Respected Sir,

I am a research scholar, involved in carrying out a study Justice Delivery in India - A critique (with special reference to Supreme Court). I would appreciate if you could spare some valuable time and answer the few questions given below. This information is very important since this is going to be the part of an important research initiative. All information provided whilst filling this questionnaire will be kept confidential and limited to academic purposes only.

**Questionnaire**

1. Response of Judge of:
   - (a) Supreme Court
   - (b) High Court
   - (c) District Court
   - (d) Tribunal
   - (e) Fast Track Court

   □ Name : __________________
   □ Address : __________________
   □ Qualification : __________________

2. Since how many years are you associated in the field of Judiciary ?
   - (a) Experience as a Judge : _______ in years
   - (b) Experience as an Advocate : _______ in years

3. Should Public Interest Litigation (PIL) be entertained liberally ?
   - (a) Yes
   - (b) No
   - (c) Based on Merit
   - (d) Don’t want to answer

4. How much time do the Judges normally take to give decision and pronounce Judgement after hearing the arguments ?
   - (a) Immediately
   - (b) within 3 months
   - (c) No fixed time
   - (d) Don’t want to answer
5. Should time be fixed for the courts to decide upon the cases?

(a) Yes    (b) No

If yes, then what should be the optimum time frame?

(a) Within 6 months  (b) Within 12 months
(c) Within 24 months  (d) Within 60 months

6. There has been delay in dispensing Justice and Justice delayed is Justice denied, What do you think are the major hurdles in quick dispensation of justice?

(a) Procedural Delay    (b) No. of cases are more
(c) Less no. of working hours    (d) Poor Infrastructure
(e) Lack of awareness on part of Litigants    (f) No fixation of time limit
(g) Delay tactics adopted by lawyers    (h) Others (please specify) ______

7. Besides delayed Justice, What do you think ails Justice delivery system in India?

(a) Expensive Justice    (b) Corruption in Judiciary
(c) Non accountability of Judges    (d) Rigid and complicated Procedures
(e) Others (please specify) ______

8. Do you think at times there are certain factors which are beyond your control while Administering Justice?

(a) Yes, happens normally    (b) Yes, in rarest of the cases
(c) No, Not possible

If yes, then What do you do generally?

(a) Delay the decision    (b) Transfer the case to other judge
(c) Still give Judgment    (d) No comment, please
9. What (in your viewpoint) are the seminal issues facing Judiciary?

(a) Corruption in Judiciary  
(b) Training of Judges  
(c) Accountability of Judges  
(d) Transfer of Judges  
(e) ADRS  
(f) Appointment of Incompetent persons as Judges  
(g) Lack of transparency  
(h) Others (please specify)

10. Do you think that Judiciary is able to protect the rights of its citizens in India?

(a) Yes  
(b) to some extent  
(c) Still long way to go  
(d) No  
(e) Can't say

11. It is said under the Judicial Activism, Judiciary infact has encroached upon the areas hitherto reserved for Legislature and Executive do you agree with it or not.

Give your views.

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12. There is no Agency existing in India to which Judges can be made accountable, Do you think Judges too should be made accountable to some forum or institution, If yes then suggest the constitution of such Agency, If not then suggest measures to tackle errant Judges?

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13. Do you think that amendments introduced in Civil Procedure Code (CPC) in the year 2002 will help in improving Justice delivery system in India?

(a) Yes  
(b) to some extent  
(c) Long way to go  
(d) No  
(e) Can't say

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14. Do you think that the amount sanctioned in the Budget every year for Judiciary is sufficient?
(a) Yes (b) Not

If not, how much it should be; moreover should the fine imposed by the Courts be allowed to be spent by the courts:

15. Should Judiciary have a machinery to supervise the implementation of its orders?

16. Should Judiciary have a Research Division?

17. Should the Judges be provided the help of research officers for writing the Judgments?

18. What reforms do you suggest for making Justice Delivery System more effective and meaningful for common man? (from Judge Viewpoint)
19. What other reforms / suggestions do you make to make Justice delivery system more efficient and effective (from citizens point of view) ?

Thank you very much for your co-operation