

## Jai Hind

Passage 02

Directions: In this section, you have one short passages. Each passage, you will find some questions based on the passage. Read the passage carefully and answer the questions based on it. You are required to select your answers based on the contents of the passage and the opinion of the author only.





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#### Question 1.

According to the passage, what is the primary purpose of the Supreme Court's recent initiatives? (a) To increase the number of judges in the judiciary. (b) To enhance transparency and efficiency in judicial processes. (c) To reduce the jurisdiction of lower courts.

(d) To implement new laws for case management.

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#### **Question 2:**

In the context of the passage, what does the term "opaque" most nearly mean? (a) Transparent (b) Unclear (c) Efficient (d) Accountable



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#### **Question 3:**

The passage concludes that debates continue about: (a) The increase in the number of pending cases. (b) The effectiveness of reforms and balance between judicial independence and accountability. (c) The reduction of the Supreme Court's jurisdiction. (d) The implementation of new laws by the legislature.





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#### **Question 4:**

According to the passage, the establishment of the National **Judicial Appointments Commission** (NJAC) was intended to: (a) Increase the number of judges appointed annually. (b) Make the process of judicial appointments more transparent. (c) Reduce the backlog of pending cases. (d) Limit the executive's role in judicial appointments.

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#### **Question 5**:

Which of the following issues is NOT mentioned in the passage as a concern related to the Indian judiciary? (a) Backlog of cases leading to delayed justice. (b) Opaque nature of judicial appointments. (c) Corruption among judges. (d) Balance between judicial independence and accountability.





# Answer Explanation



#### **1. Answer:** B

**Explanation:** The passage states that the Supreme Court has initiated measures to address concerns about transparency and efficiency, such as establishing the NJAC and implementing technological solutions. Therefore, the primary purpose is to enhance transparency and efficiency in judicial processes.

#### 2. Answer: B

Explanation: "Opaque" means not transparent or unclear. In the passage, it refers to the lack of transparency in judicial appointments.

#### 3. Answer: B



**Explanation:** The passage mentions that despite reforms, debates continue about their effectiveness and the balance between judicial independence and accountability.

4. Answer: B

Explanation: The passage indicates that the NJAC was established as a measure to address concerns about the opaque nature of judicial appointments, aiming to make the process more transparent.
5. Answer: C

**Explanation:** The passage discusses concerns about delayed justice due to case backlogs, lack of transparency in judicial appointments, and debates about judicial independence and accountability. It does not mention corruption among judges.