



**GOVERNMENT OF
KERALA**

Abstract

Home Department - Prisons - Premature release to the eligible prisoners - Sanctioned - Orders issued.

HOME (B) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Ms)No.209/2022/HOME Dated,Thiruvananthapuram,
27-10-2022

1) Note dated:09.12.2016 of Officer on Special Duty to
Read:- Hon'ble Chief Minister

2) G.O.(Rt) No. 2001/2020/Home dated:16.09.2020

3) G.O.(Rt.)No.228/2021/Home dated 22/01/2021.

4) Letter No.WP1-1768/2017/PrHQ Dated:20.11.2021
of the Director General of Prisons and Correctional
Services

5) Report dated:19.01.2022 of the Sub Committee
headed by Additional Law Secretary

6) Minutes of the meeting of the Committee headed by
the Additional Chief Secretary, (Home&Vigilance)
Department held on 03.02.2022

ORDER

As per the note read as 1st paper above it was decided to examine premature release of the prisoners aged 70 years and above in accordance with the rule 456, 457 and 458 of Kerala Prisons and Correctional (Management) Service Rules, 2014.

2) As per the Government order read as 2nd paper above, a Committee comprising Additional Chief Secretary, Home and Vigilance (Chairman & Convenor), Law Secretary (Member) and Director General of Prisons and Correctional Services (Member) was constituted to render opinion to Government regarding premature release of prisoners who have completed sentence of

14 years without remission. The scrutiny of the cases for granting premature release to the male prisoners who are aged 70 years and above, female prisoners who are aged 60 years and above and also prisoners suffering from grave diseases and formulation of guidelines regarding eligibility criteria was also entrusted to the aforesaid committee as per the Government Order read as 3rd paper above.

3) The Committee headed by the Additional Chief Secretary (Home and Vigilance) considered the matter on 21/10/2021 and decided to entrust the Sub Committee comprising the Additional Law Secretary (Chairman), the Joint Secretary, Home Department (Convenor) and the Deputy Inspector General of Prisons (Head Quarters) Member to examine each case, on the basis of the jail wise list of prisoners to be furnished by the Director General of Prisons and Correctional Services.

4) Accordingly, the Director General of Prisons and Correctional Services submitted a list of 64 prisoners vide letter read as 4th paper above. The Sub Committee considered the matter on 18.12.2021 and 27.12.2021 and submitted its report on 19.01.2022, recommending the case of 25 prisoners for premature release vide report read as 5th paper above. The Committee chaired by the Additional Chief Secretary (Home and Vigilance) considered the report on 03.02.2022 and after having examined meticulously the recommendations of the Sub Committee along with all individual details of the prisoners contained in the respective case files the Committee submitted the proposal for premature release of 19 prisoners found eligible by the Committee before the Government as per minutes read as 6th paper above.

5) Accordingly, the Government have examined in detail the recommendations of the Committee headed by the Additional Chief Secretary (Home&Vigilance) Department and decided to approve the proposal, excluding the prisoners who were convicted in the murder of women and children and in rape cases.

6) Hence Government are pleased to grant premature release

to the following 5 prisoners aged 70 years and above and suffering from serious / old age related diseases mentioned below, after remitting their remaining period of sentence, in exercise of powers conferred under Section 161 of the Constitution of India and subject to the condition laid down in rule 470 of the Kerala Prisons and Correctional Services (Management) Rules, 2014.

Sl No	Convict .No and Name	Name of Prison
1	C.No. 4849 Balan S/o Gopalan	Central Prison and Correctional Home, Thiruvananthapuram
2	C.No.6147 Sasidharan Asari S/o Sivaraman	Central Prison and Correctional Home, Thiruvananthapuram
3	C.No.4423 Podiyan @ Esthappan S/o Lazer	Central Prison and Correctional Home, Thiruvananthapuram
4	C.No.1780 Raju S/o Kunjan	Central Prison and Correctional Home, Viyyur
5	C.No.3297 Sreedharan S/o Rarukkutty	Central Prison and Correctional Home, Kannur

(By order of the Governor)

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ADDITIONAL CHIEF SECRETARY

Advocate General, Ernakulam (with C/L)

Principal Secretary to Hon'ble Governor, Raj Bhavan,
Thiruvananthapuram (with C/L)

Principal Accountant General (Audit/A&E) Kerala ,
Thiruvananthapuram

The State Police Chief, Thiruvananthapuram

The Director General of Prisons and Correctional Services,
Thiruvananthapuram

Superintendents of Prisons concerned (Through Director General
of Prisons and Correctional Services)

General Administration (SC) Department (vide item No. 1058

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