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2005 Amendment to Hindu Succession Act Marginalized Mothers and Widows, Madras High Court Rules

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In a notable ruling, the Madras High Court recently highlighted a critical oversight in the 2005 amendment to the Hindu Succession Act, which, while granting daughters coparcenary rights in ancestral property, inadvertently reduced the share of mothers and widows. The court's observations came while granting a second appeal filed by two women, Vasumathi and Malathi, who were denied an equal share in their ancestral property by their father and brothers....

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