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Court acquits man in false rape case

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A Delhi court has acquitted a man of the charge of raping a woman in his car after intoxicating her, as the alleged victim confessed lodging a false rape case under pressure from her parents.

Additional Sessions Judge Praveen Kumar let off the man, a west Delhi resident, of charges of rape and poisoning, saying the alleged victim, being the "star witness", has not supported the prosecution case at all.

"She has deposed that she came to know the accused through social networking. They became friends. They wanted to marry but her parents were against the marriage due to difference in their castes.

"She has further deposed that she lodged false complaint of rape as she was pressurised by her parents. She has categorically deposed that accused neither administered any intoxicating substance in the cold drink nor raped her," the judge said.

According to the prosecution, a complaint was lodged by the woman that late in night of July 14, 2015, the accused had offered the woman a sedative-laced drink in his car after which he allegedly raped her.—
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