





4. Learned State counsel while referring to para 5 of the status report submits that a huge quantity of contraband was recovered from the petitioner and therefore, he is not eligible for the concession of parole.

5. The Division Bench of this Court in ***Kulwinder Singh @ Taina vs. State of Punjab and others (CRWP-5395-2023)*** decided on 06.05.2024 had considered a similar issue. Relevant para of the judgment is reproduced as under:

*“12. As per impugned order dated 10.04.2023 based on the report of Senior Superintendent of Police, Ferozepur, it is observed that in case petitioner is released on temporary parole, he can indulge in smuggling of narcotics and he may also abscond during parole. On this basis, prayer for parole was rejected by District Magistrate, Ferozepur by passing impugned order dated 10.04.2023 (Annexure P-2). Such mere apprehension is not a valid ground for rejection of application filed by petitioner seeking parole. Affidavit filed by Deputy Superintendent of Police, Zira and impugned order dated 10.04.2023 Annexure P-2 do not come to the aid of the State justifying denial of parole to petitioner. Consideration of the question whether release of petitioner on parole is likely to endanger security of State or maintenance of public order has clearly not been carried out by the competent authority. Cogent material to indicate the same rather than mere registration of various cases has to be available.”*

6. In ***Karanpreet Singh @ Giana @ Fateh vs. State of Punjab and others (CRWP-344-2025)***, Coordinate Bench of this Court vide order dated 01.03.2025 also set aside the order denying the parole merely on the basis of



criminal history and endangering public order or State security.

7. Keeping in view the facts and circumstances of the case, the present petition is allowed. The petitioner is ordered to be released on parole for a period of 08 weeks from the date of his release, subject to the satisfaction of competent authority.

20.01.2026  
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(AMAN CHAUDHARY)  
JUDGE

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