

**In the High Court for the States of Punjab and Haryana
At Chandigarh**

CRM-M-39517-2021 (O&M)
Date of Decision:-27.9.2021

Sonu ... Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana ... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE GURVINDER SINGH GILL

Present:- Mr. Suvir Sidhu, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Rajiv Sidhu, DAG, Haryana.

(proceedings conducted through video conferencing)

GURVINDER SINGH GILL, J.(Oral)

1. Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the case of petitioner is covered under the policy for release of under-trials on bail on account of spread of pandemic COVID-19 as framed by the High Powered Committee under the Chairmanship of Executive Chairman, Punjab State Legal Services Authority. Learned counsel, in this regard, refers to the minutes dated 16.8.2021 of the High Powered Committee annexed as Annexure P-3.
2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that he would be satisfied in case a direction is issued to the Trial Court concerned to consider his case in accordance with the said policy/minutes of the High Powered Committee as he fulfills all the criteria and falls within the parameters as framed by the

High Powered Committee and that he may be permitted to withdraw the present petition.

3. In view of the aforesaid submission, the petitioner is permitted to withdraw the instant petition with liberty to apply afresh to the Trial Court concerned. In case the petitioner applies afresh to the Trial Court concerned, the Trial Court shall consider the case of the petitioner in light of the directions issued by High Powered Committee under the Chairmanship of Executive Chairman, Punjab State Legal Services Authority regarding release of prisoners on account of spread of pandemic COVID-19 or under any other applicable notification pertaining to such release on account of the pandemic. It is hoped that such application if filed, shall be disposed of expeditiously in accordance with law.

27.9.2021

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**(Gurvinder Singh Gill)
Judge**

Whether speaking /reasoned Yes / No

Whether Reportable Yes / No