

2024:PHHC:137679



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

230 CRWP-7475 of 2024  
Date of Decision: 21.10.2024

Ravi Verma ...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and Others ...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANOOP CHITKARA

Present: Mr. Tushar Sabharwal, Advocate  
for Mr. Nandan Jindal, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Akshay Kumar, AAG, Punjab.

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ANOOP CHITKARA, J.

The present Criminal Writ Petition has been filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India read with Section 3(1) ( c) & (d) of the Punjab Good Conduct Prisoners (Temporary Release), Act, 1962, (as amended upto date) for issuance of a writ in the nature of Certiorari quashing the impugned order dated 3.7.2024(Annexure P-2) passed by respondent No.3 whereby the prayer for parole of the petitioner has been declined by saying that there is a threat to the State security if the petitioner came on parole.

2. State counsel submits that petitioner is a hard core criminal and he is not entitled for parole and he refer portion of reply which is reproduce here:

“In addition to the above 2 cases, 8 more case under NDPS Act are registered against the convict Ravi Verma. It is clear from this that the convict is repeatedly committing crimes and he has also been convicted for several crimes. Senior Superintendent of Police, Bathinda has further reported that there may be a threat to state security and maintenance of public order due to the release of the convict on parole”.

3. State counsel further submits that during the pendency of the present petition the State of Punjab has come with a new policy under the subject Temporary release(parole) of prisoners under the Punjab Good Conduct Prisoners (Temporary release) Act, 1962, vide Circular No.15 of 2024, and they are ready to consider petitioner case under that circular.

4. Counsel for the petitioner submits that he has no objection if fresh order qua petitioner prayer is passed.

5. Given above, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to State decide the case of the petitioner in terms of the Circular No.15 of 2024 and order be passed by communicating to the petitioner as well as his family without any delay. All pending applications, if any stand disposed of.

(ANOOP CHITKARA)  
JUDGE

21.10.2024  
Poonam Sharma

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| Whether speaking/reasoned: | Yes |
| Whether reportable:        | No. |