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Supreme Court Criticizes Post-Chargesheet Arrests as Illogical and Unnecessary

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In a sharp critique of police practices, the Supreme Court denounced the arrest of individuals after the filing of a chargesheet and the court's cognizance of it, particularly when no arrest was made during the investigation. This practice, reportedly prevalent in Uttar Pradesh, was described as "unusual" and lacking justification by the Court. A bench comprising Justices JB Pardiwala and R Mahadevan observed, "The notion of arresting someone post-investigation..."

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