



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 09-07-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE MOHAMMED SHAFFIQ

**WP No.25332 of 2026
and
WMP No.27616 of 2026**

Hariharan

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. The Regional Passport Officer,
Regional Passport Office,
New Municipal Complex,
Thillai Nagar 7th Cross,
Thiruchirappalli-620 018.
2. The State
Represented by Inspector of Police,
Thirumanur Police Station,
Ariyalur District.

..Respondent(s)

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying to issue Writ of Certiorarified Mandamus, calling for the records relating to the impugned notice dated 26.5.2025 issued by first respondent in Letter Ref.No.OBJ/1049201381/25 with respect to passport Application No.TR1065031400325 dated 14.5.2025, quash the same as illegal arbitrary and without jurisdiction and consequently direct first respondent to consider and process petitioner's passport application in accordance with law and issue passport to petitioner, within a time frame to be fixed by this Court.



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For Petitioner(s):

Mr.Usharamman

For Respondent(s):

Mr.S.S.Meenakumary
Senior Panel Counsel
for R1Mr.Durai Gunasekaran
Government Advocate (Criminal side)
for R2**ORDER**

The present writ petition has been filed challenging impugned notice dated 26.05.2025 issued by first respondent in Letter Ref.No.OBJ/1049201381/25 with respect to passport Application No.TR1065031400325 dated 14.5.2025 and consequently direct first respondent to consider and process petitioner's passport application in accordance with law and issue passport to petitioner, within a time frame to be fixed by this Court.

2. Learned Senior Panel Counsel for first respondent would submit that charge sheet has been filed, while learned counsel for petitioner would submit that it is only at the stage of FIR.

3. Learned Senior Panel Counsel for first respondent would submit that petitioner may file his response to the notice dated 26.05.2025 and if any such response is filed, the same would be considered and appropriate orders would



be passed, keeping in view the stage of criminal proceedings, in accordance with GSR No.570 (E) dated 25.08.1993 and the judgment of the Full Bench of the Madurai Bench of this Court made in W.P.(MD).No.26547 of 2025 dated 09.02.2026, which was agreed to by learned counsel for petitioner.

4. In view thereof, it is open to petitioner to submit his response to the notice dated 26.05.2026. If any such response is filed, first respondent shall consider the same and pass appropriate orders, keeping in view the stage of criminal proceedings, in accordance with GSR No.570 (E) dated 25.08.1993 and the judgment of the Full Bench of the Madurai Bench of this Court made in W.P.(MD).No.26547 of 2025 dated 09.02.2026, after affording reasonable opportunity of hearing to petitioner, within a period of eight weeks from the date of uploading of web copy without waiting for the receipt of certified copy. It is made clear that this Court has not expressed any views with regard to the merits of the case.

5. Accordingly, writ petition stands disposed of. There will be no order as to costs. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

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Index: Yes/No
Speaking/Non-speaking order
Neutral Citation: Yes/No
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To

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