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Supreme Court Halts Refund of Water Cess

Himachal Pradesh's Legal Battle

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In a legal saga unfolding in Himachal Pradesh, the Supreme Court recently intervened by staying a directive from the Himachal Pradesh High Court, which ordered the State government to refund water cess collected from hydropower generation companies. The directive in question was a component of a larger judgment by the Himachal Pradesh High Court, which nullified the Himachal Pradesh Water Cess on Hydropower Generation Act of 2023. While the State...

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