

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

**CWP No. 19780 of 2014
Date of decision: 06.01.2015**

Jagdeep	versus	... Petitioner
Union of India		 Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE K. KANNAN

Present: Mr. Manvinder Singh Sidhu, Advocate, for the petitioner.
 Mr. Indreesh Goyal, Advocate, for respondent No.1.

K.Kannan, J.

The petitioner is aggrieved by the denial of passport on the ground that the petitioner was involved in a criminal offense. The petitioner would refer to the fact that only case which was against him was the case which made him guilty for offenses under Section 382 read with Section 34 of the Indian Penal Code and the petitioner was sentenced to a fine of ₹ 2,000/-. The Passport Act ,1967, Section 6(e) dis-entitles a person who is convicted by Court in India for an offence not less than two years and the case that resulted merely an imposition of fine could not be used against him.

The counsel for Union of India states that they have not received any police report and since the State is also not made a party, the Passport Officer cannot vouch the petitioner contention that there is no criminal case against him.

In order that no further time is wasted, I direct respondent No.1 to engage in proper communication with the State Police and elicit its response within a period of four weeks and if there is no report against him, issue proper orders granted to him, the passport.

With these observations, the writ petition is disposed of.

**(K.KANNAN)
JUDGE**

06.01.2015

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