The Many Myths of Commercial Litigation in India:

An Assessment of the Commercial Courts Act, 2015

**A Round-Table Discussion hosted by the Vidhi Centre for Legal Policy**

**Date: Saturday, July 6, 2019**

**Venue: Juniper Hall, India Habitat Centre, New Delhi**

**Registration opens at 10:30 AM**

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| **TIMINGS** | **SESSION** |
| 10:30-11:00 AM | Registration and tea |
| 11:00-11:30 AM | Presentation by Vaidehi Misra and Ameen Jauhar on the findings of their report titled Commercial Courts Act, 2015: An Empirical Impact Evaluation. |
| 11:30 AM - 01:30 PM  | Roundtable DiscussionModerator: Prashant Reddy, Senior Resident Fellow, Vidhi Centre for Legal Policy, New DelhiThemes for the discussion:* Round 1 - Should there be exclusive commercial courts, given the shortfall of judges and courtrooms in India?
* Round 2 - How has the Act been implementation in different courts across India?
* Round 3 - Are procedural reforms sufficient to improve the litigation culture in India?

Speakers:* Mr D. Raja, Member Rajya Sabha
* Mr Pratik Datta, Senior Research Fellow, Shardul Amarchand Mangaldas & Co., Delhi
* Ms Leah Verghese, Research Manager, Daksh, Bangalore
* Mr Sanjeev Kapoor, Partner, Khaitan & Co., Delhi
* Mr Jaideep Verma, Jaideep Verma & Associates, Vadodara
* Mr Hasit Seth, Chambers of Hasit Seth, Bombay
* Mr Mihir Naniwadekar, Advocate, Bombay High Court
* Mr Swaroop Mamidipudi, Advocate, Madras High Court
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|  01:30 - 02:30 PM | Lunch |