

U.P.S.C.

- ② No time limit defined for centre to approve names suggested by SC. Centre is utilizing its pocket veto.
- ③ Imposing ^{suggested} names on centre by SC collegium; centre can send back names but if SC collegium recommends again then centre has to approve.
- ④ Lack of coordination between various departments as well as between departments and judiciary.
- ⑤ ~~B~~ No standard procedures with time bound processing of files.
- ⑥ Lack of transparency in collegium system resulting in centre being cautious in clearance.

Way out of Situation:

- ① Standard operating procedures with time bound actions on stakeholders side (centre + judiciary)

- ② Bringing more transparency in collegium system so that time spent in background verification by centre is reduced.
- ③ Streamlining appointment process by removing bottlenecks without losing independence of judiciary
- ④ Appointment of incoming judge before the seat becoming vacant in courts, due to outgoing judge.
- ⑤ Code of conduct for both government and judiciary to reach a ~~consensus~~ consensus in appointments.

The grave situation of vacancy in courts is compounding the already worse situation of backlogs and delays in justice. It is the high priority task for both government and judiciary to fill up vacancies as justice delayed is justice denied.