

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA
CIVIL ORIGINAL JURISDICTION
SUO MOTU WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) NO.1 OF 2020

IN THE MATTER OF:

IN RE : CONTAGION OF COVID 19 VIRUS IN PRISONS

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ADVOCATE FOR RESPONDENT : SACHIN PATIL

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AFFIDAVIT IN REPLY ON BEHALF OF THE STATE OF
MAHARASHTRA

I, Sunil Ramanand, Age: 53 Years, Additional Director General of Police and Inspector General of Prison and Correctional Services, State of Maharashtra, having my office at Pune-1, do hereby state on solemn affirmation as under:

1. I have gone through a copy of the order dated 1.06.2021, passed by this Hon'ble Court in Suo Motu Writ Petition (Civil) No. 1 of 2020. I am filing this Affidavit in my official capacity and as per records available in my office and in compliance of the order dated 1.06.2021, passed by this Hon'ble Court in Suo Motu Writ Petition (Civil) No. 1 of 2020.
2. The order dated 1.06.2021, passed by this Hon'ble Court in Suo Motu Writ Petition (Civil) No. 1 of 2020 inter alia directs the States/Union Territories have to file an Affidavit furnishing information about:
 - (a) the number of prisoners released pursuant to the order dated 07.05.2021;
 - (b) information relating to the number of deaths in prisons due to COVID 19.

3. With regard to the number of prisoners released pursuant to the order dated 07.05.2021, I say that as of date 06/06/2021 a total of 12,081 prisoners have been released to prevent contagion spread of COVID-19 Virus in Prisons in the State. Charts showing (i) the total number of 12,081 prisoners released, including 2792 prisoners released on emergency parole and 9289 prisoners released on bail are hereto annexed and marked **Annexure 'R-1' (Page 1)**.

4. With regard to the information relating to the number of deaths in prisons due to COVID 19, I say that a total of 13 prisoners have died in prisons due to COVID 19, and a total of 9 jail staff has died due to COVID 19. A Chart showing the total number of deaths in prisons due to COVID 19 is hereto annexed and marked **Annexure 'R-2' (Pages 1 to 2)**.


5. I say that the State has complied and/or is taking steps to comply with the directions and/or orders that have been passed and/or may be passed by this Hon'ble Court in Suo Motu Writ Petition (Civil) No. 1 of 2020, in letter and spirit.

6. Hence the Affidavit.

Place: Pune

Date: 08.06.2021

Drawn by: Rahul Chitnis,
Advocate




(Deponent)

(Sunil Ramanand)

VERIFICATION

I, Sunil Ramanand, Age: 53 Years, Additional Director General of Police and Inspector General of Prison and Correctional Services, State of Maharashtra, having my office at Pune-1, do hereby state on solemn affirmation, that whatever stated herein above is true to my knowledge and I believe the same to be true as the same is taken from office file made available to me in respect of above mentioned matter.

Solemnly affirmed at Pune this 8th day of June 2021.



(Deponent)

(Sunil Ramanand)

ANNEXURE R-1**Release of Prisoners to prevent contagion Spread of COVID- 19 Virus in Prison****Ref-SUO MOTO WRIT PETITION (C) NO 1 OF 2020****Date :- 06/06/2021**

Prisoners released on bail following recommendation's of HPC Dated 25/03/2020	Prisoners released on Emergency Parole Vide Govt. Order Dated 11/05/2020 & 7/05/2021 & 11/05/2021	Prisoners released on bail following recommendations of HPC Dated 11/05/2020	Prisoners released on bail following recommendations of HPC Dated 7/05/2021 & 11/05/2021	Total prisoners released to prevent contagion spread of COVID 19 -Virus
5105	2792	3019	1165	12081

// TRUE COPY//

SUO MOTO WRIT PETITION (C) NO 1 OF 2020
Prisonwise status of Death's of inmate's and staff in
prison due to Covid-19 from 25/03/2020 till Today

SR.NO	Prison name	No.of Death's of inmate's	No.of Death's of staff
1	Mumbai Central Prison	1	0
2	Taloja Central prison	3	1
3	Mumbai Women Prison Byculla	1	0
4	Yerawada Central Prison	2	1
5	Solapur District Prison	1	0
6	Visapur Open Prison	0	1
7	Aurangabad Central Prison	0	1
8	Beed District Prison	0	1
9	Latur District Prison	0	1
10	Dhule District Prison	1	0
11	Nagpur Central prison	3	0
12	Amaravati Central Prison	1	1
13	Washim District Prison	0	1
14	Borstal School Nashik	0	1
Total		13	9

// TRUE COPY //

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**APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION FROM FILING
AFFIDAVIT IN REPLY WITHOUT ATTESTATION**

TO

THE HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE OF
INDIA AND HIS COMPANION JUDGES
OF THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA

THE HUMBLE PETITION OF THE
RESPONDENT ABOVE NAMED

MOST RESPECTFULLY SHOWETH:

1. That the Respondent State of Maharashtra is filing the present Affidavit Reply in Suo Motu Writ Petition (Civil) No.1 of 2020.
2. That because of the lockdown due to the difficulties being faced due to the Covid-19 Pandemic, paucity of time and urgency in the said matter, the Respondent State of Maharashtra could not get the above Affidavit in Reply attested from a Notary / Oath Commissioner. Therefore, the present Affidavit in Reply is being filed without attestation.
3. In light of the above mentioned facts and circumstances, the Respondent State of Maharashtra seeks exemption from attestation for filing the present Affidavit in

Reply. The Respondent State of Maharashtra undertakes to file the same upon return of normalcy / re-opening of this Hon'ble Court.

PRAYER

In the above mentioned circumstances, it is humbly prayed that this Hon'ble Court may be pleased to:

- (a) Exempt the Respondent State of Maharashtra from affidavit attestation for filing the present Affidavit in Reply; and
- (b) Pass such other or further order or orders as this Hon'ble Court may deem fit and proper in the facts and circumstances of the case.

AND FOR THIS ACT OF KINDNESS, THE RESPONDENT AS IN DUTY BOUND SHALL EVERY PRAY.

Drawn by:
Rahul Chitnis, Advocate

FILED BY:



SACHIN PATIL
(Advocate for the Respondent)

Drawn On: 08.06.2021
Filed On: 08.06.2021
New Delhi