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SC Erases POCSO Case Says Broken Promises Aren't Crimes if Consent Was Real

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In a judgment that carves a fine line between law and lived experience, the Supreme Court has stepped in to quash a POCSO case against a man accused of rape based on a failed promise of marriage — ruling that a consensual relationship, even if premised on such a promise, doesn't automatically amount to criminality. The top court, led by Justices Sudhanshu Dhulia and Aravind Kumar, made it clear: not...

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