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

CRWP-8447-2020

Decided on: 10th December, 2020

Satnam Singh

.....Petitioner

VERSUS

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

**CORAM: JUSTICE S. MURALIDHAR
JUSTICE AVNEESH JHINGAN**

Present: Ms. G.K. Mann, Advocate for the Petitioner.

Mr. H.S. Grewal, Additional Advocate General, Punjab.

Dr. S. Muralidhar, J

1. The Petitioner challenges an order dated 24th September, 2020 of the District Magistrate, Ludhiana rejecting his application for parole for a period of 8 weeks.

2. The Petitioner had earlier filed CRWP No. 6906 of 2020 in this Court praying that his application for parole had not been decided by the authorities. By an order dated 9th September, 2020, the said petition was disposed of, directing the Respondent to send the police report *qua* the Petitioner within a week's period and decide the parole application immediately thereafter.

3. It appears that thereafter the above impugned order dated 24th September, 2020 came to be passed by the the District Magistrate, Ludhiana rejecting the application, essentially on the ground that there was an apprehension of danger to the life and security of the complainant.

4. A perusal of the impugned order shows that the main ground on which parole was sought viz., the ill health of the aunt and uncle of the Petitioner and meeting his family, has not been considered.

5. In the circumstances, the impugned order dated 24th September, 2020 is set aside with a direction to the Respondents to again consider the Petitioner's application by dealing with all the grounds on which the Petitioner sought parole, in accordance with law. A fresh order in that regard be passed, uninfluenced by the above impugned order set aside by the Court, within four weeks, but in any event, not later than 8th January, 2021. The same be communicated to the Petitioner not later than 12th January, 2021.

6. If the Petitioner is aggrieved by such order, it will be open to the Petitioner to avail appropriate remedies in accordance with law.

7. The petition is disposed of in the above terms.

(S. MURALIDHAR)
JUDGE

(AVNEESH JHINGAN)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned Yes/No
Whether reportable Yes/No