

Judge penalised for smoking with lawyers

THE Bombay High Court has upheld the decision of a five-judge disciplinary committee censuring a civil judge for puffing away in the bar room with lawyers and reporting late to the court. S B Kulkarni, currently presiding over a Buldana civil court, was "censured" in February this year by the High Court committee that conducted an inquiry initiated by the Principal Judge at Jalgaon on a complaint filed by lawyers.