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Legal Safeguard or Tool of Misuse? Supreme Court Flags Rising Exploitation of Section 498A IPC

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The Supreme Court, while quashing a domestic cruelty case against a husband and his family, has once again highlighted concerns over the misuse of Section 498A of the Indian Penal Code. This provision, initially introduced to protect women from cruelty within their marital homes, has increasingly become a flashpoint in matrimonial disputes. The bench of Justices B.V. Nagarathna and N. Kotiswar Singh observed a troubling trend where allegations under Section...

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