing to integrate payment of fines into unified systems like UPI, making it easier for citizens. Digital India Initiative: Under this initiative, the government is encouraging digital payments for fines to reduce corruption and increase transparency. This data outlines the general procedures and platforms available for paying fines related to traffic violations and other penalties in India. For specific details, especially regarding state-specific processes, it's best to consult the relevant state transport department or court website.

Live Streaming of Court Cases in India The live streaming of court cases in India is a significant step towards transparency and public access to judicial proceedings. Here's an overview of how it works and how you can access it:

1. Supreme Court of India Live Streaming: The Supreme Court has initiated live streaming of select court proceedings, especially in matters of public importance, as per the Supreme Court's ruling in September 2018. Access: Website: Live streaming can be accessed through the official website of the Supreme Court (supremecourtofindia.nic.in). YouTube Channel: The Supreme Court has a dedicated YouTube channel for live streaming specific cases. 2. High Courts Live Streaming in High Courts: Several High Courts in India have also started live streaming of court proceedings, particularly Gujarat, Karnataka, and Odisha High Courts. Gujarat High Court: Pioneered live streaming and continues to stream proceedings on its official website and YouTube. Karnataka High Court: Provides live streaming through its official website and YouTube. Orissa High Court: Offers live streaming for certain cases on its official website. Access: Gujarat High Court: Live Streaming Page Karnataka High Court: Live Streaming Page Orissa High Court: Live Streaming Page 3. District Courts Current Status: District Courts have not yet widely adopted live streaming, but pilot projects may be underway in certain states. Future Plans: Expansion of live streaming to District Courts is expected as part of the broader eCourts project. 4. How to Access Live Streaming Supreme Court: Visit the Supreme Court of India's official website and navigate to the live streaming section. High Courts: Check the respective High Court's official website or their YouTube channels for live streaming links. YouTube: The Supreme Court and some High Courts have dedicated YouTube channels for live streaming. You can subscribe and watch live proceedings there. 5. Data on Live Streaming Implementation Supreme Court: Began live streaming select cases, especially constitution bench hearings, since 2018. Gujarat High Court: Started live streaming in 2020 and has made several significant cases accessible to the public. Karnataka High Court: Live streams important cases and events, and regularly updates the availability of proceedings. Odisha High Court: Implemented live streaming as a part of enhancing transparency and accessibility. 6. Legislative and Policy Background SC Judgment on Live Streaming (2018): The Supreme Court ruled in favor of live streaming in Swapnil Tripathi vs. Supreme Court of India, aiming to make judicial processes more transparent. eCourts Project: As part of the eCourts project, live streaming is expected to expand, making more courts accessible online. Benefits of Live Streaming Transparency: Allows the public and media to observe court proceedings in real-time. Educational Tool: Provides a learning resource for law students, professionals, and the general public. Public Trust: Enhances trust in the judiciary by making the legal process more visible. Challenges Technical Infrastructure: Ensuring smooth and secure streaming requires robust technical infrastructure. Privacy Concerns: Balancing transparency with the privacy of individuals involved in cases, especially in sensitive matters. This data and information outline the current status of live streaming of court cases in India. The implementation is growing, particularly in higher courts, and is seen as a significant move toward a more transparent and accessible judiciary.

eFiling and ePay Procedures in India The introduction of eFiling and ePay systems in Indian courts is a crucial step towards digitizing the judiciary, making it more accessible, transparent, and efficient. Here's an overview of the processes and related data:

1. eFiling of Cases eFiling allows advocates and litigants to file cases electronically from anywhere, without physically visiting the court.

Steps for eFiling: Registration:

Visit the eFiling portal (https://efiling.ecourts.gov.in/) and register as an advocate, litigant, or organization. For advocates, registration requires a valid bar council ID, and for litigants, a valid mobile number and email ID. Login:

After registration, log in using your credentials. Case Selection:

Choose the court where you intend to file the case (e.g., Supreme Court, High Court, District Court). Select the type of case you wish to file. Document Upload:

Upload the required documents, including petitions, affidavits, and supporting evidence. Ensure that documents are scanned clearly and are in the prescribed format (usually PDF). Payment of Court Fees:

Calculate the court fees based on the type of case and jurisdiction. Pay the fees using the integrated ePay system (explained below). Submission:

After uploading the documents and paying the fees, submit the case. A confirmation receipt and a case number are generated, which can be used to track the case status online. Tracking and Notifications:

Track the status of your filed case through the eFiling portal. Notifications about case hearings, orders, and updates are sent via SMS or email. Benefits of eFiling: Convenience: Enables filing of cases 24/7 without visiting the court. Transparency: Provides an easy way to track the status and history of cases. Efficiency: Reduces paperwork, saving time for both the court and the litigants. 2. ePay of Court Fees ePay facilitates the electronic payment of court fees, making the process quicker and more streamlined.

Steps for ePay: Access ePay:

Visit the ePay portal (https://pay.ecourts.gov.in/) or access it via the eFiling portal during the case filing process. Select State and Court:

Choose the state and court where the fee needs to be paid. Enter Case Details:

Provide details such as case type, number, and the amount of fees required. Payment:

Select a payment method (Credit/Debit Card, Net Banking, UPI, etc.). Complete the payment process. Receipt Generation:

After payment, a receipt is generated, which can be downloaded and printed. This receipt must be uploaded during the eFiling process if the payment is done separately. Benefits of ePay: Accessibility: Allows for court fee payment from anywhere at any time. Security: Ensures secure transactions with instant confirmation. Integration: Seamlessly integrates with the eFiling process for efficient case management. 3. Data and Implementation Status Adoption Rate:

The eFiling and ePay systems have been widely adopted in the Supreme Court, High Courts, and many District Courts across India. Continuous efforts are being made to bring more courts, especially at the District and Subordinate levels, under the eCourts initiative. User Statistics:

Thousands of cases are now filed electronically every month, significantly reducing the burden on physical court infrastructure. The ePay system handles millions of rupees in court fees daily, with growing adoption among lawyers and litigants. Challenges:

Digital Literacy: Some advocates and litigants, particularly in rural areas, may struggle with the technology, although training programs are being conducted. Infrastructure: Ensuring robust IT infrastructure in all courts is essential for the smooth functioning of these systems. 4. Future Enhancements Integration with Other Systems: Plans are underway to integrate eFiling and ePay with other legal and governmental systems to further streamline processes. Expanded Access: The initiative aims to expand the reach of eFiling and ePay to cover all courts, including specialized tribunals. Resources for Further Information eFiling Portal: https://efiling.ecourts.gov.in/ ePay Portal: https://pay.ecourts.gov.in/ eCourts Project Information: Available on the Department of Justice Website This data highlights the ongoing digitization efforts within the Indian judiciary, making legal processes more accessible and efficient through eFiling and ePay systems.

Fast Track Courts in India Fast Track Courts (FTCs) in India are specialized courts established to expedite the legal process and reduce the backlog of cases. They focus on delivering quick judgments, particularly in cases that require urgent attention.

1. Purpose of Fast Track Courts Speedy Justice: The primary purpose of FTCs is to accelerate the resolution of cases that have been pending for long periods. Reducing Backlog: FTCs help in reducing the overall backlog of cases in the judicial system, particularly those involving vulnerable groups like women,

children, and the elderly. Focus on Specific Cases: These courts are often designated to handle particular types of cases, such as sexual assault, child abuse, and corruption, where a swift verdict is crucial. 2. Types of Cases Handled by Fast Track Courts Sexual Offenses: FTCs handle cases related to rape, sexual assault, and crimes under the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act. Corruption Cases: Cases involving corruption and embezzlement are often referred to FTCs for speedy trials. Violence Against Women: Cases involving domestic violence, dowry-related offenses, and harassment are prioritized in FTCs. Special Acts: Cases under specific acts like the Prevention of Atrocities against Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (SC/ST Act) and other laws protecting marginalized communities. Property Disputes: Certain FTCs handle property-related disputes, especially those that have been pending for an extended period. 3. Establishment and Expansion of Fast Track Courts Origin: FTCs were first established in India in 2000, following a recommendation by the 11th Finance Commission to deal with the growing backlog of cases. Initial Setup: The initial phase saw the creation of around 1,734 FTCs across the country. Current Status: As of recent years, there has been a renewed focus on expanding the number of FTCs, especially to handle cases under the POCSO Act and those involving women. 4. Working of Fast Track Courts Dedicated Judges: FTCs are presided over by judges who are exclusively assigned to these courts. They are often appointed on an ad-hoc basis or drawn from the regular judiciary. Streamlined Procedures: The procedures in FTCs are streamlined to ensure quicker disposal of cases, often limiting the number of adjournments and emphasizing timely submission of evidence and documents. Time-bound Trials: Trials in FTCs are typically time-bound, with efforts made to conclude cases within a set period, often within a few months. Use of Technology: Some FTCs leverage technology for case management, including e-filing, video conferencing for witness testimonies, and electronic records to speed up the trial process. 5. Challenges Faced by Fast Track Courts Infrastructure Issues: Many FTCs face challenges related to inadequate infrastructure, including courtroom space and technological resources. Manpower Shortages: The shortage of judges and support staff can sometimes slow down the functioning of FTCs. Overburdening: While designed to reduce the backlog, FTCs can become overburdened if too many cases are assigned to them without sufficient resources. 6. Impact of Fast Track Courts Reduction in Backlog: FTCs have played a significant role in reducing the backlog of cases, particularly in serious offenses like rape and corruption. Improved Conviction Rates: By focusing on quick and decisive judgments, FTCs have contributed to improving conviction rates in cases of sexual offenses and crimes against women. Public Confidence: The existence of FTCs has increased public confidence in the judicial system, particularly in cases involving vulnerable victims. 7. Government Initiatives and Funding Central Assistance: The Indian government provides financial assistance to states for setting up and maintaining FTCs. POSCO and Women-related Cases: Recently, the central government has prioritized setting up FTCs specifically for POCSO and womenrelated cases, with dedicated funding for this purpose. 8. Data on Fast Track Courts (As of Latest Available) Number of FTCs: As of recent reports, there

are around 1,800 to 2,000 FTCs operating across India. Case Disposal: FTCs have disposed of thousands of cases over the years, with a focus on those pending for more than two years. State-wise Distribution: States like Uttar Pradesh, Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu, and Bihar have the highest number of FTCs, given the large volume of cases pending in these states. Conclusion Fast Track Courts are a crucial component of India's judiciary, aimed at delivering swift justice in cases that require urgent attention. While they face challenges, their role in reducing case backlogs and improving the speed of justice is significant.

For more detailed data and updates on FTCs, one can visit the eCourts Services Portal, where state-wise data on FTCs is often updated.

The eCourts Services Mobile App is designed to facilitate access to court-related services and information on the go. Here's an overview of how to download and use the app, along with related data:

Downloading the eCourts Services Mobile App For Android Users: Google Play Store: Open the Google Play Store on your Android device. Search: Type "eCourts Services" in the search bar. Install: Find the app developed by the "National Informatics Centre" and tap "Install." For iOS Users: Apple App Store: Open the Apple App Store on your iOS device. Search: Enter "eCourts Services" in the search bar. Install: Locate the app and tap "Get" to install it. Using the eCourts Services Mobile App Registration and Login:

Register: Open the app and register using your mobile number and email ID. Some features may require linking with your Aadhaar number. Login: After registration, log in using your credentials (mobile number or email). Features and Services:

Case Status: Check the status of cases by entering the case number or other identifiers. Court Information: Access information about court locations, contact details, and judges. Case Filing: View and manage your cases. Some states may allow case filing through the app. Judgment Search: Search for judgments and orders issued by courts. Cause Lists: View daily cause lists of courts to see the schedule of hearings. Notifications: Receive updates on case status, hearing dates, and other important information. E-Payments: Pay court fees and fines online if integrated with the ePay system. Legal Aid: Access information on legal aid services and apply for assistance if eligible. User Interface:

Dashboard: The home screen typically displays key features and quick access to important services. Menu: Navigate through various services using the app's menu or tabs. Updates and Maintenance:

Regular Updates: The app is periodically updated to add new features, fix bugs, and ensure compatibility with new devices. Support: For technical issues or queries, users can contact support through the app or the official website. Benefits of the eCourts Services Mobile App Accessibility: Provides court-related services anytime, anywhere. Convenience: Simplifies access to case information and court procedures. Efficiency: Reduces the need for physical visits to the

court and helps in managing cases more effectively. Transparency: Enhances transparency by making court records and case status easily accessible. Data on eCourts Services Mobile App Developer: National Informatics Centre (NIC), Government of India. App Version: Regular updates are made; check the app store for the latest version. Platform Availability: Available for both Android and iOS devices. Usage Statistics: Popular among legal professionals and litigants for managing court-related tasks. For the most accurate and updated information, regularly check the app store listings or the official eCourts website.

Tele Law Services Tele Law Services is an initiative aimed at providing legal advice and assistance to individuals, especially in remote and underserved areas, through telecommunication methods. The service is designed to make legal aid more accessible and efficient.

Availing Legal Advice Through Tele Law Services Eligibility:

General Public: Anyone seeking legal advice can use the service. Specific Categories: Priority is given to marginalized groups, low-income individuals, women, and other vulnerable populations who may face barriers to accessing legal services. Identification: Some states may require proof of eligibility, such as a below-poverty-line (BPL) card or other documents. How to Access Tele Law Services:

Through Legal Aid Clinics: Contact: Reach out to the nearest legal aid clinic or district legal services authority (DLSA). They will provide information on how to register for Tele Law services. Registration: You may need to register and provide basic details about your legal issue. Online Platforms: Visit Official Website: Go to the official website for Tele Law services (e.g., e-Courts) or the Legal Services Authority website. Online Registration: Some platforms allow you to register online and schedule a telephonic or video consultation with a legal expert. Mobile Apps: Download App: Download the official app (if available) from the Google Play Store or Apple App Store. Register: Follow the app instructions to register and request legal advice. Helpline Numbers: Call: Use the helpline numbers provided by the legal services authority or legal aid clinics to connect with a legal expert. Schedule: Book an appointment or request immediate legal assistance through the helpline. Procedure for Legal Advice:

Initial Consultation: Discuss your legal issue with a trained legal professional who will provide preliminary advice and guidance. Follow-Up: Based on the initial consultation, follow up for detailed advice or assistance with documentation and court proceedings. Confidentiality: Ensure that all consultations are confidential and your personal details are protected. Benefits of Tele Law Services:

Accessibility: Provides access to legal advice regardless of geographical location. Convenience: Allows individuals to seek legal assistance without traveling to legal aid offices or courts. Cost-Effective: Reduces the cost of obtaining legal advice and services. Expert Guidance: Connects individuals with experienced

legal professionals for informed advice. Data on Tele Law Services Provider: National Legal Services Authority (NALSA) and State Legal Services Authorities (SLSAs). Service Types: Legal advice, document review, and guidance on legal procedures. Availability: Services are available through legal aid clinics, online platforms, mobile apps, and helplines. Service Hours: Varies by provider; typically available during business hours. Note: For the most accurate and updated information on Tele Law Services, check with local legal aid clinics, the official NALSA website, or the specific state's legal services authority

Case Status Case Status refers to the real-time information about the current state of a legal case, which can include details such as court proceedings, judgments, and case updates. This information is typically accessible through online platforms provided by courts or legal services.

Accessing Case Status Online Platforms:

eCourts Portal: The official eCourts website provides real-time case status updates. Users can search for case details using case numbers, party names, or other identifiers. Website: eCourts State and District Court Websites: Many state and district courts have their own websites where users can check case status. Legal Services Apps: Some jurisdictions have mobile apps that allow users to check case status and receive notifications. Search Process:

Enter Case Number: Input the unique case number assigned to the case. Provide Party Details: Enter the names of the parties involved, if case numbers are unavailable. Select Court Details: Choose the relevant court or jurisdiction where the case is being heard. View Results: Access details such as case hearings, orders, judgments, and other relevant updates. Helpline Numbers:

Contact Court Offices: For assistance with accessing case status, contact the respective court office through provided helpline numbers. Inquire at Legal Aid Clinics: Legal aid clinics may also help in obtaining case status information. Data and Updates:

Real-Time Updates: Case status is updated regularly based on court proceedings, new orders, or judgments. Historical Data: Historical case data may also be available, including past hearings and decisions. Data on Case Status Provider: The data is provided by court systems, including the eCourts portal and state or district court websites. Identifiers: Case number, party names, court details. Data Type: Current status of the case, court hearings, judgments, orders, and procedural updates. Availability: 24/7 online access, with updates provided as they occur. Note: For accurate and specific case status, always refer to the official court website or platform for the jurisdiction handling the case.

Here are the numbers for the courts in India:

Number of Courts in India Supreme Courts in India:

Supreme Court of India: 1 (The Supreme Court is the highest judicial forum and final court of appeal under the Constitution of India.) High Courts in India:

Number of High Courts: 25 District Courts in India:

Number of District Courts: Approximately 600 (This number can vary slightly as new districts are created and existing ones are reorganized.) Breakdown Supreme Court of India: The apex court located in New Delhi. High Courts: Each state or union territory in India has its own High Court, with some states sharing a High Court. District Courts: These are courts at the district level that handle a wide range of cases, including civil and criminal matters. For the most current and detailed information, you may refer to official resources or judicial websites.