

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

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Criminal Writ Petition No.1167 of 2024

Date of decision :-08.02.2024

Deepak

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana and others

.....Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE NIDHI GUPTA

Present:- Mr. Randeep S. Dhull, Advocate
for the petitioner.

NIDHI GUPTA J. (Oral)

Prayer in the present petition is for issuing direction to the respondent/authority to decide the application of the petitioner dated 14.11.2023 (Annexure P-1), whereby the petitioner is seeking parole for the reasons stated therein.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner was convicted in FIR No.1193 dated 16.10.2015, under Sections 363, 363-A, 376 and 302 IPC, registered at Police Station Chandni Bhag, Panipat, District Panipat and sentenced to life imprisonment. Vide order dated 03.03.2023 passed in CRA-D-55-DB-2017 titled as 'Deepak vs. State of Haryana', the petitioner's appeal against the above-said conviction has also been dismissed by this Court.

Learned counsel submits that on an application made by the petitioner, parole was initiated on 06.1.2023. Thereafter, petitioner had even made a reminder application dated 14.11.2023 (Annexure P-

1), however, no decision thereupon has been taken till date. Learned counsel refers to Section 12 of the Haryana Good Conduct Prisoners (Temporary Release) Act, 2022 and submits that as per the abovesaid provision, it is incumbent upon the authorities to decide the application of the petitioner in a time bound manner.

Notice of motion.

On asking of the Court, Mr. Ravinder Singh Arya, Addl. A.G. Haryana accepts notice on behalf of respondents-State and has no objection in case the present petition is allowed and the authority is directed to decide the application of the petitioner in a time bound manner.

In view of the above, the present petition is being disposed of with a direction to the respondent No.2-Divisional Commissioner, Division Karnal, District Karnal to decide the application of the petitioner dated 14.11.2023 (Annexure P-1) within four weeks from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

February 08, 2024
Vijay Asija

(NIDHI GUPTA)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned Yes / No
Whether Reportable Yes / No