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The Supreme Court has invoked its extraordinary powers under Article 142 of the Constitution to set aside a conviction under the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act, taking into account a series of developments that unfolded long after the criminal proceedings began. A Bench of Justices J.K. Maheshwari and Atul S. Chandurkar allowed the appeal of a man who had earlier been convicted under the POCSO Act and...

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