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Court Flags the Silence Around Domestic Abuse

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A stark truth about Indian society came into focus this week as the Bombay High Court refused pre-arrest protection to a pair of parents-in-law accused of sustained cruelty, dowry harassment and violent abuse. The ruling underscored a painful paradox: many women endure extreme domestic violence yet continue to fight to keep their marriages intact, often at grave personal cost.

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