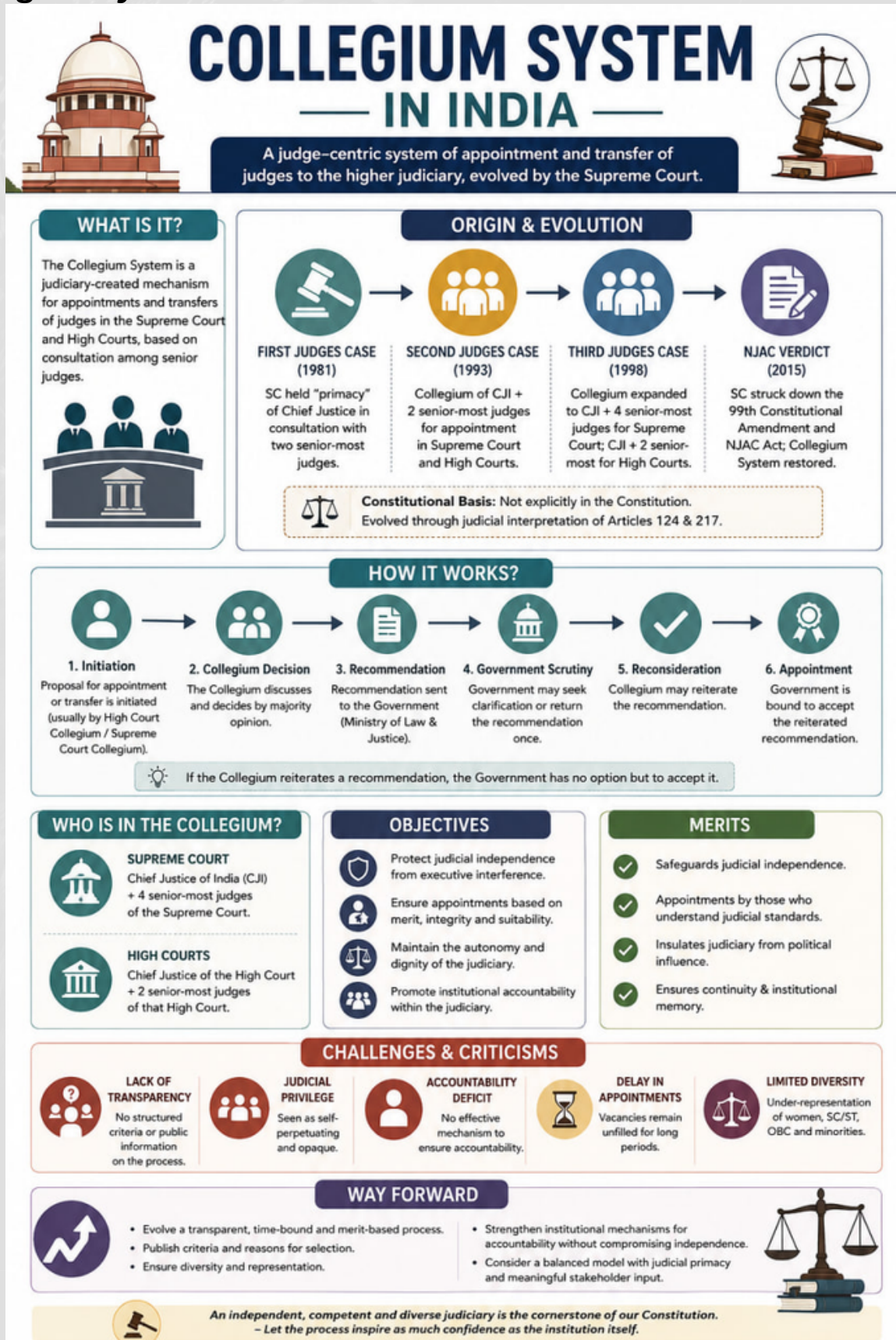


1 Collegium System (Source: The Hindu)

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2 Qualifications Required for the Appointment of Supreme Court Judges and High Court Judges (Source: The Hindu)

Qualifications Required for the Appointment of Supreme Court Judges

- A person to be appointed as a judge of the Supreme Court should have the following qualifications:
 - He should be a citizen of India.
 - He should have been a judge of a High Court (or high courts in succession) for five years; or
 - He should have been an advocate of a High Court (or High Courts in succession) for ten years; or
 - He should be a distinguished jurist in the opinion of the president.
- The Constitution has not prescribed a minimum age for appointment as a judge of the Supreme Court.

Qualifications Required for the Appointment of High Court Judges

- Under Article 217(2) of the Constitution of India, a person is qualified to be appointed as a Judge of a High Court if:
 - Must be a citizen of India.
 - Must have held a judicial office in the territory of India for at least 10 years;
 - Must have been an advocate of a High Court, or of two or more High Courts in succession, for at least 10 years.



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3 Global South (Source: The Indian Express)

The Global South refers to developing, less developed, or underdeveloped countries.

- These are primarily located in Africa, Asia, and Latin America

Common Features

- Many countries experienced colonialism and continue to face developmental challenges linked to historical inequalities.
- Generally characterized by lower or middle income levels, though the group also includes major emerging economies.
- Contains a large share of the world's population and a significant proportion of its young population.
- Poverty, food and energy security, debt, technology access, climate finance and infrastructure are major issues.
- Many Global South countries seek greater representation in institutions such as the UN Security Council, IMF and World Bank.
- There is no universally accepted list of Global South countries.

India's Stand

- India has sought to position itself as a prominent voice for developing countries, including through the Voice of Global South Summit.
- During its 2023 G20 Presidency, India also supported the African Union's admission as a permanent G20 member.
- India's engagement focuses particularly on South-South cooperation, development partnerships, digital public infrastructure, climate justice, food and energy security, capacity building and reform of multilateral institutions.