

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

Criminal Writ Petitioner No.478 of 2016

Decided on:-10.05.2016.

JaichandPetitioner

Versus

State of HaryanaRespondent

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.Manish Bansal, DAG, Haryana, for the State.

HARI PAL VERMA, J. (ORAL)

The present petition emanates from a representation received from Jaichand son of Ramsamujh, convict in District Jail Neemka, District Faridabad,

In the representation, the petitioner-convict submits that he is undergoing life imprisonment and his documents relating to 'Naksha' was sent from the jail, however, no information was received by the convict in respect of his release till date.

On notice of motion having been issued, learned counsel for the State has filed reply on behalf of respondent-State of Haryana, by way of affidavit of Jagjit Singh, Inspector General of

Prisons, O/o the Director General of Prisons, Haryana, Sector-14, Panckula. The same is taken on record.

Learned counsel for the State, while referring to the reply, states that the petitioner is entitled to be released prematurely in view of the policy dated 04.02.1993, which was prevalent at the time of his conviction. Relevant para Nos. 2 and 3 of the reply read as under:-

2. That the premature release case of the petitioner falls under para 2(b) of the policy dated 04.02.1993, which was prevalent at the time of their conviction. As per this para, petitioner is required to undergo 10 years of actual sentence including undertrial period and 14 years of total sentence including remissions after deduction of parole period. Petitioner has completed his requisite sentence as per policy and his case is to be considered by the State Level Committee for his premature release.

3. That the case for premature release of the petitioner has been prepared for placing before the State Level Committee for its consideration. The meeting of the State Level Committee likely to be held shortly as per the convenience of the Chief Minister being Chairman of the State Level Committee.

He has further submitted that the meeting of the State Level Committee is going to be convened shortly as per the convenience of the Chief Minister, being Chairman of the said Committee.

I have heard learned counsel for the parties.

Considering the stand taken by respondent-State of Haryana, present petition is disposed of with a direction to the respondent-authorities to convene State Level Committee and to consider and decide the case of the petitioner for premature

release within two months from today, in accordance with the policy dated 04.02.1993.

May 10, 2016
Anjal

(HARI PAL VERMA)
JUDGE