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Supreme Court Slams High Court's Two-Month Bail Limit for Undertrial Held Since 2022

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In a scathing rebuke, the Supreme Court underscored the fundamental right to a speedy trial, chastising the Orissa High Court for its recent bail order. The petitioner, held since May 2022 on cannabis-related charges under the NDPS Act, was granted only two months of bail despite the trial's slow progress—merely one witness examined so far. Justices JB Pardiwala and Ujjal Bhuyan, presiding over a vacation bench, criticized the High Court's...

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