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Complaints Against Public Servants Must Clear BNSS Safeguards

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The Supreme Court has drawn a firm procedural line on how complaints against public servants are to be brought under the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS). A Magistrate, the Court said, cannot entertain a complaint under Section 175(4) unless the complainant first satisfies the conditions laid down in Section 175(3).

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