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Consider Early Release for Eligible Inmates Without Applications

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The Supreme Court has issued directives requiring state governments and union territories to proactively review cases for the premature release of convicts under existing remission policies, even if they have not applied for it. A bench of Justices Abhay S. Oka and Augustine George Masih emphasized that if a government has a remission policy, it must automatically evaluate all eligible prisoners instead of waiting for formal applications. Denying consideration solely...

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