Minutes of the Sentence Review Board held under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Home Minister, Govt. of NCT of Delhi at 03:00 P.M. on 24th April, 2025.

A meeting of the Sentence Review Board (hereinafter referred to as Board) was held on 24th April, 2025 at Delhi Secretariat, New Delhi under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Home Minister, Govt. of NCT of Delhi. List of participants is attached as Annexure-I (Page No.23).

- In pursuance to the meeting notice No. F.18/25/2025/Home(G)/1061-66 dated 16.04.2025, Agenda of 12 cases (including one more case on the directions of Hon'ble Supreme Court vide order dated 21/04/2025) was placed before the Board.
- 3. The Board was informed about the following:-
- (i) Remission rules/policies with respect to premature release of a convict vide order dated 16.07.2004 issued by Govt. of NCT of Delhi, Delhi Prison Rules, 2018 and the operative part of Judgment "State of Haryana Vs. Jagdish (2010) 4 SCC 216", holding that remission policy existing on the date of conviction will apply to a convict.
- (ii) Actual custody period undergone by the convict i.e. expired portion of sentence along-with the remission earned by the convict in all the cases.
- (iii) Recommendations of the Board for premature release of the convicts shall be placed before the Competent Authority i.e. Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor, Govt. of National Capital Territory of Delhi for approval.
- 4. The Board considered and examined the cases for premature release of convicts based upon the orders/guidelines issued by the Government on the date of conviction. The following key factors also considered while deciding the case of a convict for premature release:
 - Circumstances under which the crime was committed;
 - (ii) Potential and Probability of committing crime again by the convict;

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- (iii) Possibility of reclaiming the convict as a useful member of the society;
- (iv) Socio-economic condition of the convict's family; &
- (v) Whether the offence affects the society at large etc.
- 5. The Board underlined the facts that there is need for striking a balance between retributive and reformative justice. There is per se no mandate under the law to release a life convict merely because he has completed the minimum prescribed sentence for consideration of his case by the Board. The effect of the premature release of convict, both on society and on the convict is the key material to be considered while deciding premature release. Hence, the report of probation officer is also crucial for decision making & so is the report of police. It also needs to be kept in mind that Courts convict the accused only after proving the case beyond doubt which entails a lot of time and energy/resources and thus the case of premature release needs to be examined minutely before recommending its release.
- 6. Agenda of each case was submitted by the DG (Prison) consisting of reports from Police, Probation/District Probation Officer of Social Welfare Departments, Medical/Health status report, case brief/offence details, status of co-accused, conduct in prison etc.
- 7. Factors like conduct of the prisoner during confinement, the circumstances under which the crime was committed, nature and gravity of crime and its bearing on the sense of security and safety as may be perceived by the society, perversity and brutality of the offence committed by the convict, exceptional violence in the crime, criminal history of the convict, apprehension expressed by his/her family members, age of the convict and possibility of committing crime again if released etc., were accordingly considered by the Board.
- 8. Accordingly, the Board examined 12 cases in total including the case of Mohd. Arif and recommendation of the Board on each case is given as under:

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Item No. 1: The Case of Ajay @ Ajju S/o Sh. Ram Kishan — (Age-51 Yrs.)

(i) Background:

This case has been put up in compliance to the order dated 06.03.2025, passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, in Criminal Appeal No. 1095/2017 in the matter of Ajay Kumar @ Ajju Versus State (GNCT) of Delhi.

(ii) Eligibility conditions:

14 years of actual imprisonment i.e. without remission. This case has been considered under the policy/order dated 16.07.2004 issued by the Govt. of NCT of Delhi i.e. policy that was existing on the date of conviction.

(iii) Sentence details:

Ajay @ Ajju S/o Sh. Ram Kishan is undergoing life imprisonment in case FIR No. 986/2000, U/S 302/201/34 IPC, P.S. Uttam Nagar, Delhi for committed murder of a person due to enmity. As on 02.09.2019, the convict has undergone imprisonment of 18 years, 10 months & 01 day in actual and 20 years, 02 months & 09 days with remission. He has availed Parole 06 times and Furlough 09 times. The convict was admitted on bail granted by Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, vide order dated 10.07.2017 in SLP (Crl.) No. 262/2016, in Crl. Appeal No. 1095/2017 and was released from jail on 02.09.2019. He was again arrested in another case FIR No. 120/2020, PS-Mohan Garden, Delhi and admitted to jail on 24.02.2020 and later released on bail on 31.07.2020.

(iv) Recommendations:

The Board considered the reports received from Police and Social Welfare Department and took into account all the facts and circumstances of the case. As per the latest police report dated 23.04.2025, it has been reported that the convict Ajay Kumar @ Ajju is involved in multiple cases (as per SCRB)

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report). The details and status of the cases (including the status available with Prison Department) are as under:

S.No.	Case Particulars	Status		
1.	FIR NO. 118/11, U/S 307/186/332/353/148/ 342/440/120-B IPC, PS- Subzi Mandi	Convicted for 09 years RI, sentence completed on 02.09.2019.		
2.	FIR NO. 51/08, U/S- 324/34 IPC, PS- Hari Nagar	Sentence to AUG.		
3.	FIR NO. 671/05, U/S 324/34 IPC, PS- Hari Nagar	Sentence to AUG.		
4.	FIR NO. 125/06, U/S- 307/34 IPC, PS- Hari Nagar	Sentence to AUG.		
5.	FIR NO. 184/11, U/S 324/34 IPC, PS- Hari Nagar	Sentence to AUG.		
6.	FIR NO. 120/20, U/S 392/397/452/411/34 IPC & 25/27 A. ACT, PS- Mohan Garden	Trial pending (On Bail).		
7.	FIR NO. 64/2011, PS- Hari Nagar	Compromised on 19.07.2011.		
8.	FIR NO. 118/2011, PS- Subzi Mandi	Convicted on 27.03.2015.		

Further, the report dated 28.03.2025 under the signature of Probation Officer, Prison Welfare Services, Mandoli Jail, Delhi, did not find the convict fit for positive consideration. The jail records also indicate that the convict had not lost his propensity to commit crime again as he was again booked & readmitted to prison in the month of February, 2020 in another criminal case after undergoing substantial period of sentence. Apart from it, the convict had not shown reformative attitude during incarceration as was punished several times for violating Delhi Prison Rules. Considering all the above facts, the circumstances under which the offence was committed, gravity and perversity of the offence, previous criminal history, multiple convictions, unsatisfactory jail conduct; the Board is of the view that this case is not fit to recommend his release in the interest of the society at large. Therefore, the Board after detailed deliberations unanimously decided to **REJECT** premature release of the convict Ajay @ Ajju S/o Sh. Ram Kishan at this stage.

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Item No. 2: The Case of Anil Kumar S/o Sh. Mahi Pal- (Age-41 Yrs)

(i) Background:

This case has been put up in compliance to the order dated 04.02.2025, passed by the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi, in W.P.(CRL) 179/2025 in the matter of Anil Kumar Vs. State GNCT of Delhi.

(ii) Eligibility conditions:

14 years of actual imprisonment i.e. without remission. This case has been considered under the policy/order dated 16.07.2004 issued by the Govt. of NCT of Delhi i.e. policy that was existing on the date of conviction.

(iii) Sentence details:

Anil Kumar S/o Sh. Mahi Pal is undergoing life imprisonment in case FIR No. 69/2007, U/S 302/365/364/328/120-B/392 IPC, P.S. M. S. Park, Delhi for kidnapping, robbing of ornaments and murder of a woman. As on 19.03.2025, the convict has undergone imprisonment of 18 years, 00 months & 28 days in actual and 21 years, 05 months and 08 days with remission. He has availed Parole 04 times and Furlough 15 times.

(iv) Recommendations:

The Board considered the reports received from Police and Social Welfare Departments and took into account all the facts and circumstances of the case. As per the latest police report dated 23.04.2025, the convict is not found involved in any other criminal case(s) except the present case. The jail records also indicate that the convict had a satisfactory jail conduct throughout incarceration (except a warning) and no adverse report received against the convict during parole/furlough periods. The jail records show that the convict had availed 19 times parole/furlough and never violated the condition of parole/furlough even for once. It shows that the convict has lost his potential to commit crime again and can be reclaimed as a useful member of the society. Thus, the Board after due deliberations unanimously decided to **RECOMMEND** premature release of convict Anil Kumar S/o Sh. Mahi Pal.

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Item No. 3: The case of Rahul Kumar S/O Sh. Ashutosh Singh— (Age-36 Yrs.)

(i) Background:

This case has been put up in compliance to the order dated 21.02.2025, passed by the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi, in W.P. (CRL) 3637/2024 in the matter Rahul Kumar vs. The NCT of Delhi.

(ii) Eligibility conditions:

14 years of actual imprisonment i.e. without remission. This case has been considered under the policy/order dated 16.07.2004 issued by the Govt. of NCT of Delhi i.e. policy that was existing on the date of conviction.

(iii) Sentence details:

Rahul Kumar S/o Sh. Ashutosh Singh is undergoing life imprisonment in case FIR No. 136/2010, U/S 302 IPC, P.S. Sadar Bazar, Delhi for murder of a person over one sided affair of convict. As on 20.03.2025, the convict has undergone imprisonment of 14 years, 04 months & 01 day in actual and 18 years, 04 months & 26 days with remission. He has availed Parole 11 times and furlough 17 times.

iv. Recommendations:

The Board considered the reports received from Police and Social Welfare Departments and took into account all the facts and circumstances of the case. As per the latest police report dated 23.04.2025, the convict is not found involved in any other criminal case(s) except the present case. The Probation Officer in its report dated 08.11.2024 did not oppose premature release of the convict. The jail records also indicate that the convict had a satisfactory jail conduct throughout incarceration and no adverse report received against the convict during parole/furlough periods. The jail records show that the convict had availed parole/furlough 28 times and never violated the conditions of parole/furlough. It shows that the convict has lost his potential to commit crime again and can be reclaimed as a useful member of the society. Thus, the

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Board after due deliberations unanimously decided to <u>RECOMMEND</u> premature release of convict Rahul Kumar S/o Sh. Ashutosh Singh.

Item No. 4: The Case of Rani @ Manju W/o Sh. Dharmender — (Age- 44 Yrs.)

(i) Background:

This case has been put up in compliance to the order dated 23.12.2024, passed by the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi, in W.P. (CRL) 4026/2024 in the matter Rani @ Manju Vs. State (Govt. of NCT of Delhi).

(ii) Eligibility conditions:

14 years of actual imprisonment i.e. without remission. This case has been considered under the policy/order dated 16.07.2004 issued by the Govt. of NCT of Delhi i.e. policy that was existing on the date of conviction.

(iii) Sentence details:

Rani @ Manju W/o Sh. Dharmender is undergoing life imprisonment in case FIR No. 129/2007, U/S 364-A/365/120-B/343 IPC, P.S. Krishna Nagar, Delhi for kidnapping of a minor child for ransom. As on 20.03.2025, the convict has undergone imprisonment of 15 years, 09 months & 12 days in actual and 18 years, 09 months & 06 days with remission. She has availed Parole 07 times and Furlough 12 times.

(iv) Recommendations:

The Board considered the reports received from Police and Social Welfare Departments and took into account all the facts and circumstances of the case. As per the latest police report dated 23.04.2025, the convict is not found involved in any other criminal case(s) except the present case. The Chief Probation Officer, Social Welfare Department also supported her premature release in the meeting. The jail records also indicate that the convict had a satisfactory jail conduct throughout incarceration and no adverse report received against the convict during parole/furlough periods. The jail records show that the convict had availed parole/furlough 19 times and never violated

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the conditions of parole/furlough. Her co-accused has already been released by SRB. It shows that the convict has lost her potential to commit crime again and can be reclaimed as a useful member of the society. Thus, the Board after due deliberations unanimously decided to **RECOMMEND** premature release of convict Rani @ Manju W/o Sh. Dharmender.

Item No. 5: The case of Rishi Rallan S/o Sh. Ram Singh — (Age-42 Yrs.)

(i) Background:

This case has been put up in compliance to the order dated 30.01.2025, passed by the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi, in W.P.(CRL) 3373/2024 in the matter Rishi Rallan Vs. State (NCT of Delhi).

(ii) Eligibility conditions:

14 years of actual imprisonment i.e. without remission. This case has been considered under Rule 1251 of Delhi Prisons Rules, 2018 i.e. policy that was existing on the date of conviction.

(iii) Sentence details:

Rishi Rallan S/o Sh. Ram Singh is undergoing life imprisonment in case FIR No. 170/2010 & 106/2010, U/S 302/365/201/120-B/34 IPC & 25/54/59 Arms Act, P.S. Pahar Ganj & Rajender Nagar, Delhi for kidnapped, robbed & murder of a cab driver. As on 20.03.2025, the convict has undergone imprisonment of 14 years, 05 months & 18 days in actual and 16 years, 05 months and 25 days with remission. He has availed Furlough 04 times.

(iv) Recommendations:

The Board considered the reports received from Police and Social Welfare Department and took into account all the facts and circumstances of the case. As per the latest police report dated 23.04.2025, it has been reported that the convict Rishi Rallan S/o Sh. Ram Singh is involved in multiple cases. The details and status of cases are as under:

S.No.	Case P	arti	culars			Status			
1.	FIR N	NO.	102/2009,	U/S	356/379	Sentence	to	AUG	on
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2.	FIR NO. 82/2009, Ú/S- 308/34 IPC, PS- Paharganj	Convicted on 16.08.2011
3.	FIR NO. 106/2010, U/S 25/54/59 Arms Act, PS- Rajender Nagar	Convicted on 13.02.2019
4.	FIR NO. 537/2005, U/S- 324 IPC, PS- Paharganj	Compromised on 28.08.2010
5.	FIR NO. 19/2008, U/S- 241/380 IPC, PS- Paharganj	Compromised on 22.11.2010

Further, the Chief Probation Officer, Social Welfare Department did not support his premature release in the meeting. Considering all the above facts, the circumstances under which the offence was committed for unlawful gain, gravity and perversity of the offence, previous criminal history, multiple convictions, age of the convict, the Board is of the view that propensity of committing crime again cannot be ruled out & it is not a fit case to recommend his release in the interest of the society at large. Therefore, the Board after detailed deliberations unanimously decided to **REJECT** premature release of the convict Rishi Rallan S/o Sh. Ram Singh at this stage.

Item No. 6: The case of Sandeep @ Samman S/o Sh. Azad Singh — (Age-43 Yrs.)

(i) Background:

This case has been put up in compliance to the order dated 06.01.2025, passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, in Criminal Appeal No. 81 of 2025 in the matter Sandeep @ Samman Vs. State (NCT of Delhi).

(ii) Eligibility conditions:

14 years of actual imprisonment i.e. without remission. This case has been considered under the policy/order dated 16.07.2004 issued by the Govt. of NCT of Delhi i.e. policy that was existing on the date of conviction.

(iii) Sentence details:

Sandeep @ Samman S/o Sh. Azad Singh_is undergoing life imprisonment in case FIR No. 887/2006, U/S 302/307/120-B/34 IPC & 27 Arms Act, P.S. Punjabi Bagh, Delhi for murder of a person by bullet shot over love affair. As

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on 20.03.2025, the convict has undergone imprisonment of 16 years, 09 months & 25 days in actual and 18 years, 05 months & 28 days with remission. He has availed Parole 04 times and furlough 09 times.

(iv) Recommendations:

The Board considered the reports received from Police and Social Welfare Departments and took into account all the facts and circumstances of the case. As per the latest police report dated 23.04.2025, the convict is not found involved in any other criminal case(s) except the present case. The Chief Probation Officer, Social Welfare Department also supported his premature release in the meeting. The jail records also indicate that the convict had a satisfactory jail conduct (except two old jail punishments) and no adverse report received against the convict during parole/furlough periods. The jail records show that the convict had availed parole/furlough 13 times and never violated the conditions of parole/furlough. It shows that the convict has lost his potential to commit crime again and can be reclaimed as a useful member of the society. Thus, the Board after due deliberations unanimously decided to **RECOMMEND** premature release of convict Sandeep @ Samman S/o Sh. Azad Singh.

Item No. 7: The case of Surject Singh @ Ajay @ Sanjay @ Payyu @ Suraj S/o Sh. Suraj Singh @ Chunni Lal — Age-48 Yrs.

(i) Background:

This case has been put up in compliance to the order dated 06.02.2025, passed by the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi, in W.P.(CRL) 3901/2024 in the matter Surject @ Ajay @ Payyu @ Sanjay Vs. State of NCT of Delhi.

(ii) Eligibility conditions:

14 years of actual imprisonment i.e. without remission. This case has been considered under the policy/order dated 16.07.2004 issued by the Govt. of NCT of Delhi.

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(iii) Sentence details:

Surject Singh @ Ajay @ Sanjay @ Payyu @ Suraj S/o Sh. Suraj Singh @ Chunni Lal is undergoing life imprisonment in case FIR No. 942/1997, U/S 302/307/34 IPC & 27 Arms Act, P.S. Rajouri Garden, Delhi for committing murder of a person during quarrel. As on 31.12.2024, the convict has undergone imprisonment of 17 years, 11 months & 04 days in actual and 22 years, 00 month and 11 days with remission. He has availed Parole 01 time and furlough 03 times.

(iv) Recommendations:

The Board considered the reports received from Police and Social Welfare Department and took into account all the facts and circumstances of the case. As per jail record, the convict Surjeet Singh @ Ajay @ Sanjay @ Payyu @ Suraj S/o Sh. Suraj Singh @ Chunni Lal is involved in multiple cases. The details and status of the cases are as under:-

S.No.	Case Particulars	Status
1.	FIR No. 270/2010, U/s- 392/397/34 IPC, PS- Keshav Puram.	Convicted
2.	FIR No. 243/2010, U/s- 411/482/471/473/34 IPC, PS-Rani Bagh.	Convicted
3.	FIR No. 191/2010, U/s-307/394/397/186/353/332/412/402/120B IPC & 25/27/54/59 Arms Act IPC, PS- Special Cell.	On Bail

Further, the Chief Probation Officer, Social Welfare Department did not support the premature release of the convict in the meeting. Considering all the above facts and circumstances under which the offence was committed, gravity and perversity of the offence, previous criminal history, multiple convictions, unsatisfactory jail conduct, the Board is of the view that propensity of committing crime again cannot be ruled out & this case is not fit to recommend for release in the interest of the society at large. Therefore, the Board after detailed deliberations unanimously decided to **REJECT**

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premature release of the convict Surject Singh @ Ajay @ Sanjay @ Payyu @ Suraj S/o Sh. Suraj Singh @ Chunni Lal at this stage.

Item No. 8: The case of Ved Pal @ Vedu S/o Sh. Mange Ram—(Age-55 Yrs.)

(i) Background:

This case has been put up in compliance to the order dated 20.12.2024, passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, in Special Leave Petition (Criminal) No. 17037 of 2024 in the matter "Ved Pal Vs. State of NCT of Delhi".

(ii) Eligibility conditions:

14 years of actual imprisonment i.e. without remission. This case has been considered under the policy/order dated 16.07.2004 issued by the Govt. of NCT of Delhi i.e. policy that was existing on the date of conviction.

(iii) Sentence details:

Ved Pal @ Vedu S/o Sh. Mange Ram is undergoing life imprisonment in case FIR No. 78/1997, U/S 364-A r/w 120-B IPC, P.S. Najafgarh, Delhi for committing crime of kidnapping a boy aged about 13 years for ransom. As on 29.03.2025, the convict has undergone imprisonment of 14 years & 06 months & 00 day in actual and 18 years, 07 months & 07 days with remission. He has availed Parole 05 times and furlough 12 times. He has jumped furlough from 13.04.2016 and re-arrested on 10.07.2016 in another case.

(iv) Recommendations:

The Board considered the reports received from Police and Social Welfare Departments and took into account all the facts and circumstances of the case under which the offence was committed. The convict had committed crime of kidnapping a boy aged about 13 years for ransom. As per jail record, the convict Ved Pal @ Vedu S/o Sh. Mange Ram was involved in multiple cases.

The details and status of the cases are as under:

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S.No.	Case Particulars	Status
1.	CC NO. 269A/2007 & 243/2007, U/S- 323/367//295A/120B IPC, PS- City Bahadurgarh, Haryana.	Pending trial (On Bail)
2.	FIR NO. 46/2007, U/S- 323/367/295A/120B IPC, PS- Sadar Bahadurgarh, Haryana	Pending trial (On Bail)
3.	CC NO., U/S 148/149/323 IPC, PS- City Bahadurgarh, Haryana	Pending trial (On Bail)
4.	CC NO., U/S 186 Cr.PC & 323/367/120B, PS- City Bahadurgarh, Haryana	Pending trial (On Bail)
5.	CC NO., U/S 156 (3) PS- City Bahadurgarh, Haryana	Pending trial (On Bail)
6.	FIR NO. 151/2016, U/S- 307/120B/34 IPC & 25 Arms Act, PS- Beri, Haryana	

Further, the Chief Probation Officer, Social Welfare Department did not support his premature release in the meeting. Considering all the above facts, the circumstances under which the offence was committed, gravity and perversity of the offence, previous criminal history, history of jump furlough and arrested in another criminal case, unsatisfactory jail conduct, the Board is of the view that possibility of his committing crime again cannot be ruled out & it is not a fit case to recommend his release in the interest of the society at large. Therefore, the Board after detailed deliberations unanimously decided to **REJECT** premature release of the convict Ved Pal @ Vedu S/o Sh. Mange Ram at this stage.

Item No. 9: The case of Pawan Singh S/o Sh. Chaman Singh— (Age-46 Yrs)

(i) Background:

This case was deferred in the last meeting of Sentence Review Board held on 10.12.2024 for want of some facts and circumstances under which the offence was committed.

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(ii) Eligibility condition:

14 years of actual imprisonment i.e. without remission. This case has been considered under the policy/order dated 16.07.2004 issued by the Govt. of NCT of Delhi i.e. policy that was existing on the date of conviction.

(iii) Sentence details:

Pawan Singh S/o Sh. Chaman Singh is undergoing life imprisonment in case FIR No. 66/2010, U/S 302 IPC, P.S. Harsh Vihar, Delhi for committing murder of his wife over strained relations. As on 20.03.2025, the convict has undergone imprisonment of 14 years, 08 months & 24 days in actual and 18 years, 11 months and 10 days with remission. He has availed Parole 08 times and furlough 20 times.

(iv) Recommendations:

The Board considered the reports received from Police and Social Welfare Departments and took into account all the facts and circumstances of the case. As per the latest police report dated 23.04.2025, the convict is not found involved in any other criminal case(s) except the present case. The Chief Probation Officer, Social Welfare Department also supported his premature release in the meeting. The jail records also indicate that the convict had a satisfactory jail conduct throughout incarceration and no adverse report received against the convict during parole/furlough periods. The jail records show that the convict had availed parole/furlough 28 times and never violated the conditions of parole/furlough. It shows that the convict has lost his potential to commit crime again and can be reclaimed as a useful member of the society. Thus, the Board after due deliberations unanimously decided to **RECOMMEND** premature release of convict Pawan Singh S/o Sh. Chaman Singh.

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Item No. 10: The case of Naeem @ Naimuddin @ Maimuddin S/O Sh. Shamimuddin — (Age-40 Yrs.)

(i) Background:

This case was deferred in SRB meeting held on dated 10.12.2024 and has been put up in compliance to the order dated 21.02.2025, passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, in Special Leave Petition (Criminal) No(s) 1989-1987 of 2024 in the matter "Mohd. Anwar etc. Vs. State (Govt. of NCT of Delhi)".

(ii) Eligibility conditions:

14 years of imprisonment inclusive of remission but only after completion of 10 years actual imprisonment i.e. without remissions. This case has been considered under the policy/order dated 16.07.2004 issued by the Govt. of NCT of Delhi i.e. policy that was existing on the date of conviction.

(iii) Sentence details:

Naeem @ Naimuddin @ Maimuddin S/O Sh. Shamimuddin is undergoing life imprisonment in case FIR No. 36/2011, U/S 395/397/34 IPC, P.S. Saraswati Vihar, Delhi for committing robbery/dacoity in a shop. As on 19.03.2025, the convict has undergone imprisonment of 13 years, 01 month & 26 days in actual and 16 years, 02 months and 20 days with remission. He has availed Interim Bail 01 time, Parole 03 times and furlough 04 times.

(iv) Recommendations:

The Board considered the reports received from Police and Social Welfare Departments and took into account all the facts and circumstances of the case under which the offence was committed. The convict had committed robbery/dacoity in a shop. As per the latest police report dated 23.04.2025, it has been reported that the convict Naeem @ Naimuddin @ Maimuddin S/O Sh. Shamimuddin was involved in multiple cases. The details and status of cases are as under:

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S.No.	Case Particulars	Status		
1.	FIR NO. 216/2006, PS-Subhash Place, Delhi.	Convicted on 26.02.2009. (AUG)		
2.	FIR NO. 428/2003, PS-Subhash Place, Delhi.	Convicted on 09.09.2003. (AUG)		
3.	FIR NO. 285/2007, PS-Subhash Place, Delhi.	Convicted on 19.02.2009. (AUG)		
4.	FIR NO. 673/2006, PS-Subhash Place, Delhi.	Convicted on 20.03,2009, (AUG)		
5.	FIR NO. 217/2005, PS-Subhash Place, Delhi.	Convicted on 04.03.2009. (AUG)		
6.	FIR NO. 06/2004, PS-Subhash Place, Delhi.	Convicted on 27.02.2009. (AUG)		

Further, the Chief Probation Officer, Social Welfare Department did not support his premature release in the meeting. Considering all the above facts, the circumstances under which the offence was committed, previous criminal history, multiple convictions, age of the convict, the Board is of the view that it is not a fit case to recommend his release in the interest of the society at large. The Board is also conscious of the fact that the co-accused of the convict Naeem @ Naimuddin, whose case has also been considered in this meeting, has been recommended for release. However convict Naeem @ Naimuddin did not find fit to be recommend for release because of his involvement in multiple cases with multiple convictions and overall facts and circumstances of his case. Looking into the multiple convictions of convict Naeem @ Naimuddin and has unsatisfactory jail conduct, the Board finds this case altogether at different footing in comparison to his co-accused. Therefore, the Board after detailed deliberations unanimously decided to REJECT premature release of the convict Naeem @ Naimuddin @ Maimuddin S/o Sh. Shamimuddin at this stage.

Item No. 11: The case of Hari Singh S/o Sh. Ganeshi Lal — (Age-70 Yrs.)

(i) Background:

This case was deferred in SRB meeting held on dated 10.12.2024 and has been put up in compliance to the order dated 21.02.2025 in Special Leave

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Petition (Criminal) No(s) 1484-1496 of 2024 passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in the matter Satender Singh etc. Vs. State (Govt. of NCT of Delhi).

(ii) Eligibility conditions:

14 years of imprisonment inclusive of remission but only after completion of 10 years actual imprisonment i.e. without remissions. This case has been considered under the rule of 1253 of Delhi Prison Rules, 2018 issued by the Govt. of NCT of Delhi i.e. policy that was existing on the date of conviction.

(iii) Sentence details:

Hari Singh S/o Sh. Ganeshi Lal is undergoing life imprisonment in case FIR No. 07/1993, U/S 186/353/365/506 (II) IPC & 4 Anti Hijacking Act, P.S. Palam Airport, Delhi for Hijacked flight of Indian Airlines. As on 21.04.2025, the convict has undergone imprisonment of 17 years, 00 months 14 days in actual and 21 years, 00 months & 03 days with remission. He has availed Interim bail 01 times, Parole 11 times and furlough 15 times.

(iv) <u>Recommendations:</u>

The Board considered the reports received from Police and Social Welfare Departments and took into account all the facts and circumstances of the case. The manner under which the crime was committed, horrifying act of hijacking of an Indian Airlines flight with 192 passengers and taking the flight to Pakistan that finally landed in Amritsar, the gravity of the offence cannot be considered leniently specially when that was occupied fully with passengers & crew staff of the flight. The Board is conscious that the age of the convict is 70 years and there is no misconduct reported during incarceration but the circumstances under which the offence was committed and its manner cannot be treated less than a terrorist act/anti-national act.

The Board also felt that the conduct of the convict in jail is not necessarily a barometer of what he may do outside prison and thus the same could not be considered a sole factor for recommending the premature release. Thus, the

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Board after due deliberation unanimously decided to <u>REJECT</u> premature release of convict Hari Singh S/o Sh. Ganeshi Lal at this stage.

Item No. 12: The case of Md. Arif. S/o Jalaluddin — (Age-36 Yrs.)

(i) Background:

This case was rejected in last SRB meeting held on dated 02.04.2025 and has been re-considered in compliance to the order dated 21.04.2025 in Writ Petition (Criminal) Diary No(s). 48045/2024 passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in the matter Mohd. Arif Vs. State (Govt. of NCT of Delhi).

(ii) Eligibility conditions:

14 years of imprisonment inclusive of remission but only after completion of 10 years actual imprisonment i.e. without remissions. This case has been considered under the policy/order dated 16.07.2004 issued by the Govt. of NCT of Delhi i.e. policy that was existing on the date of conviction.

(iii) Sentence details:

Md. Arif S/o Sh. Jalaluddin is undergoing life imprisonment in case FIR No. 36/2011, U/S 395/397/34 IPC, P.S. Saraswati Vihar, Delhi for committing robbery/dacoity in a shop. As on 14.10.2023, the convict has undergone imprisonment of 12 years, 06 months & 09 days in actual and 15 years, 03 months & 19 days with remission. He has availed Parole 07 times and Furlough 12 times.

(iv) Recommendations:

The Board deliberated at length on the facts and circumstances of the present case that also included the latest report of Delhi Police indicating disposal of cases pertaining to Mohd. Arif. The convict has been out of Jail since September, 2023 and not been found involved in any other crime since his release. Further, Social Welfare Department in its report dated 22/04/2025 has recommended the premature release of convict after considering various factors and observed that the case of the convict appears to be a fit case for positive consideration.

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The latest police report dated 06.04.2025 received from the SHO, PS-Subhash Place informing the disposal of the criminal cases has been placed before the Board and the same is as follows:

S. No.	FIR No.	Under section	Police Station	Present status of case
1.	0021/2009	356/379/34 IPC	Maurya Enclave	Acquitted by court on 22.01.2014
2.	0004/2009	457/380/ 411/34 IPC	South Rohini	Compounded
3.	0015/2009	457/380/ 411/34 IPC	Subhash Place	Pending trial NDOH: 11.06.2025 (On Bail).
4.	0004/2009	457/380/ 411/34 IPC	Subhash Place	Discharged. Untrace report filed on 20.04.2009.
5.	0006/2009	307/34 IPC	Subhash Place	Wrong entry. No name in FIR & Judgement.
6.	0416/2010	457/380/ 411/34 IPC	Moti Nagar	Compounded on 18.05.2015.
7.	551/2014	380 IPC	Keshav Puram	Acquitted on 04.12.2015

It has been informed to the Board that the convict has been granted bail in case FIR No.15/2009, PS Subhash Place, U/S 457/380/411/34 IPC, however, the same is pending trial.

The Social Welfare Department in its report dated 22.04.2025 also referred to the Socio-economic condition of the family of Mohd. Arif and the fact that subsequent to his temporary release in September 2023, he is working in a shop as a helper to support his family and thus showing responsible behaviour towards his family & society and therefore it was recommended by the Social Welfare Department that in such facts and circumstances his case may be considered favourably.

In view of the overall facts and circumstances, and keeping in the mind the facts that Mohd. Arif has undergone actual sentence of 12 years, 06 months & 09 days; also with remission the same amounts to 15 years, 03 months and 19

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days. Further, he has also availed parole 07 times and furlough 12 times and has not defaulted or committed any crime during the said periods outside jail.

Therefore in overall facts and circumstances of the case after giving due consideration to the fresh & latest material brought on record by Delhi Police and Social Welfare Department, the Board is of the considered opinion that case of Mohd. Arif should not be classified as that of habitual offender or dreaded criminal. It can be concluded that the convict has lost his potential of committing crime again and is trying to reclaim himself as a useful member of the society. Therefore, keeping in mind the penological goal of reformation and rehabilitation being the cornerstone of criminal justice system rather than retribution, the Board after due deliberations, unanimously came to conclusion that there will be no fruitful purpose of confining the convict anymore. Thus, the Board decided to **RECOMMEND** premature release of convict Md. Arif S/o Sh. Jalaluddin.

- 9. All the cases recommended by the Board shall be released subject to the approval of Competent Aurthority i.e. Hon'ble LG and also subject to the following conditions to be complied strictly by all concerned convicts:-
- (i) The said convict shall report to the concerned Probation Officer of Social Welfare Department of his native place in the first week of every quarter of the calendar year till his probation period is completed.
- (ii) He will also share his mobile number and permanent/temporary residential address to the concerned SHO police station of his native place.
- (iii) He will keep his mobile active at all the time and change in his permanent/temporary residential address or mobile number, shall immediately be reported to the concerned SHO of the police station of his native place.

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10. The summary of recommendations made by Board is given as below:

Item No.	Name	Page	Board Recommendation
01	Ajay @ Ajju S/o Sh. Ram Kishan	3-4	Rejected
02	Anil Kumar S/o Sh. Mahi Pal	5	Recommended
03	Rahul Kumar S/o Sh. Ashutosh Singh	6-7	Recommended
04	Rani @ Manju W/o Sh. Dharmender	7-8	Recommended
05	Rishi Rallan S/o Sh. Ram Singh	8-9	Rejected
06	Sandeep @ Samman S/o Sh. Azad Singh	9-10	Recommended
07	Surjeet Singh @ Ajay @ Sanjay @ Payyu @ Suraj S/o Sh. Suraj Singh @ Chunni Lal	10-12	Rejected
08	Ved Pal @ Vedu S/o Sh. Mange Ram	12-13	Rejected
09	Pawan Singh S/o Sh. Chaman Singh	13-14	Recommended
10	Naeem @ Naimuddin @ Maimuddin S/o Sh. Shamimuddin	15-16	Rejected
11	Hari Singh S/o Sh. Ganeshi Lal	16-18	Rejected
12	Md. Arif. S/o Jalaluddin	18-20	Recommended

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- Thus, as tabulated at para 10 above, the Board at its meeting held on 24.04.2025 has recommended 06 cases for premature release and 06 cases rejected.
- The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair.

Chief Probation Officer Department of Social Welfare GNCT of Delhi/Member

(Devesh Chandra Srivastva)

Spl. Commissioner of Police (Crime) Delhi Police/Member (As nominated by Commissioner of Police)

(Reetesh Singh)

Principal Secretary (Law, Justice & LA)

GNCT of Delhi/Member

(Surinder S. Rathi)

District Judge

Central District, Delhi/ Member (As nominated by D&SJ, Hqs, Delhi)

(Satish Golchha)

Director General of Prisons GNCT of Delhi/Member Secretary

(Ashish Sood)

Hon'ble Home Minister GNCT of Delhi/Chairman