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Delhi High Court Rejects 'First-Come, First-Served' Rule for Ramleela Ground Allotments

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The race to secure public grounds for Ramleela celebrations cannot be decided simply by who applies first, the Delhi High Court has ruled, directing authorities to establish a transparent and fair allocation system for religious and cultural events. Justice Amit Mahajan, in an order dated October 8, held that the first-come, first-served approach is constitutionally unreasonable because it can give some applicants an unfair advantage over others. Although the policy...

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