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Supreme Court Upholds Strict Punishment for Accomplices in Assault Case

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The Supreme Court of India has ruled that when individuals act with a common intention during an offense, their punishment cannot be reduced merely because one participant caused less severe injuries than others. This landmark judgment reinforces the principle of shared accountability under Section 34 of the Indian Penal Code (IPC). The case arose from an appeal by the State of Karnataka, challenging a High Court decision to downgrade the...

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