

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
W. P. (Cr) No. 247 of 2025

Pappu Tiwari @ Dilip Kumar Tiwari, S/o Late Ramjanm Tiwari, R/o
Village Sahijana Hanuman Nagar, PO, PS and District - Garhwa

... Petitioner

Versus

1. State of Jharkhand
2. The Secretary, Department of Home, Govt. of Jharkhand, Project Building, PO & PS Dhurwa, District Ranchi
3. The Secretary, Department of Home, Jail and Disaster Management, Govt. of Jharkhand, Project Building, PO & PS Dhurwa, District Ranchi
4. The Inspector General of Prison, T.A. Division, Govt. of Jharkhand, PO & PS Dhurwa, District Ranchi
5. The Superintendent of Jail, Loknayak Jai Prakash Narayan Central Jail, Hazaribagh, PO & PS Hazaribagh, District Hazaribagh
6. The Superintendent, Mandal Kara Sahebganj, PO & PS Sahebganj, District Sahebganj

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE GAUTAM KUMAR CHOUDHARY

For the Petitioner : Mr. P.P.N. Roy, Sr. Advocate
Ms. Sakshi Charu, Advocate
For the Respondent-State : Mr. Manoj Kumar, G.A.-III

Oral Order

06 / Dated : 29. 01.2026

1. The instant writ petition has been filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for direction upon the respondents, including the State Sentence Review Board, to consider the case of the petitioner for premature release from the jail custody in connection with S.T. No. 354/2000(P) and S.T. No. 159/2001(G) arising out of Garhwa P.S. Case No. 33 of 2000, whereby and whereunder, the petitioner had been convicted under Sections 302/34 of IPC and also under Section 27 of Arms Act and sentenced to undergo imprisonment for life under Section 302 of IPC and rigorous imprisonment for three years under Section 27 of Arms Act.
2. On the last date, the period already undergone by the petitioner in custody and the remission earned by him till date had been called and the report has been received which has been filed by way of

supplementary affidavit from which it appears that the petitioner has undergone 15 years and 8 days in actual custody and has earned remission of 3 years, 9 months and 12 days.

3. It is submitted that four other similarly situated convicts have already been released after completion of 14 years by giving them benefits of remission on 15.08.2016.
4. From the above facts, it is apparent that the minimum period of custody for 14 years has already been undergone by the petitioner and, therefore, Respondent Nos. 2 and 3 are directed to ensure that the case of the petitioner is taken up by the State Sentence Review Board within a period of two months from the date of receipt/production of copy of this order.

With the above direction, this writ petition stands disposed of.

Pending I.A., if any, also stands disposed of.

(Gautam Kumar Choudhary, J.)

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