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WP No. 21159 of 2026

IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU

DATED THIS THE 22ND DAY OF JULY, 2026

BEFORE

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SURAJ GOVINDARAJ

WRIT PETITION NO. 21159 OF 2026 (GM-POLICE)

BETWEEN:

MRS. RAJESHWARI VENKADESH
W/O MANJUNATHA R
AGED ABOUT 35 YEARS
R/AT BANTAHALLI
DODINAYAKANADODDI
KOLAR DISTRICT
KARNATAKA - 563 139
(WIFE OF CONVICT PRISONER
MANJUNATH (CTP NO.12154)

...PETITIONER

(BY SRI GIRISH R., ADVOCATE)

AND:

1. THE STATE OF KARNATAKA
BY ITS ADDITIONAL CHIEF SECRETARY
DEPARTMENT OF HOME AND PRISON
VIDHANA SOUDHA
BENGALURU - 560 001.
2. CHIEF SUPERINTENDENT
CENTRAL PRISON
PARAPPANA AGRAHARA
BENGALURU - 560 100.
3. DIRECTOR GENERAL OF
POLICE AND INSPECTOR
GENERAL OF PRISON AND
CORRECTIONAL SERVICES

NO.04, SESHADRI ROAD

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by SHWETHA
RAGHAVENDRA
Location: HIGH
COURT OF
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BENGALURU - 560 009.

...RESPONDENTS

(BY SRI GIRISH R., ADVOCATE)

THIS WRIT PETITION IS FILED UNDER ARTICLES 226 AND 227 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA PRAYING TO SET ASIDE THE PAROLE REJECTION ENDORSEMENT DATED 12-06-2026 BEARING REFERENCE NO.BCP/J3/1428/2026 VIDE ANNEXURE-A AND CONSEQUENTLY AND ETC.,

THIS PETITION, COMING ON FOR FRESH MATTERS, THIS DAY, ORDER WAS MADE THEREIN AS UNDER:

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SURAJ GOVINDARAJ

ORAL ORDER

1. The petitioner – wife of the detenu – Manjunatha (CTP No.12154) is before this Court seeking for the following reliefs:

a) Set aside the Parole rejection endorsement dated 12-06-2026 bearing reference No.BCP/J3/1428/2026 vide Annexure-A and consequently.

b) Pass order/direction by the nature of writ of mandamus to the Respondent No.02 to release the husband of the Petitioner i.e. Manjunath bearing CTP NO.12154 on General Parole for the period of 90 days.

c) Also grant any additional order/direction that this Hon'ble court may deem fit to grant under the facts and circumstances in the interest of justice and Equity.



2. The detenu had been convicted in S.C.No.162/2019 for offence under Section 302 IPC by I Additional District and Sessions Court, Kolar and sentenced on 11.01.2021 with the highest of the sentence being imprisonment for life. The detenu has served a period of 5 years 4 months 4 days of imprisonment as on 31.07.2024 and his conduct in jail is said to be satisfactory. The detenu having made an application for general parole, the same came to be rejected. Hence, the petitioner is before this Court seeking for the aforesaid reliefs.
3. The learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the presence of the detenu is required for agricultural operations of ploughing, sowing etc.
4. In that view of the matter, taking into consideration the conduct of the detenu has been satisfactory while incarcerated, there is no particular complaint against the detenu, this Court passes the following:

ORDER

- i) The Writ Petition is ***allowed***.
- ii) The concerned respondent is directed to release the detenu - Manjunatha (CTP No.12154) on parole for a period of 30 days commencing



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from 03.08.2026, subject to the following conditions:

- a) The detenu shall mark his attendance in the jurisdictional Police Station, weekly once throughout the period of his parole and it would be the responsibility of the jurisdictional Police to take them to gaol, in the event, the detenu would evade going back to the gaol, after the expiry of the period of parole.
- b) Respondent No.1- State of Karnataka shall stipulate strict conditions as are usually stipulated to ensure return of the detenu to the gaol and that he shall not commit any other offence during the period of parole.
- iii) The Registry is directed to communicate the order to the prison authority for its immediate execution.
- iv) The petitioner and family members of the detenu to comply with all other formalities before the date fixed for release.

Sd/-
(SURAJ GOVINDARAJ)
JUDGE