HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT ALLAHABAD

WRIT - C No. - 36365 of 2026

Santosh Kumar

.....Petitioner(s)

Versus

Union Of India And 5 Others

.....Respondent(s)

Counsel for Petitioner(s)	:	Dhirendra Kumar Bharati, Abhishek Kumar Saroj, Anil Kumar
Counsel for Respondent(s)	:	A.S.G.I., C.S.C., Prem Narayan Rai

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HON'BLE AJIT KUMAR, J.
HON'BLE GARIMA PRASHAD, J.

1. Heard Sri Dhirendra Kumar Bharati, learned counsel for the petitioner as well as Sri Prem Narayan Rai, learned counsel for respondent nos. 1 & 2.

2. By means of this petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution petitioner has prayed for disposal of his application for issuance of passport pending with the concerned Regional Passport Officer.

3. Per contra it is submitted by learned counsel for the respondents that the petitioner has been issued with the show cause notice to explain about the following criminal case which is pending against him:

(i) case crime no. 286 of 2024, under Sections 115(2), 352, 351(2) of B.N.S., Police Station Gaura Badshahpur, District Jaunpur.

4. In our considered view, petitioner should, in the first instance, take steps according to the guidelines and follow the procedures laid down in the judgment of this Court in the case of **Rahimuddin vs. Union of India & Another (Neutral Citation No. – 2025:AHC:181505-DB)** and recently in the case of **Wajiruddin Khan v. Union of India & 2 Others, (Neutral Citation No. – 2026:AHC:138176-DB)** and thereafter, the Regional Passport Officer shall dispose of the application of the petitioner in accordance with guidelines laid down and timeline provided in the aforesaid judgments.

5. With the aforesaid observations and directions, this petition stands disposed of.

(Garima Prashad,J.) (Ajit Kumar,J.)

September 11, 2026
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