

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA

AT CHANDIGARH

Criminal Writ Petition No.384 of 2016

Date of Decision: 21.03.2016

Vakil Singh

...Petitioner(s)

Versus

The State of Haryana and others

...Respondent(s)

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARI PAL VERMA

- 1. Whether reporters of local newspapers may be allowed to see judgment?*
- 2. To be referred to reporters or not?*
- 3. Whether the judgment should be reported in the Digest?*

Present:- Mr. H.S. Jaswal, Advocate
for the petitioner.

HARI PAL VERMA, J.

Through the instant petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, the petitioner has sought issuance of directions to respondents no.1 to 3 to consider the his application dated 10.1.2016 for releasing him pre-maturely.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner was involved in FIR No.89 dated 16.7.1994 for commission of offence punishable under Sections 302 read with Sections 34, 212, 449, 120-B IPC and Section 25 of the Arms Act, registered at Police Station, Sadar Ambala, District Ambala. He further submits that the petitioner was tried, convicted and sentenced to undergo rigorous imprisonment for life under

Sections 302 read with Section 34 IPC vide judgment and order

dated 4.2.1997 passed by learned Additional Sessions Judge-I, Ambala and appeal i.e. CRA-D-295-DB-1997 against the aforesaid judgment and order was also dismissed by this Court on 25.5.2007.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that as against the awarded sentence for life, the petitioner has already undergone 14 years, 4 months and 11 days as on 4.1.2016 and therefore, his case is required to be considered for pre-mature release. The petitioner has submitted a representation dated 10.1.2016 (Annexure P-4) through his wife to Superintendent, Central Jail, Ambala, respondent no.3, seeking his pre-mature release but no decision is being taken thereon.

Notice of motion.

Mr. Sulinder Kumar, AAG, Haryana accepts notice.

Let requisite number of copies of this petition be supplied to learned State counsel during the course of the day.

Without commenting upon the contents/merits of this petition, as projected in representation dated 10.1.2016 (Annexure P-4), the respondents are directed to consider and decide the representation made on behalf of the petitioner for his pre-mature release, preferably within a period of three months from today under intimation to the petitioner.

The petition is disposed of.

March 21, 2016
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(HARI PAL VERMA)
JUDGE