



IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU

DATED THIS THE 6TH DAY OF JULY, 2026

BEFORE

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SURAJ GOVINDARAJ

WRIT PETITION NO. 19636 OF 2026 (GM-POLICE)

BETWEEN:

1. MR.MANJUNATHA K M,
S/O. D MUNI ANJINAPPA,
AGED ABOUT 51 YEARS,
R/AT NO 88, KANCHIGANALA,
RAJAGHATTA, DOD BALLAPUR
BANGALORE- 561 203.

(FATHER OF SANTHOSH KM
CONVICT PRISONER HAVING
CTP NO. 12261
NOW IN CUSTODY -CENTRAL PRISON,
BENGALURU)

... PETITIONER

(BY SRI. KIRAN S S., ADVOCATE)

AND:

1. STATE OF KARNATAKA
REPRESENTED BY ITS SECRETARIAT,
DEPARTMENT OF HOME, VIDHANA SOUDHA
BANGALORE- 560 001
2. THE CHIEF SUPERINTENDENT
CENTRAL PRISON, PARAPPANAGHRAHARA,
BANGALORE- 580 100
3. THE COMMISSIONER OF POLICE
NO 5, OPPOSITE VIKRAM HOSPITAL,
MILLERS ROAD, BANGALORE-560 051,
KARNATAKA.

... RESPONDENTS

(BY SRI. C.H. DEVARAJ, GOVERNMENT ADVOCATE)





THIS W.P. IS FILED UNDER ARTICLES 226 AND 227 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA, PRAYING TO ISSUE A WRIT OF MANDAMUS BY DIRECTING THE RESPONDENT NO.2/CENTRAL PRISON, BANGALORE, TO RELEASE THE PETITIONER'S SON ON GENERAL PAROLE FOR A PERIOD OF 90 DAYS AND PRISONER CTP NO.12261 AND HE HAS SOME AGRICULTURAL LAND WHICH HAS TO BE CULTIVATED AND TO TAKE CARE OF HIS OLD AGED PARENTS AND TO SPEND TIME WITH A FAMILY, IN THE INTEREST OF JUSTICE AND EQUITY AND ETC.

THIS PETITION, COMING ON FOR PRELIMINARY HEARING IN 'B' GROUP, THIS DAY, ORDER WAS MADE THEREIN AS UNDER:

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SURAJ GOVINDARAJ

ORAL ORDER

1. The petitioner, who is the father of the detenu-Santhosh (CTP.No.12261) is before this Court seeking for the following reliefs:

1. *Issue a Writ of Mandamus by directing the Respondent No.2/Central Prison, Bangalore, to release the Petitioner's Son on General Parole for a period of 90 days and prisoner CTP No.12261 and he has some agricultural land which has to be cultivated and to take care of his old aged parents and to spend time with a family, in the interest of justice and equity.*
2. *Issue such other suitable orders or direction as this Hon'ble court deems fit and proper in the nature and circumstances of the case, in the interest of justice and equity.*

2. The detenu had been convicted in S.C.No.10038/2018 for offences under Sections 302



and 506 of IPC by the IV Additional District and Sessions Judge, Doddaballapura, Bengaluru Rural District and sentenced on 09.04.2021 with the highest of the sentence being imprisonment for life. The detenu has served a period of 8 years and 25 days of imprisonment as on 08.06.2026 and his conduct in jail is said to be satisfactory. The petitioner having made an application for parole, the same came to be rejected on account of adverse report having received by the police.

3. A perusal of the police report indicates that it deals with the conviction of the detenu and does not cover any issue as regards the petitioner is at flight risk and or could cause any harm or injury to the victim/s or victim/s causing any harm to the detenu. In that view of the matter, taking into consideration the conduct of the detenu has been satisfactory while incarcerated, there is no particular complaint against the detenu, I pass the following:



ORDER

- i) The Writ Petition is ***allowed***.
- ii) Respondent No.2–Chief Superintendent is directed to release the detenu-Santhosh (CTP.No.12261) on parole for a period of 90 days commencing from 20.07.2026, subject to the following conditions:
 - a) The detenu-Santhosh (CTP.No.12261) shall mark his attendance in the jurisdictional Police Station, weekly once throughout the period of his parole and it would be the responsibility of the jurisdictional Police to take them to gaol, in the event, the detenu would evade going back to the gaol, after the expiry of the period of parole.
 - b) Respondent No.1- State of Karnataka shall stipulate strict conditions as are usually stipulated to ensure return of the detenu to the gaol and that he shall not commit any other offence during the period of parole.
- iii) The Registry is directed to communicate the order to the prison authority for its immediate execution.



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- iv) The petitioner and family members of the detenu to comply with all other formalities before the date fixed for release.

SD/-
(SURAJ GOVINDARAJ)
JUDGE

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