

201-7732

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CWP No.7732 of 2021
Date of Decision:26.07.2021

Jagdeep Singh @ Jaggu Bhagwanpuria

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE LISA GILL

Present: - Mr.Adarsh Priyadarshi, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr.Sahil Sharma, DAG, Punjab.

1. Whether Reporters of local papers may be allowed to see the judgment?
2. To be referred to the reporters or not?
3. Whether the judgment should be reported in the digest?

LISA GILL. J.

This matter is being taken up for hearing through video conferencing due to the outbreak of pandemic, COVID-19.

Petitioner, who is presently confined at Central Jail, Bathinda, seeks a direction to the respondents to refrain from confining the petitioner and other similarly placed prisoners in what he terms as 'solitary confinement' and to provide petitioner and others with all facilities that are available to prisoners under the Prisons Act and Punjab Prison Manual.

Learned counsel for the petitioner and respondents/State are *ad idem* that this matter is squarely covered by decision dated 19.7.2021 in CWP

No.7882 of 2021 and other connected matters as petitioner is identically situated as the petitioners' in above said writ petitions. 'Quasi solitary confinement' of the prisoners has been held to be illegal and violative of the rights guaranteed under Article 21 of the Constitution vide detailed order dated 01.07.2021 passed in above said writ petitions. The said writ petitions were ultimately decided on 19.7.2021 in terms of order dated 1.7.2021.

Keeping in view the facts and circumstances as above, this writ petition is disposed of in terms of orders dated 1.7.2021 and 19.7.2021 passed in CWP No.7882 of 2021 and other connected matters.

(LISA GILL)
JUDGE

26.07.2021

Vivek

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