



## Blogger Judge: ‘Executive corrupting judiciary’

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**New Delhi :** In a rare outburst, a sitting High Court Judge has alleged that “a vocal and aggressive Executive Government is attempting to regulate and take over Judiciary, even by corrupting the Judiciary.”

This is part of the Republic Day greetings on his blog posted by Karnataka H C Judge D V Shylendra Kumar. He has been in the news ever since he took on the Chief Justice of India on the issue of declaration of assets.

Justice Kumar writes: “Inept and corrupt Judiciary is playing second fiddle to the Executive. It is only the legislature albeit corrupt, rudderless and inefficient, has nevertheless on an occasion or two, that has adhered to its assigned role, has occasionally flashed sparks of brilliance by competent performances, is holding out a ray of hope!”

Of the three organs of the State, he says, “(the) judiciary has to take the major share of the blame, as the Judiciary by not being alright and upright by itself, has failed to check and keep the other two organs of the State in control and in the right mode.”

The judge, who took to active blogging late last year, accuses politicians and political parties of frittering away the hard-fought independence achieved during the freedom struggle.

“We are losing our values, we are mortgaging our country...to the dictates of the developed countries,” he writes.

Calling the media “the biggest educator and moulder of public opinion,” he said that it had been “taken over by vested interest...do not remain neutral or objective, but are corrupted and biased.”