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Discuss the desirability of greater representation to women in the higher judiciary to ensure diversity, equity and inclusiveness.

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2021 · GS II · 10 marks · Executive and Judiciary

Structure, organization and functioning of the Executive and the Judiciary - Ministries and Departments of the Government; pressure groups and formal/informal associations and their role in the Polity.

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Justice M. Fathima Beevi

First woman judge of the **Supreme Court of India (1989)**, which showed that the barrier was practice, not text.

Articles 124 and 217

Appointment provisions for the Supreme Court and High Courts; they are gender-neutral and therefore place the gap on process, not on eligibility.

Collegium and MoP

The living appointment method after the Judges Cases; the place where diversity criteria must be written if they are to bite.

POSH Act, 2013

Workplace-harassment statute whose fact patterns reach the higher judiciary and need benches that take women's evidence seriously.

Law Commission / parliamentary notes

Repeated official concern that the higher judiciary does not reflect the gender composition of the Bar.

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