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

CRWP-9380-2021

Date of decision : 30.03.2022

Prince Pal Singh @ Vicky

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIKAS BAHL

Present: Ms. B.P.K. Brar, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Rana Harjasdeep Singh, DAG, Punjab.

VIKAS BAHL, J. (ORAL)

Reply on behalf of the respondents has been filed today in the Court. The same is taken on record.

This is a Criminal Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for setting aside the impugned order dated 19.11.2020 (Annexure P-2) rejecting the premature release case of the petitioner.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that as per the reply submitted on behalf of the respondents, which has been filed by Surinder Singh, Superintendent, Central Jail, Amritsar, it has been stated in para 8 of reply on merits that after passing of the impugned order, respondent No.1 vide their office letter Memo dated 24.02.2021 again demanded the premature release case of the petitioner alongwith other pending premature release cases for reconsideration in light of the decision taken in meeting held on 07.01.2021. The said letter dated 24.02.2021 has been annexed as Annexure R-6/T with the reply and the premature release case of the petitioner has been

forwarded to the Government by respondent No.2 vide letter dated 09.03.2021 and the fresh jail roll of the petitioner was forwarded to the Government vide letter dated 04.06.2021 and the same is stated to be still under active consideration of the Government.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that in view of the said subsequent events, the petitioner would be satisfied if a final decision with respect to the request which has been subsequently sent after passing of the impugned order is taken by the competent authority within a period of two months from the date of receipt of certified copy of the present order as expeditiously as possible.

Learned State Counsel has submitted that as per the reply filed on behalf of the respondents, the case of the petitioner has been forwarded and the decision in the said regard would be taken by the competent authority within a period of two months from the date of receipt of certified copy of the present order.

Keeping in view the abovesaid facts and circumstances, the present Criminal Writ Petition is disposed of with directions to the official respondents to take a final decision with respect to the case of the petitioner which is being reconsidered in the light of the decision taken in the meeting held on 07.01.2021 as stated in para 8 of the reply filed by Surinder Singh, Superintendent, Central Jail, Amritsar as expeditiously as possible preferably within a period of two months from the date of receipt of certified copy of the present order.

30.03.2022*Pawan***(VIKAS BAHL)
JUDGE**

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