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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 23-03-2026

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THE HON'BLE DR.JUSTICE ANITA SUMANTH

AND

THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE SUNDER MOHAN

WP CrI. No. 618 of 2026

S.Senthilkumar
S/o.Subramani,
Life Convict,
PID No.24505,
Central Prison,
Coimbatore - 18.

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. The Additional Chief Secretary to Government,
Home, Prohibition and Excise Department,
Secretariat,
Chennai - 600 009.
2. The Director General of Police and
Director General of Prisons and Correctional
Service,
Whannels Road,
Egmore,
Chennai - 600 008.
3. The Superintendent of Prisons,
Central Prison,
Coimbatore - 18.

..Respondent(s)

Prayer: Writ petition filed under Article 226 of Constitution of India for issuance of Writ of Mandamus directing the respondent No.1, consider the



petitioner's representation dated 02.01.2026 and constitute the advisory Board for his premature release, within a reasonable period, and thus render justice.

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For Petitioner(s): Mr.P.Pugalenthi

For Respondent(s): Mr.R.Muniyapparaj
Additional Public Prosecutor
Assisted By
Mr. M. Sylvester John

ORDER

(Order of the Court was made by Dr.Anita Sumanth J.)

This Writ Petition is filed by a life convict who has admittedly served 18 years and 8 months in Coimbatore Central Prison. The initial sentence delivered on 10.06.2008 sentencing him to death was reduced to life imprisonment in CrI.A.No.487 of 2008 vide judgment dated 14.11.2008. He seeks a mandamus directing the authorities to consider his representation filed on 02.01.2026 for constitution of Advisory Board to consider his plea for premature release.

2. Mr.Muniyapparaj, learned Additional Public Prosecutor who accepts notice for the respondents, on instructions, makes preliminary submissions outlining the response of the authorities.

3. Since the prayer is for a mandamus simplicitor and the learned Additional Public Prosecutor accedes to the receipt of representation by the



respondents, we would prefer to direct the authorities to look into the representation and dispose the same on merits.

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4. Hence, there is a direction to the Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Home, Prohibition and Excise Department/R1 to consider the representation of the petitioner dated 02.01.2026 in line with the relevant Government Orders and Rules and pass orders thereupon, within a period of twelve (12) weeks from today.

5. Since mandamus as sought for is achieved, this Writ Petition stands disposed.

(A.S.M.,J.) (S.M.,J.)

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Index: Yes/No

Speaking order

Neutral Citation: Yes

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4. The Public Prosecutor, High Court of Madras.

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