

## Cash-at-home row: Delhi HC judge taken off cases

SC collegium confirms decision on Justice Varma's transfer to Allahabad HC; HC lawyers to go on strike

**PTI, NEW DELHI/PRAYAGRAJ:** After two meetings, the Supreme Court Collegium on Monday recommended the repatriation of Delhi High Court judge Justice Yashwant Varma, who is facing a probe into the alleged discovery of huge stash of cash from his official residence in Delhi after a fire incident, to his parent Allahabad High Court.

Hours after the transfer recommendation to the Centre was made public in a resolution uploaded on the website of the top court, the president of the Allahabad High Court Bar Association (AHCBA) Anil Tiwari said the high court lawyers will go on an indefinite strike from Tuesday in protest against this move.

Justice Varma's proposed transfer could come into effect after the Centre accepts the recommendation, which came on a day when the Delhi High Court in a notice withdrew judicial work from Justice Varma "with immediate effect".

"The Supreme Court Collegium in its meetings held on March 20 and 24, 2025 has recommended the repatriation of Justice Yashwant Varma, Judge, High Court of Delhi, to the High Court of Judicature at Allahabad," said the resolution adopted by

the top court. The AHCBA last week voiced its opposition to any such move, saying the high

court is not a "trash bin". In a series of resolutions, it also urged the CJI to allow investigating agen-

cies to take action against Justice Varma.

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