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## 2 INDIAN JOURNALISTS WIN PULITZER PRIZE

- The Pulitzer Prize is awarded annually by Columbia University in the United States in memory of American journalist Joseph Pulitzer.
- Among the winners are Indian journalists Anand RK and Suparna Sharma. An awareness cartoon series titled "Trapped" was published in a leading media outlet regarding Digital Arrest fraud.
- For this work, the Pulitzer Prize has been announced for Anand RK, Suparna Sharma, and Natalie Obiko Pearson from Japan.
- Anand RK, a native of Mumbai, the capital of Maharashtra, has created innovative artistic works for the Indian Navy and various private organizations.
- Suparna Sharma, a journalist based in Delhi, has written news reports and articles for various media outlets, including Al Jazeera, BBC, and The Hindu Group's Frontline magazine.
- The news reports and articles written by Natalie Obiko Pearson of Japan regarding Prime Minister Modi's political growth gained great attention globally.

## APPROVAL TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF SUPREME COURT JUDGES TO 38

- The Union Cabinet has given its approval to increase the sanctioned strength of judges in the Supreme Court from the current 34 to 38.
- "Currently, the strength of judges in the Supreme Court stands at the Chief Justice and 33 judges. The Union Cabinet has approved raising this number to 38.

## WEBSITE FACILITY TO SEARCH FOR UNCLAIMED DEPOSITS IN BANKS: RBI INFORMS SUPREME COURT

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) provided this information during the hearing of a petition filed by journalist Sucheta Dalal, urging the creation of a procedure for legal heirs to access information regarding deposits in the event of the depositor's death.
- A website named 'UDGAM' has been created to find details regarding unclaimed deposits in various banks.

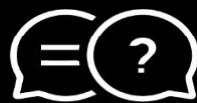


- Accordingly, a bill will be introduced in the upcoming parliamentary session to increase the number of judge posts by an additional 4.
- If this bill is passed, the number of Supreme Court judges will rise to 38.
- When the Supreme Court (Number of Judges) Act was enacted in 1956, the total number of other judges in the Supreme Court, excluding the Chief Justice, was fixed at only 10.
- In 1960, an amendment act was brought in to increase this number to 13, and through the next legislative amendment, the number of judges was raised to 17.
- Later, through an amendment act brought in 1986, the number of Supreme Court judges was increased from 17 to 25.
- Subsequently, in 2009, this number was increased to 30, and in 2019, the number of other judges, excluding the Chief Justice, was increased to 33."

### **REMITTANCES SENT FROM ABROAD: INDIA RANKS FIRST**

- In the past year 2024, people who went to work from India to other countries sent Rs 12.8 lakh crore (137 billion dollars) to their home country, according to the UN migration agency.
- Furthermore, the organization stated in a press release that India is the only country to receive more than Rs 9.4 lakh crore (100 billion dollars) in remittances from abroad.
- The four countries India, Mexico, Philippines, and France have taken the top four spots in the list of countries receiving the highest remittances from abroad in the year 2024.
- » High growth in the South Asian region:
- Due to the high volume of remittances sent from abroad to countries like India, Bangladesh, and Pakistan, the growth in the South Asian region increased to 11.8 percent in the year 2024.
- » 6.20 lakh students abroad:
- In the year 2022, more than 10 lakh students from China went abroad to study. India is in second place on this list with 6.20 lakh students.

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