

IN THE HIGH COURT FOR THE STATES OF PUNJAB AND
HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

CWP No.8355 of 2018
Date of Decision: 06.04.2018

Manoj Kumar

..... Petitioner

Vs.

State of Haryana and others

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE RAKESH KUMAR JAIN

Present: - Mr.Randeep S. Dhull, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr.Saurabh Mohunta, DAG, Haryana.

RAKESH KUMAR JAIN, J. (ORAL)

Learned counsel for the State has filed reply in Court today and a copy of the same is given to counsel for the petitioner.

The petitioner has prayed for extension of furlough period for performing the last rights of his father, who has unfortunately died on 28.3.2018 and also for getting treatment as he is allegedly suffering from schizophrenia.

The respondents/State has mentioned in the reply that the petitioner has been released for a period of 2 weeks furlough from the jail w.e.f. 28.3.2018 and has to surrender before the Jail authorities on 12.4.2018.

I have heard learned counsel for the parties and perused the record.

The petitioner is a life convict and lodged in District Jail, Kaithal. He is on furlough of two weeks which is going to expire on

12.4.2018. The father of the petitioner is stated to have died on 28.3.2018 and now the petitioner has prayed for a furlough of another two weeks for performing the last rights of his father. Insofar as the treatment of the petitioner for schizophrenia is concerned, the respondents/State has placed on record the report of the Medical Officer, Jail Hospital, Kaithal in which he has observed that the petitioner has been diagnosed with pterygium in left eye. According to the respondents/State it is a sort of conjunctivitis of eye and has nothing to do with the ailment of schizophrenia.

Be that as it may, since the father of the petitioner has expired and a son has a pious duty to perform his last rights, I am of the considered opinion that the petitioner deserves for furlough for another two weeks which would start from 12.4.2018. The extended period shall be on the same bail bonds on which the petitioner has already released. It is made clear that the petitioner shall surrender himself to the jail authorities on the date on which the period of furlough extended by this Court would come to an end.

In view of the above, the present petition is hereby allowed.

(RAKESH KUMAR JAIN)
JUDGE

06.04.2018

Vivek

Whether speaking /reasoned : *Yes/No*

Whether Reportable : *Yes/No*