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Supreme Court Rules Out State-Based Residency Claims

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In a landmark ruling, the Supreme Court has clarified that every Indian citizen holds a singular domicile—the domicile of India—rejecting the notion of state or provincial domicile within the country's legal framework. The Court made this declaration while striking down residence-based reservations in postgraduate medical admissions, deeming them unconstitutional. The bench, comprising Justices Hrishikesh Roy, Sudhanshu Dhulia, and SVN Bhatti, emphasized that the...

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