

Civil court - Jurisdiction - [CPC S. 9](#) - Therefore, it is a fundamental presumption in statutory interpretation that ordinary civil courts have jurisdiction to decide all matters of a civil nature. As a corollary,

(i) provisions excluding jurisdiction of civil courts should receive strict construction. (See [Bhagwat Singh v. State of Rajasthan](#) : AIR 1964 SC 444; [Raichand v. Union of India](#) : AIR 1964 SC 1268), and

(ii) provisions conferring jurisdiction on authorities and tribunals other than civil courts (See [Kasturi and Sons v. Salivateswaran](#) : AIR 1958 SC 507; [Upper Doab Sugar Mills v. Shahdara \(Delhi\) Saharanpur Light Railway](#) : AIR 1963 SC 217) have to be strictly construed.

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