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**HIGH COURT OF TRIPURA
AGARTALA**

Suo Moto WP(C) No.01 of 2025

Court on its own motion

V E R S U S

The State of Tripura

.....Respondent(s)

For Court on its own motion: XXXX

For Respondent(s) : Mr. S M Chakraborti, Advocate General,
Mrs. Pinki Chakraborty, Advocate.

**HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE MR. M.S. RAMACHANDRA RAO
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE BISWAJIT PALIT**

Order

07.09.2026

A perusal of the affidavit filed by the respondents with regard to the decision of the State Level Committee relating to premature release of the seven convicted prisoners shows that notwithstanding the recommendation of the Superintendent of the Prison concerned and notwithstanding that the 7 (Seven) persons have undergone incarceration for periods between 15 years and 21 years, on the basis of a Police Verification Report, the Committee has not directed their premature release.

The notification dt.03.09.2025 issued by the Home (Jail) Department, Government of Tripura amending the norms for premature release nowhere mentions about the Police Verification Report, but the State Level Committee, without properly applying its mind to the principles to be applied for considering premature release, has declined their premature release on the basis of the said report.

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Though the Advocate General, has stated that the decision of the State Level Committee is only an interim view and that the final view will be taken by His Excellency, the Governor of the State of Tripura, we are of the view that the State Level Committee is not absolved of its responsibility to properly consider the case of each of the 7 (Seven) convicts for premature release strictly in accordance with the norms.

Therefore, the decision of the State Level Committee taken on 21.08.2026 is set aside and the said committee is directed to reconsider the issue in the light of the norms laid down by the State Government, as per the said notification.

List the matter on **07.10.2026**.

(BISWAJIT PALIT, J)

(M.S. RAMACHANDRA RAO, CJ)

