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BCI Cracks Down on Law Schools Over 'Bogus' Online LL.M. Programs

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The Bar Council of India (BCI) has drawn a sharp line in the sand—and some of the country's top law institutions have crossed it. In a move that could shake the pillars of India's legal education landscape, the BCI is preparing to slap show-cause notices on elite universities for offering LL.M. and similar postgraduate law degrees via online, hybrid, or distance modes—without its nod. Squarely in BCI's sights: National Law...

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