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Supreme Court Declares Delayed Executions a Violation of Human Dignity

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The Supreme Court has ruled that excessive delays in executing death sentences, when caused by circumstances beyond the convict's control, must result in the commutation of the death penalty to life imprisonment. The decision reinforces the constitutional protection of human dignity under Article 21, highlighting the psychological and physical toll of prolonged uncertainty on death row. The Court stated unequivocally that the right to life and dignity does not cease...

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