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

CRWP-5327-2023

Date of decision : 15.05.2024

BHARPUR SINGH**...PETITIONER**

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS**...RESPONDENTS****CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KARAMJIT SINGH**

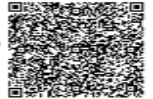
Present : Mr. Ashadveer Singh, Advocate and
Mr. Rajpreet S. Brar, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Inderjit Singh, DAG, Punjab.

KARAMJIT SINGH, J. (ORAL)

1. Learned State counsel has today filed reply on behalf of respondents No.1, 2 and 4 by way of affidavit of Arvinder Pal Singh Bhatti, Superintendent, District Jail, Mansa. The same is taken on record.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is a life convict, seeking premature release on the basis of Policy dated 08.07.1991 of Government of Punjab (Annexure P-1) and that the case of the petitioner is pending before the competent authority since 04.12.2019. It is further submitted that earlier also petitioner filed CRWP-3013-2022 seeking for issuance of directions to the respondents to consider and decide his case of premature release at the earliest and the said petition was disposed by this Court vide order dated 08.04.2022 with a direction to the competent authority to do the needful and to



decide the case of the petitioner seeking grant of premature release within a period of 2 months. Learned counsel for the petitioner further submits that despite issuance of said direction, the State Government failed to take any action in this regard till date.

3. Faced with the aforesaid situation, learned counsel appearing on behalf of the State submits that another two months period may be given to the State to decide the case of the petitioner seeking his premature release.

4. Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner submits that the petitioner will be satisfied if necessary direction is issued to the competent authority to decide the case of the petitioner regarding his premature release in a time bound manner, preferably within a period of one month.

5. In light of the above but without expressing any opinion on merits of the case, the present petition is hereby disposed of with a direction to respondents No. 2 and 3 to consider and decide premature release case of the petitioner, in accordance with law within a period of two months from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this order.

(KARAMJIT SINGH)
JUDGE

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