

less punishment or punishments mentioned in this Act; (d) either with or without conditions which the person sentenced accepts, release the person on parole."

Having heard learned counsel for the parties, we grant liberty to the respondent to file an application under Section 128 of the Act within three weeks hence. The Director-General shall consider the said application along with the petition submitted under Section 117(2) of the Act simultaneously. The respondent shall be entitled to nominate the Next Friend, who shall put forth his case before the confirming authority, who is empowered to exercise the power under Sections 117 and 128 of the Act. We may hasten to clarify that the Next Friend shall not be a lawyer. The said exercise be completed within a period of eight weeks hence.

Let the matter be listed for further hearing in the third week of July, 2016."

It is submitted that a hand written letter has been received through DIG prison 'Tamil Nadu Prison Department, Trichy Range, Tamil Nadu' by sole respondent, who wants to express his views and facts in person. Copy of letter has already been included in the SLP paper books.

The matter above mentioned was lastly listed before the Hon'ble Court on 14.09.2016 along with connected matter, when the Court was pleased to pass the following order :-

" List the matter on 16.11.2016."

Service of show cause notice is complete.

The matter is listed before the Hon'ble Court with this office report.

Dated this the 24th day of January, 2017.

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