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Delhi High Court Ends ASI's 65-Year Age Bar for Photographers at Taj Mahal and Protected Monuments

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Photographers who have spent decades capturing visitors at the Taj Mahal and other centrally protected monuments will no longer face automatic retirement upon turning 65. The Delhi High Court has quashed the Archaeological Survey of India's (ASI) age restriction, ruling that the policy unfairly interfered with their right to earn a livelihood. A Division Bench comprising Justices Prathiba M Singh and Dinesh Bhatt held that licensed photographers are self-employed professionals...

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