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Compelling a spouse to abandon their faith and convert to another religion without consent is an act of violence and cruelty, the Madras High Court ruled while upholding the dissolution of an inter-faith marriage. A bench comprising Justices N Seshasayee (retired) and L Victoria Gowri stated that such coercion violates the fundamental right to life and liberty enshrined in Article 21 of the Constitution. The case involved a Hindu woman...

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