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Three Hotel Visits, No Deception

Supreme Court Throws Out Rape Case as Consent Proven

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In a case that stirred questions around consent, coercion, and promises of marriage, the Supreme Court has quashed rape charges against a man accused of luring a woman into sex under false pretenses. The Court ruled that the woman's repeated visits to a hotel with the man—on three separate occasions—reflected voluntary participation, not deception. The bench, led by Justices Sudhanshu Dhulia and K. Vinod Chandran, found no credible evidence that...

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