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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**

+ **W.P.(CRL) 3451/2025**

VIKAS YADAV

.....Petitioner

Through: Mr. Jitender Sethi, Sr. Adv. with Mr. Hemendra Jailiya, Mr. Shobit Dimri, Mr. Divyam Gaur, Mr. Keshav Sethi, Advs.

versus

THE STATE NCT OF DELHI AND ORS.Respondents

Through: Mr. Rajesh Mahajan, SPP with Mr. Ranjeeb Kamal Bora, Ms. Jyoti Babbar, Advs. for R-1 and 2.
Ms. Vrinda Bhandari, Ms. Pragya Barsaiyan, Advs. for R-3.

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HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAVINDER DUDEJA

ORDER

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17.10.2025

CRL.M.A. 31389/2025 (exemption from filing certified copies etc.)

Allowed, subject to all just exceptions.

The application stands disposed-of.

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1. This is a writ petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India read with Section 528 BNSS seeking grant of 1st spell of furlough for a period of 21 days, filed on behalf of the petitioner Vikas Yadav.
2. Petitioner had been convicted and sentenced under Section 302/201/364/34 IPC by the trial court and this Court notified the sentence to



a fixed term of 25 years without remission and an SLP against the said order has been dismissed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court.

3. Mr. Sethi, learned senior counsel who appears for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has moved an application dated 22.09.2025 seeking furlough before the Superintendent Central Jail-03 Tihar but no decision has been taken on such application.

4. As per Rule 1229 of the Delhi Prison Rules, 2018, the application of the furlough has to be decided by the competent authority within period of 04 weeks.

5. Learned counsel who appears for respondent no. 1 submits that in all likelihood, the decision on the application would be taken within a period of 10 working days.

6. Ms. Vrinda Bhandari, learned counsel who appears for respondent no. 3 states that she wants to place her reply before the competent authority in view of the Division Bench judgement of this Court dated 06.02.2015 in Crl. A 910/2008. She is at liberty to do so.

7. In view of the statement made on behalf of the State, the petition is disposed of with directions to dispose of the application of the petitioner for grant of furlough within a period of 10 working days and on failure, the petitioner would be at liberty to take further action as per law.

RAVINDER DUDEJA, J

OCTOBER 17, 2025/Gs/na