

**B/323 The Honourable Second Member for Grand' Baie and Poudre d'Or (Mr Rughoobur)**

**To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, Minister of Justice, Human Rights and Institutional Reforms –**

**Whether, in regard to the Judges, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Master and Registrar, information as to the number thereof in post in each of the years 2009, 2016 and 2017?**

**REPLY**

Madam Speaker,

The figures for the years 2009, 2016 and 2017 are as follows –

<b>Year</b>	<b>No. of Puisne Judges in post</b>
2009	15
2016	17
2017	18

## Additional information

Number of posts for Judges (funded, not funded and vacancies)

Year	No in post	Funded position	Non-funded position	No of vacancies
2009	15	18	0	3
2010	15	22	0	7
2011	17	23	0	6
2012	18	23	5	5
2013	18	18	5	0
2014	17	18	5	1
2015	18	19	4	1
2016	17	19	4	2
2017	18	19	4	1

The Judicial and Legal Service Commission will soon proceed with the appointment of a new Puisne Judge. We have the same infrastructural problems at the Supreme Court especially in the two wings of the historical building. In September 2014 one Puisne Judge had to occupy an office at the Commercial Division since her appointment although she sits at the Civil Division of the Supreme Court. Further another Puisne Judge had to vacate his office because of water leakages at the left wing and one Court room had to be closed for the same reason.

The Honourable Chief Justice would therefore invite Honourable members of Parliament to make a site visit of the Supreme Court building especially in times of rain.