

03 — COURT AUDIT

Find and tackle *the backlog.*

Case-level analysis of court performance, caseload and delay.



A — THE PROBLEM IT SOLVES

“We need to understand and reduce our court backlog”

Court backlogs can reflect multiple causes across the justice chain. A Court Audit works at case level to establish where cases are accumulating, how old they are, what causes adjournments and whether judges and staff are deployed according to caseload.

The output is practical. Findings are translated into Case Management Orders – targeted measures to filter and clear cases and to tackle the administrative processes that cause delay.

The same approach can establish a measured baseline for commercial courts and the enforcement of judgments, where delay translates directly into legal and investment risk.

B — KEY QUESTIONS

- 01 Where are cases accumulating?
- 02 How old is the backlog?
- 03 Which courts have the lowest clearance rates?
- 04 What causes adjournments?
- 05 Does judicial and administrative staffing correspond to caseload?
- 06 Which cases can be filtered out or cleared?

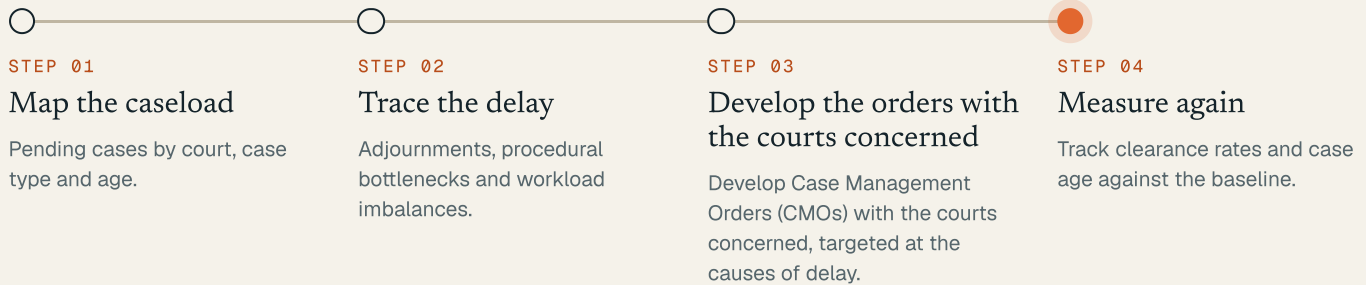
SCOPE
Courts

TIMING
Scoped to each assignment

PRODUCES
Case Management Orders (CMOs)

C — HOW IT WORKS

From question to action



D — WHAT YOU RECEIVE

- 01 Case Management Orders (CMOs)**
Practical orders to filter and clear cases, grounded in case-level evidence.
- 02 Caseflow analysis**
Clearance rates, disposition times, age of pending cases and adjournment rates, court by court.
- 03 Workload and resource profile**
Judges and staff measured against caseload, including vacancies and workload distribution.
- 04 Performance baseline**
Court-level indicators that can be measured again to show whether the backlog is falling.

E — WHERE IT FITS

	CORE REFORM	EU ACCESSION	INVESTMENT	FIRST 100 DAYS
Justice Audit	●	●	●	—
Justice Snapshot	●	●	●	●
Court Audit	●	●	●	●
Prison Audit	●	—	—	●

Court Audit sits within every application, as well as core justice reform.

F — WHAT IT EXAMINES

- PENDING CASELOAD AND BACKLOG
- AGE OF PENDING CASES
- CLEARANCE RATES
- DISPOSITION TIME
- ADJOURNMENTS
- JUDICIAL AND STAFF WORKLOAD
- VACANCIES
- CASE MANAGEMENT AND DIGITAL SYSTEMS

G — IN PRACTICE

>30%

Estimated reduction in case backlog from the case-management measures that followed Court Audit work in Bangladesh.

EVIDENCE INTO ACTION
BANGLADESH

H — NEXT STEP

Need to understand *your court backlog?*

Every Audit begins with a conversation about a specific problem. Tell us about your context and we will show you what the Court Audit could reveal.

START A CONVERSATION

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