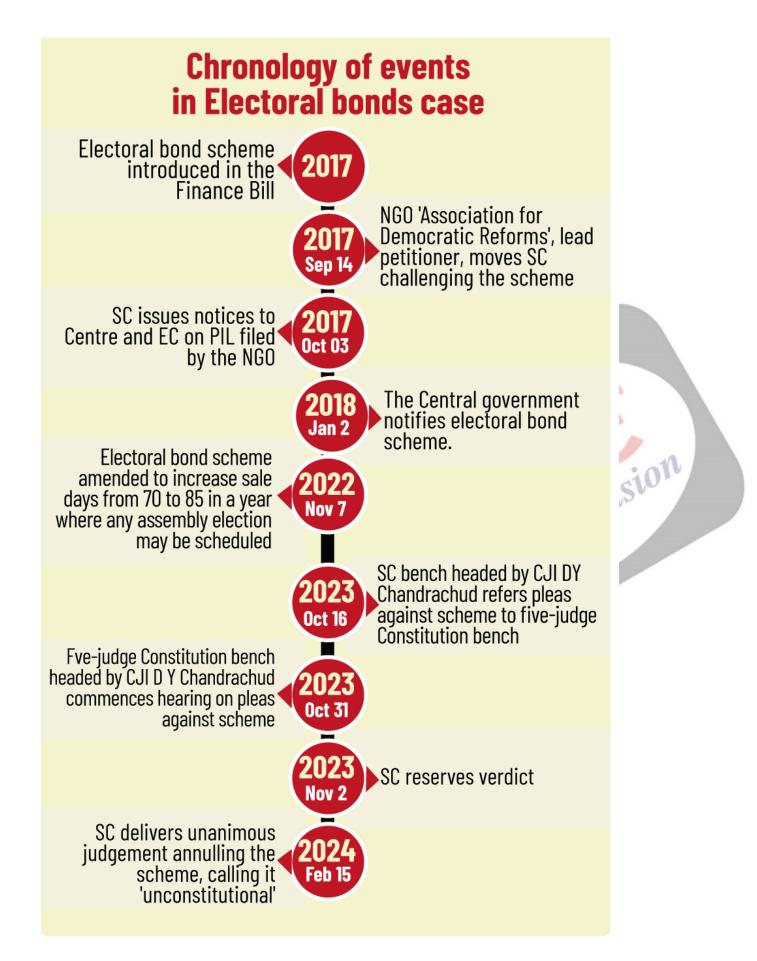


Political Contribution by Newly Incorporated Firms

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Despite **regulations prohibiting companies less than three years old from making political contributions**, recent data reveals startling purchases of <u>electoral bonds</u> by newly established firms in India.

- The <u>Companies Act 2013</u> prohibits companies less than three years old from making political contributions, aiming to prevent <u>shell companies</u> from contributing funds into political parties.
 - The 2017 amendment removed the cap on contributions **but retained the three-year prohibition.**
- Section 182 of the Companies Act 2013 outlines penalties for contravention, including fines and imprisonment for officers.



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