

Delimitation Bill: Parliamentary Strategy Intensifies

Ahead of the Monsoon Session, ruling and opposition alliances are strategizing for the upcoming delimitation Bill.

Delimitation is the process of redrawing the boundaries of Lok Sabha and State Assembly constituencies to represent population changes.

KEY EXAM POINTS

- The **Monsoon Session** of Parliament is scheduled to commence on **July 20, 2026**.
- The ruling **National Democratic Alliance (NDA)** and the Opposition **Indian National Developmental Inclusive Alliance (INDIA)** are formulating strategies.
- Efforts are being intensified to secure support for the upcoming **delimitation Bill**.
- The **NDA** is relying on potential splits within the **Trinamool** and **Sena** parties.
- The ruling alliance also notes a political realignment occurring in **Tamil Nadu**.
- The **Congress** parliamentary group is scheduled to meet on **July 16, 2026**.

STATICS & SYLLABUS FOCUS

Delimitation is carried out by an independent **Delimitation Commission** appointed by the **President of India**.

The **Delimitation Commission** is constituted under the **Delimitation Commission Act**.

The **Constitution of India** mandates readjustment of constituencies after every **census** under **Article 82** (for Parliament) and **Article 170** (for State Assemblies).

The **42nd Amendment Act** of **1976** froze the delimitation of constituencies until the year **2000**.

The **84th Amendment Act** of **2001** extended this freeze on delimitation until the first census after **2026**.

The **Delimitation Commission** comprises a retired **Supreme Court judge**, the **Chief Election Commissioner**, and the respective **State Election Commissioner**.

The orders of the **Delimitation Commission** are final and cannot be challenged in any **court of law**.

The primary objective of **delimitation** is to provide **equal representation** to equal segments of the population.

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Delimitation is the process of redrawing constituency boundaries, currently frozen until the first census after 2026.

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