



4. When prisoners are to be released, the following categories of prisoners are to be granted leave or release :-

- (i) Offenders classified as 'B' or 'C'.
  - (ii) Prisoners sentenced to imprisonment for 12 months or less under section 197 to 400 of the Code ;
  - (iii) Prisoners whose release is considered dangerous to public peace and tranquillity by the District Magistrate, Superintendent of Police ;
  - (iv) Prisoners who are considered dangerous, or who are involved in serious prison disturbances, or who are guilty of serious offences, such as instigation to riot, strike, etc. ;
- Note.—In case of prisoners mentioned in (iv), the J. P. Board of Prisons will pass orders regarding their release from confinement.
- (v) Prisoners to be released from prisons in disrepair or in need of repair for the purpose of their liberation in such prisons ;
  - (vi) Prisoners to be released in default of suitable arrangements to keep the prisons in order and to maintain good behaviour ;
  - (vii) Prisoners suffering from illness or infirmity ;
- Note.—In case of prisoners mentioned at (v) and (vi), the J. P. Board will decide in accordance with the provisions of the Code ;
- (viii) Prisoners to be released under Assam (General) Rules, 1952 ;
  - (ix) Prisoners to be released whose leave or remission of sentence is not permitted under general orders of the Government.

5. When prisoners are to be released.—Prisoners who are sentenced for offences against the Government or to which the Government are the Union Government, and whose release is likely to be a serious matter elsewhere in the country, shall not be granted leave or remission of sentence by the sanctioning authority without the prior approval of the Government.

6. Eligibility for leave.—The provisions of the Code relating to eligibility for leave for prisoners shall be regulated as follows :—

- (a) Leave shall be granted to a prisoner within a period of six months from the date of his sentence, or the expiry of such term, as may be specified in the order of sentence ;
- (b) A regular prisoner shall be eligible for leave only when all rises of sentence of such prisoner have been exhausted and a least one month's advance notice of his application for leave shall be given to the authority to be placed before the Government.

7. Procedure.—The application for leave shall be submitted to the Director of Prisons, Assam, and the Director shall forward the same to the Government for consideration. The Director shall also forward to the Government the following particulars :

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