

## Communities honour judge

*JUSTICE M Rama Jois (centre) shares a joke with Pranal Sheth CBE and Aubrey Rose CBE of the Indian-Jewish Association at a reception on Monday. A distinguished gathering of leading judicial figures and prominent members of both the Jewish and Asian communities attended the reception to honour Justice Jois, the former Chief Justice of Punjab and Haryana. A world authority on the ancient and modern legal, judicial and constitutional systems of India (on which he has written two volumes), he echoed the comments of other speakers when he said the Jewish and Asian communities had many shared ideals. He also explained how the Indian Constitution had enshrined the freedom of all his country's citizens to aspire to and occupy senior posts in all fields. Mr Rose commented on how many people - including former Prime Minister John Major - were surprised that it had taken so long (until 1996) for an alliance like the Indian-Jewish Association to be formed, such were the similarities between the two communities. The recep-*



*tion was held at the central London chambers of Michael Burton QC and attended by Judge Clive Callman, Justice Dyson, Justice Gavin Lightman, Nigel Lithman QC, Dr Gautam Sen of the London School of Economics, Michael Whine and Neville Nagler of the Board of Deputies of British Jews and many other talented members of the legal profession and both communities.*