

**OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL DISTRICT & SESSIONS JUDGE,
NORTH DISTRICT, ROHINI COURTS, DELHI**

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Sub: Directives of APAaR–District Judiciary in Phase-V (January 2026 to June 2026).

In continuation of earlier phases of APAaR -District Judiciary and in reference to the Minutes of Meeting held on 23.01.2026 under the Chairmanship of the State Court Management Systems Committee and Disposal Review Committee with the Chairpersons of the District Case Management Committee (DCMS), the following directions/recommendations are hereby issued for strict compliance by all Judicial Officers of Delhi Judiciary in connection with APAaR – Phase V (January 2026 to June 2026).

- **Disposal of Old Cases:** All Judicial Officers shall prioritize the disposal of cases pending for more than 30 years and not to give date beyond two weeks in all such cases and those between 20–30 years. The primary objective shall be to reduce the pendencies and bring down the number to zero. Focus shall also be to bring down the backlog of cases older than 10 years, if any remain after Phase IV of APAaR.
- **Identification and Disposal of Oldest Cases:** Judicial Officers shall identify 50 oldest pending cases (including those not disposed of during Phase IV). Out of these, focus shall be on 25 Criminal Cases and 25 Civil Cases (excluding execution petitions). These cases shall be disposed of by the end of June – 2026 subject to there being no stay by any higher court.
- **Reiteration of Phase IV Targets in Exclusive Courts for the Fifth Phase:** Judicial Officers presiding over exclusive courts shall continue to adhere to and, where necessary suitably adjust the targets prescribed in Phase IV. This includes, Commercial Courts, POCSO Courts, Courts dealing with offences against women, NI Act Courts, Land Acquisition matters and MACT etc.
- **Continued efforts qua Execution Petitions:** In compliance with the judgment in Periyammal (Dead through Lrs.) vs. V. Rajamani & Anr. (2025 INSC 329), all Judicial Officers shall Identify execution petitions pending for more than 6 months from the date of filing and Prioritize their expeditious disposal. In case no such petitions are pending, efforts shall be made to identify and dispose of the 20 oldest execution petitions.

- **Framing of Issues in Civil Cases:** Judicial Officers in continuation of Phase IV shall continue to ensure, as a matter of routine, that issues in civil cases are framed within one month from the date of completion of pleadings.
- **Framing of Charges in Criminal Cases:** Judicial Officers in continuation of Phase IV shall ensure, as a matter of routine, that charges are framed within one month in all cases where framing of charge is required as per law.
- **Disposal of Interim Applications:** Judicial Officers shall expedite the disposal of all interim applications in civil suits carried over from Phase III that have been pending for more than three months.
- **Completion of Tasks under Phases IV & V:** Judicial Officers shall ensure completion of all tasks assigned under Phase IV and Phase V, including Identification of pending cases, Physical verification of records, Update existing records, Identify and reconciliation of discrepancies in physical files, ensure accuracy, transparency, enhance efficiency and validation of records etc.

All Judicial Officers posted in the North District, Rohini Courts, Delhi are hereby directed to ensure strict and time-bound compliance of all directions issued under Phase V of APAaR and all pending targets remaining unachieved under Phase IV shall also be completed within the prescribed timeline.


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Principal District & Sessions Judge
North District, Rohini Courts, Delhi

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