

The Super Sleuths

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in conversation with Indira Dharchaudhuri**

How do you ensure that offenders are taken to task?

Broadly speaking, our investigation either establishes official impropriety or criminal misconduct. In the former, we recommend stern departmental action. In the latter case, we prosecute the guilty in court and secure a conviction. We've a conviction rate of 71 per cent -- the highest amongst all the central agencies and the police force in our country.

Is it a fact that the CBI is short staffed?

There are a large number of posts at the level of Investigating Officers that are vacant. ACTUALLY, there're some problems in filling up all the vacancies from the



with an interview for recruiting Sub-Inspectors ILM the CBI, Delhi Police etc., every year. It's a graduate-level exam and the age bar is 26-25 years. While periodical reviews for upgrading the exam are being done to meet the changing

How long will it take the FBI?

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