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In a ruling that draws a hard line against collective violence, the Supreme Court has reaffirmed that when a group of men act with a shared intention to sexually assault a woman, the law does not require each one of them to physically penetrate her for all to be held guilty of gang rape. The judgment came in a grim case from Madhya Pradesh, where a woman was abducted in...

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