

## Appointment of Two New Judges in Patna High Court

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## Why in News

On October 6, 2021, the Union Law Ministry appointed Patna High Court **Registrar General Navneet Kumar Pandey** and Registrar Vigilance **Sunil Kumar Panwar as judges** of Patna High Court.

## **Key Points**

- At present, the total sanctioned strength of judges in the Patna High Court is 53, out of which **only 19 judges**, including the Chief Justice, were posted. With the appointment of two new judges, this **number has now increased to 21**.
- Besides the appointment of two new judges, **Justice Anant Manohar Badar** of the Kerala High Court has been transferred to the Patna High Court, while Justice Ahsanuddin Amanullah of the Patna High Court has been transferred to the Andhra Pradesh High Court.
- The problem is increasing due to the increasing number of cases and shortage of judges in Patna High Court. Now the appointment of two new judges is likely to speed up the hearing.