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Supreme Court Strikes Down High Court's Compensation Order in Bail Case

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The Supreme Court has reaffirmed that courts cannot grant compensation in bail hearings, emphasizing that the jurisdiction under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure (CrPC) is strictly limited to granting or denying bail. A bench comprising Justices Sanjay Karol and Manmohan set aside an Allahabad High Court ruling that had ordered the Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB) to pay INR5 lakh as compensation to an accused who was detained...

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