

PROCEEDING OF THE HIGH POWERED COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ON 15.06.2021 AT 04:15 PM THROUGH BLUE JEANS
PRUSUANT TO THE ORDER OF THE HON'BLE SUPREME
COURT OF INDIA DATED 07.05.2021 IN SUO MOTU WRIT
PETITION (C) No.1 OF 2020

PRESENT

Hon'ble Sri Justice Joymalya Bagchi,
Executive chairman, APSLSA, Amaravati

Hon'ble Sri Justice A.V.Sesha Sai,
Chairman, APHCLSC, Amaravati

Sri Kumar Vishwajeet, IPS,
Principal Secretary, Home Department,
Government of A.P.

Sri Mohd. Ahsan Reza, IPS,
Director General of Prisons and Correctional Services,
A.P.

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Perused report from Director General of Prisons. Out of 422 prisoners, who were earlier released, 117 prisoners have been re-admitted. Status of the said prisoners is set out in the report. Status of other 206 prisoners, who were considered for release, is also set out in the report.

1) Having perused the report, it is resolved that prisoners, who are entitled to be released but have not yet been released, be forthwith released on bail and all necessary steps in that regard be taken. Further report be filed.

2) It is resolved that RTPCR tests be conducted in respect of all new prisoners, who are admitted to prisons and those who test positive be isolated from other prisoners and be given medical treatment, if necessary.

- 3) All medical facilities and other social distancing norms like sanitation and masks be arranged in the jails.
- 4) It is further resolved that *e-mulakath* facility be provided to prisoners from the jail precincts through video conferencing/tele conferencing *via* Whatsapp or any other video calling platform.
- 5) Upon perusal of the report which shows 490 prisoners and 150 prison staff were infected, it is resolved family members of the infected prisoners be forthwith intimated and communicated of their health status and the treatment facilities which are being extended to them. Director General of Prisons is directed to submit further report in this regard.
- 6) Resolved that vaccination drive of the prisoners and prison staff be pursued on a war footing and report in that regard be furnished on the next date.
- 7) It is resolved that status report with regard to the number of prisoners/prison staff infected/recovered/case fatalities be filed by the Prison department.
- 8) It is further resolved Superintendents of Prisons/Jailors in consultation with the respective District Legal Service Authorities shall prepare list of prisoners who are above 65 years of age and/or those who are suffering from serious/life threatening ailments like Cancer, Tuberculosis etc., and in appropriate cases prayers for their release on *interim* bail/parole on health/humanitarian grounds be made before the appropriate Court/Authority through District Legal Services Authorities concerned.

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- 9) It is resolved to hold next meeting on 15.07.2021.

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HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE JOYMALYA BAGCHI
EXECUTIVE CHAIRMAN,
A.P.STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY
AMARAVATHI

Sd/-

HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE A.V.SESHA SAI,
CHAIRMAN,
HIGH COURT LEGAL SERVICES COMMITTEE
AMARAVATHI

Sd/-

PRINCIPAL SECRETARY (HOME)

Sd/-

DIRECTOR GENERAL OF PRISONS