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Bombay High Court Denies Chhath Puja Permission at Girgaum Chowpatty, Stresses Constitutional Limits on Religious Freedom

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The Bombay High Court has declined to grant urgent permission for organising Chhath Puja celebrations at Mumbai's Girgaum Chowpatty on November 15 and 16, observing that the right to practise religion is not absolute and must operate within constitutional safeguards concerning public order, morality and health. A vacation bench comprising Justices Advait M Sethna and Ranjitsinha Raja Bhonsale was hearing a petition filed by the Mithila Chhath Puja Sangh...

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