

Allahabad HC Delivers Split Verdict on Bulldozer Action

A Division Bench of the Allahabad High Court delivered a split verdict in a case concerning 'bulldozer action' against properties.

The 'bulldozer action' refers to the demolition of properties by state authorities, often without due process, against alleged offenders.

KEY EXAM POINTS

- A Division Bench of the **Allahabad High Court** delivered a **split verdict** on 'bulldozer action' anticipated by petitioners.
- The case arose from a petition filed by **three residents** of **Uttar Pradesh's Hamirpur district**.
- Petitioners alleged their **residential house** and **commercial establishments** had been sealed and were under **threat of demolition**.
- One judge cited **corruption**, including donation theft at **Ram Temple in Ayodhya**, to **reprimand the State** for its actions.
- The verdict highlights concerns over **corruption** and the importance of **due process** in **state actions**.
- The news was published on **July 21, 2026**.

STATICS & SYLLABUS FOCUS

The **Right to Property** was originally a **Fundamental Right** under **Article 31** of the Indian Constitution.

The **44th Constitutional Amendment Act** of **1978** removed the **Right to Property** from **Part III** (Fundamental Rights).

Currently, the **Right to Property** is a **constitutional right** under **Article 300A** of the Constitution.

Article 300A states that no person shall be **deprived of his property** save by **authority of law**.

Due process of law ensures fair treatment through the **judicial system**, protecting **individual rights**.

The **Supreme Court** has consistently emphasized the importance of **due process** in cases involving **demolitions and eviction**.

Article 21 of the Constitution protects the **right to life and personal liberty**, which includes the **right to livelihood and shelter**.

High Courts exercise jurisdiction under **Article 226** to issue various **writs** for the enforcement of **fundamental rights**.

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