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Supreme Court Cancels Bail for Karnataka IPS Officer Accused in Lokayukta Extortion Case

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The Supreme Court has withdrawn anticipatory bail granted to IPS officer Srinath Joshi Mahadev, who is facing allegations of involvement in an extortion racket linked to the Karnataka Lokayukta Police. The officer has been directed to surrender within three weeks. While overturning the Karnataka High Court's decision, a Bench comprising Justices Sanjay Kumar and Sanjeev Sachdeva pointed to what it described as a striking contradiction: an officer serving in an...

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