

Strengthening Arbitration and Mediation Infrastructure in India

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The Government of India has enacted the India International Arbitration Centre Act, 2019, to provide for the establishment of the India International Arbitration Centre for the purpose of creating an independent, autonomous and world class body for facilitating institutional arbitration and to declare the Centre to be an institution of national importance. The Centre aims to inspire confidence amongst parties, by providing a dispute resolution platform for resolution of commercial disputes through arbitration. The Centre is envisaged to become a model arbitral institution in the country, thereby paving the way for enhancing the quality of institutional framework for arbitration. Apart from India International Arbitration Centre, no other arbitration or mediation centre has been established by the Central Government.

The Mediation Act, 2023 has been enacted with a view to promote mediation, especially institutional mediation in the country. Section 31 of the Act provides for the establishment of Mediation Council of India as a national level body *inter-alia* for promoting mediation as a preferred mode of dispute resolution and for recognising mediation service providers in the country. Further, a national level Mediation Conference was organised by Ld. Attorney General for India in association with Department of Legal Affairs and India International Arbitration Centre on 03.05.2025 at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi. The aim of the conference was to promote mediation as a primary mode of dispute and conflict resolution across the country. Also, a Conference on Institutional Arbitration: An effective framework for Dispute Resolution was organised by the Government of India on 14.06.2025, with a view to promote the advantages of institutional arbitration including in Tier II and Tier III cities.

This information was given by the Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Law and Justice and Minister of State in the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs Shri Arjun Ram Meghwal in a written reply to a question in the Lok Sabha today.

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