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## > Insolvency Regime Needs Urgent Reform

The recent Supreme Court verdict nullifying JSW Steel's ₹19,700 crore acquisition of Bhushan Power & Steel has highlighted serious structural issues in India's Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (IBC). The court cited procedural lapses, raising alarm over the sanctity and finality of resolution plans, which has in turn eroded creditor and investor confidence. One of the most pressing concerns is the increasing delay in resolution timelines—now averaging 849 days, far exceeding the 330-day limit prescribed by the IBC. Additionally, instances of judicial overreach have altered the balance of rights between financial and operational creditors, moving away from the code's original intent.

Experts argue that urgent reforms are needed to restore the effectiveness of the IBC. This includes strengthening the institutional capacity of tribunals to manage the growing caseload, integrating technology to streamline proceedings, and undertaking comprehensive policy revisions to realign the code with its foundational goal—timely and efficient resolution of distressed assets. The JSW-Bhushan Power case serves as a wake-up call for policymakers to act decisively and protect the integrity of India's insolvency framework.

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## > BYJU'S Insolvency Dispute Deepens Over GLAS Trust's Role

Riju Ravindran, co-founder Byju Raveendran's brother and former director of BYJU'S, has filed a petition with the NCLT seeking the removal of GLAS Trust from the Committee of Creditors (CoC). He alleges that GLAS, representing \$1.2B Term Loan B lenders, fraudulently posed as a

financial creditor and is attempting to take control of BYJU'S. This marks Ravindran's second legal challenge against GLAS's inclusion, following a previous unsuccessful appeal.

Ravindran and Raveendran have also questioned the appointment of former insolvency professional Pankaj Srivastava and the reconstitution of the CoC, citing conflict of interest. GLAS, previously excluded, was reinstated in January 2025 by the NCLT. The lender had earlier taken the matter to the Supreme Court after its \$1.35B claims were challenged.

Notably, a U.S. court found BYJU'S guilty of embezzling \$533M in funds and imposed a \$10,000-per-day penalty on Ravindran until the missing money is recovered.

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## ➤ NCLT Seeks Updated Power of Attorney from SpiceJet's Aircraft Lessors

The National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT) has directed three aircraft lessors of low-cost airline SpiceJet—AWAS 36698 Ireland, AWAS 36694 Ireland, and AWAS 36695 Ireland—to furnish a valid and updated Power of Attorney (PoA). This directive came during a hearing on their insolvency petitions against SpiceJet, filed in April 2024 over a ₹77 crore default. SpiceJet's legal counsel pointed out that the PoA submitted with the petitions had expired on February 11, 2025, and no fresh authorization had been provided since. The tribunal agreed, stating that to proceed with the case, a current and valid PoA must be on record. In response, the lessors' counsel requested additional time to file the necessary documentation. The NCLT has scheduled the next hearing for July 3, 2025. SpiceJet, which has been operating for 19 years, is already under pressure from several other insolvency petitions, including those filed by Willis Lease, Aircastle Ireland, Wilmington, and Celestial Aviation.

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