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Kerala High Court Redefines the 'Customer'

Paying for Sex in Brothels Amounts to Inducing Prostitution

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In a sharp departure from the idea that paying clients are passive participants, the Kerala High Court has ruled that individuals who purchase sexual services in brothels can be prosecuted under the Immoral Traffic (Prevention) Act, 1956.



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