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Q4

The judicial systems in India and UK seem to be converging as well as diverging in the recent times. Highlight the key points of convergence and divergence between the two nations in terms of their judicial practices.

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Constitutional Reform Act, 2005

Created the UK Supreme Court and recast the Lord Chancellor; end of the Law Lords as the final court inside Parliament.

Human Rights Act, 1998

Lets UK courts declare incompatibility with Convention rights without voiding the Act.

Kesavananda Bharati (1973)

Basic-structure doctrine; no UK analogue of judicial limits on the constituent power.

NJAC Case (2015)

Supreme Court struck down the 99th Amendment and NJAC, restoring the collegium.

Article 32 / PIL

Indian original jurisdiction for fundamental rights and public-interest dockets unknown in UK practice at that scale.

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