



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

(Sr. No. 111)

CRWP No. 1537 of 2025

Date of decision: 14.02.2025

Ashwani Kumar @ Ashu

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondents

**CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK SIBAL
HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE HARPREET KAUR JEEWAN**

Present : Mr. Brijesh Nandan, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Amit Kumar Goyal, Addl. A. G., Punjab.

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DEEPAK SIBAL, J. (Oral)

(1) At the outset, learned counsel for the petitioner submits that he restricts his prayer to the issuance of directions to respondent No.3 to finally dispose of the petitioner's application which was dispatched vide letter No.140 dated 12.02.2024 by the jail authorities, Central Jail, Kapurthala to respondent No.3 for grant of parole as the same has been pending decision for the last over one year.

(2) Learned State counsel has no objection to the acceptance of the afore alternate prayer made on behalf of the petitioner.

(3) After hearing learned counsel for the parties and going through the record, we find that the decision on the petitioner's application for grant of parole has been unnecessarily delayed by the State which is also against the spirit behind Section 3 of the Punjab Good Conduct Prisoners (Temporary Release) Act, 1962.



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(4) In the light of the above, we dispose of the instant petition with a direction to respondent No.3 to take a final decision on the petitioner's application dated 12.02.2024 filed by him for the grant of parole within two weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order, in accordance with law.

**(DEEPAK SIBAL)
JUDGE**

14.02.2025

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**(HARPREET KAUR JEEWAN)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes / No

Whether reportable : Yes / No