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Kerala High Court Seizes Ship in INR9,531 Crore Pollution Fallout

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In a dramatic maritime twist, the Kerala High Court has ordered the conditional arrest of the cargo vessel MSC Akiteta II, currently docked at Vizhinjam Port, after the State sought staggering compensation for environmental and economic devastation linked to the sinking of its sister ship, MSC Elsa-3. The interim order came in response to an admiralty suit filed by the Kerala government, demanding INR9,531.11 crore in damages. Justice MA Abdul...

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