

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

1. CRWP-1951-2019 (O&M)

Sukhpal Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

2. CRWP-296-2020 (O&M)

Bihla Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

Date of decision: 11.05.2022

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN

Present:- Mrs. Bhupinder Pal Kaur Brar, Advocate
for the petitioner in CRWP-1951-2019.

Mr. Vinod Bhardwaj, Advocate
for the petitioner in CRWP-296-2020.

Mr. Joginder Pal Ratra, DAG, Punjab.

ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN, J. (Oral)

This common order shall dispose of above noted two petitions
as they seek similar relief, however, the facts are noticed from the first

petition.

Prayer in these petitions is for issuance of directions to official respondents to reconsider and decide the premature release case of the petitioners.

Separate replies, by way of the affidavit of the Additional Director General of Police (Prisons), Punjab have been filed in both the cases.

Learned State counsel submits that the office of the ADGP has already recommended the case of petitioner to Secretary, in which it is stated that the premature case of the petitioner was initiated by the office of the Superintendent, Central Jail, Shri Goindwal for seeking verification from the District Magistrate, Sangrur, vide letter dated 07.04.2022 and on 19.04.2022, the case of the petitioner is forwarded to the Special Chief Secretary, Jails, Govt. of Punjab. It is further stated that the case of the premature release of the petitioners is to be considered in the State Level Committee Meeting under the Chairmanship of Special Chief Secretary, Jails, Punjab and a final decision is to be taken by the office of Govt. of Punjab under Sections 432, 433 Cr.P.C. or by the Governor of Punjab under Article 161 of the Constitution of India.

With regard to petitioner Bihla Singh, it is stated in the respective affidavit that his premature release case has already been sent to the Government for taking final decision.

Learned State counsel further submits that it will take about three months time for the final adjudication by the competent authorities.

Accordingly, these petitions are disposed of with a direction to

Special Chief Secretary, Jails, Punjab to take a final decision on the premature release case of petitioner Sukhpal Singh and Bihal Singh on or before 16.08.2022.

A photocopy of this order be placed on the file of other connected case.

11.05.2022

Waseem Ansari

(ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes/No

Whether reportable

Yes/No