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Supreme Court Blocks Service Tax on Lottery Distributors, Upholds Sikkim Ruling

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In a significant ruling, the Supreme Court has rejected the Union Government's appeal, affirming that lottery distributors are not liable to pay service tax. The judgment upholds a previous decision by the Sikkim High Court, which declared a provision of the Finance Act, 2010, unconstitutional. The dispute revolved around clause (zzzzn) of Section 65(105) of the Finance Act, 1994, which sought to classify activities related to the promotion, marketing, and...

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