

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

CRWP No.1740 of 2013

Date of decision: 25th February, 2016

Piara Singh

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and another

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE FATEH DEEP SINGH

1. Whether Reporters of Local Newspapers may be allowed to see the judgment?
2. Whether to be referred to the Reporters or not?
3. Whether the judgment should be reported in the Digest?

Present: Mr. Nandan Jindal, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Gurveer Sidhu, Asstt. Advocate General, Punjab
for the respondents.

FATEH DEEP SINGH, J. (ORAL)

Heard.

In the light of contentions of the two sides, since the case of the petitioner as per the policy of the respondent/State (Annexure P1) falls within the ambit of heinous crimes for being found guilty of murder of a child below 14 years of age and the petitioner himself being adult and thus, under this policy out of the actual sentence of 12 years the petitioner has already undergone actual imprisonment for a period of more than 15 years and thus, in the light of the own stand of the State that it was vide orders dated 17.07.2013 the

respondent/State had declined the prayer of the petitioner prisoner Piara Singh for his premature release and that as per the policy of the State the same can only be considered after two years of the same, and thus, the petitioner qualifies this parameter so laid down in the policy.

Mr. Gurveer Sidhu, Asstt. Advocate General, Punjab has made a statement that the respondent/State would take up the case for premature release of the petitioner with the competent authority and the same shall be disposed off within a period of one month from today.

In view of the undertaking given by learned State counsel, the petition stands disposed off. However, in case the respondent/State fails to abide by its undertaking, the petitioner reserves his right to invoke the jurisdiction of this Court.

(FATEH DEEP SINGH)
JUDGE

February 25, 2016
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