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## Legal battle begins for Krishna birthplace

## Mathura court admits plea for removal of Shahi Idgah mosque



In what is likely to be yet another long legal battle after the Ram Janmabhoomi-Babri Masjid title suits, a court in Uttar Pradesh's Mathura on Friday admitted a petition claiming ownership of the entire land on which the Shri Krishna Janmabhoomi is situated and also seeking the removal of the adjoining Shahi Idgah mosque.

The district court issued notices to the UP Sunni Central Waqf Board, Shahi Masjid Idgah Trust and others and posted the matter for further hearing on November 18.

Vishnu Shankar Jain, lawyer for 'Shri Krishna Virajman', said the judge has accepted their contention in support of the plea.

Earlier, the court of the civil judge in Mathura had reject-



Shahi Idgah mosque and Sri Krishna Janmabhoomi temple in Mathura. PTI

ed the petition. Shri Krishna Virajman then challenged the decision in the district court.

The petition seeks the removal of the mosque—which is adjacent to the existing Shri Krishna Janmabhoomi—from the complex and challenges the agreement signed between the Shri Krishna Janmasthan Seva Sansthan and Shahi Idgah mosque management committee in 1968.

The agreement had allowed the mosque to use the land on which it was situated.

Although the Vishwa Hindu Parishad, which spearheaded the Ram Temple movement, had made it clear that the Krishna Janmabhoomi was not on its agenda, the All India Akhara Parishad, the apex body of seers in the country, extended its support to the petition.