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Madras High Court Clarifies Plea Bargaining Scope for Non-Gender Offences Against Women

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In a significant ruling, the Madras High Court has clarified that the bar on plea bargaining for offences against women, as outlined in the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, is limited to gender-centric crimes such as sexual assault, harassment, or marriage-related offences. Non-gender offences committed against women, however, are eligible for plea bargaining. Justice G Jayachandran, in an order dated August 7, emphasized that the term "offences against women" under...



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