

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH.**

CRWP-4437-2022

Date of Decision:-23.03.2023

Sukhwinder Singh.

.....Petitioner.

Vs.

State of Punjab & Ors.

.....Respondents.

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASJIT SINGH BEDI

Present:- Mr. Varinder Singh Rana, Advocate for the Petitioner.

Ms. Navreet Kaur Barnala, Assistant Advocate General,
Punjab.

JASJIT SINGH BEDI, J.(ORAL)

The prayer in the petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India is for issuance of directions to the respondents to release the petitioner forthwith prematurely as he has completed the requisite sentence as per Policy dated 8.7.1991 (Annexure P-1) and the case of the petitioner has been forwarded on 22.10.2020 to DGP-respondent no.2 for approval.

Notice of motion has been issued pursuant to which a reply dated 07.12.2022 was filed by Mr. Iqbal Singh Brar, Superintendent District Jail, Sri Muktsar Sahib.

Para 7 of the aforesaid reply would reveal that the case for the premature release of the petitioner has been forwarded to ADGP Jails vide letter no.1537-CT dated 22.12.2020. The said office has forwarded the case to the Government of Punjab for passing final orders. However, the government has not yet passed any order regarding the premature release of the petitioner.

In view of the fact that the matter is pending since December 2020 the respondent no.1 shall consider and decide the case for premature release of the petitioner within a period of 02 weeks from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order in light of the directions passed in COCP No.2020-2022 titled as Pawan Kumar Vs. D.K. Tiwari decided on 30.01.2023.

Disposed of.

(JASJIT SINGH BEDI)
JUDGE

March 23, 2023

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