Supreme Court Directs NCLAT and NCLT to Submit Infrastructure Proposals

The Supreme Court directed the presidents of NCLAT and NCLT to submit proposals on infrastructure and staffing after a petition highlighted that 18 benches hold only half-day sittings due to a shortage of members.

The National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT) and National Company Law Appellate Tribunal (NCLAT) are quasi-judicial bodies established under the Companies Act, 2013 to handle corporate disputes and insolvency proceedings in India.

KEY EXAM POINTS

- The **Supreme Court** issued directions on **October 29, 2026**, to strengthen the functioning of tribunals.
- Presidents of the **National Company Law Appellate Tribunal** and **National Company Law Tribunal** were directed to submit comprehensive infrastructure and staffing proposals within four weeks.
- The **NCLT Bar Association** filed an application stating that at least **18 benches** of NCLT are holding only half-day sittings because of a shortage of members.
- The Supreme Court Bench comprising Chief Justice **Surya Kant**, Justices **Joymalya Bagchi**, and V Mohan heard the matter.

DID YOU KNOW..!?

The National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT) was established under **Section 408** of the **Companies Act, 2013**.

NCLT was constituted on **June 1, 2016**, based on the recommendations of the **Justice Eradi Committee** on law relating to insolvency and winding up of companies.

The National Company Law Appellate Tribunal (**NCLAT**) was constituted under **Section 410** of the Companies Act, 2013 to hear appeals against NCLT orders.

Tribunals in India were given constitutional status through the **42nd Constitutional Amendment Act, 1976**, which added **Articles 323A and 323B**.

Article 323B empowers the appropriate Legislature to establish tribunals for various matters including industrial and labour disputes, taxation, and foreign exchange.

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