

SC Rejects Plea to Curb Social Media Content; Warns on Article 32

The Supreme Court rejected a petition seeking to restrict social media reels and podcasts, cautioning against politicising Article 32 of the Constitution.

Article 32 of the Indian Constitution guarantees the right to constitutional remedies, allowing citizens to move the Supreme Court for the enforcement of their fundamental rights.

KEY EXAM POINTS

- On **July 15, 2026**, the **Supreme Court** refused to entertain a **writ petition** to curb podcasts and **social media reels**.
- The Court stated that the freedom to directly approach the **Supreme Court** under **Article 32** cannot be used to **politicise issues**.
- The petition was filed against the online circulation of allegedly **derogatory comments** by an **influencer** against **Prophet Muhammed**.
- The **Supreme Court Bench** advised the petitioner to file a **complaint** and ensure the registration of an **FIR** in such cases.

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Article 32 is enshrined in **Part III** of the Indian Constitution, which deals with **Fundamental Rights**.

Dr. B.R. Ambedkar famously referred to **Article 32** as the '**heart and soul**' of the Indian Constitution.

Under **Article 32**, the **Supreme Court** has the power to issue **five types of writs**: Habeas Corpus, Mandamus, Prohibition, Certiorari, and Quo Warranto.

High Courts also possess **writ jurisdiction** under **Article 226** of the Constitution, which is broader than that of the **Supreme Court**.

The **power to issue writs** is a crucial aspect of **judicial review** and the protection of **fundamental rights** in India.

Article 32 itself is a **fundamental right**, ensuring that other **fundamental rights** are **enforceable**.

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Supreme Court warned against politicising Article 32, which guarantees the right to constitutional remedies.

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