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Husband's Paramour Cannot Face Cruelty Charge Meant for His Relatives

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The Karnataka High Court has quashed criminal proceedings against a woman accused of being involved with a married man, holding that his girlfriend or paramour cannot be prosecuted for cruelty to his wife under Section 85 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS).



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