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Kerala High Court Clears Pediatrician, Says 'Bad Touch' Allegation During Exam Not Enough for POCSO Case

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In a case that stirred the uneasy space between clinical duty and perceived misconduct, the Kerala High Court has stepped in to draw a clear boundary: a medical examination conducted with parental consent—especially in their presence—does not invite criminal prosecution under the POCSO Act. The bench, led by Justice G Girish, brought down the curtain on a criminal case against an 80-year-old pediatrician who had been accused of inappropriate conduct...

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