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Union law and justice minister will introduce the High Court and Supreme Court Judges (Salaries and Conditions of Service) Amendment Bill, 2021 in the Lok Sabha.

The Bill proposes to:

- Bring **clarity concerning the date** on which a retired judge becomes eligible for an **additional quantum of pension**.
 - At present there are **five age brackets** (with minimum age of 80, 85, 90, 95, and 100 years) when they are entitled to an additional quantum of pension or family pension.
- Insert an explanation in sections 17b of the HC judges act and 16b of the Supreme Court judges act to clarify the **government's objective**.

Key Facts:

- The **pension** of a retired **judge of high court** is charged on **the Consolidated Fund of India** according to Article 112(3) of the Constitution of India whereas, **salaries & allowances** are charged on **Consolidated Fund of State**.