

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

**Criminal Writ Petition No.1296 of 2016 (O&M)
Date of Decision : 17th October, 2016**

Kanwal Jeet Singh

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AJAY TEWARI

Present : Mr. Jaspreet Singh Brar, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Amarjit Kaur Khurana, Addl. A.G., Punjab
for the respondent(s)-State.

AJAY TEWARI, J. (Oral)

Sh. R.K.Bakshi, SSP, Ferozepur, is present in person pursuant to the last order. He states that notice of motion was issued on 30.09.2016 which was received in the office of Advocate General, Punjab, who had sent a mail on 03.10.2016, as 1st and 2nd October, 2016 were holidays. However, no copy of the petition had been sent and that is why the official who had come on 06.10.2016 had come only for collecting copy of the paper book.

Explanation is accepted.

I put to learned State counsel as to how any assistance could be expected from the officer in the field in view of this situation. She has fairly accepted that there is a shortcoming in the functioning of the office of Advocate General, Punjab and undertakes that in future, in cases involving habeas corpus, it will be ensured that a copy of the petition is also

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forwarded either by fax or by any other manner alongwith the information to the field officers so that they know exactly what the case is and are able to provide effective assistance. She has further pointed out that during that time, detainee Manjinder Kaur was recovered and now the petitioner and the detainee are living together.

The petitioner and the detainee are present in person before this Court and have accepted these facts.

Learned counsel for the petitioner states that in view of this development, the instant petition has been rendered infructuous.

Ordered accordingly.

A copy of this order be forwarded to Advocates General, Punjab, Haryana and the Senior Standing Counsel for UT Administration to ensure that the necessary arrangements are made in their offices as has been undertaken by the learned State counsel, Punjab.

17th October, 2016
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(AJAY TEWARI)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes/No

Whether Reportable :

Yes/No