

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

CWP-12167-2016

DATE OF DECISION :14.06.2016

SWAMI SUKH DEVANAND

...Petitioner

Versus

UNION OF INDIA AND ANR

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE M.JEYAPPAUL.

Present: Mr. Akhilesh Vyas, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Vipul Aggarwal, Advocate,
Sr. Panel Counsel for UOI (Respondents No.1 & 2).

Mr. Rajesh Bhardwaj, Addl.A.G., Punjab
for respondent No. 3.

M.JEYAPPAUL, J.

Reply by respondent No.1 and 2 has been filed, which is taken on record.

The writ petition is filed seeking a direction to the second-respondent to return the passport bearing No.L4484016 in the name of the petitioner.

Heard the submissions made on either side. It is found that the writ petitioner surrendered the passport to the second-respondent Regional Passport Officer, District Amritsar, Punjab, the moment it was brought to the notice of the writ petitioner by the second-respondent that a criminal case was pending as against him.

Learned counsel appearing for the 3rd respondent now submits

that the criminal case has culminated in closure report and the same has already been submitted before the competent Court.

In view of the above development in this case, without waiting for the acceptance of the closure report submitted by the 3rd respondent before the competent Court, a direction is issued to the 2nd respondent to return the passport of the petitioner forthwith after obtaining an undertaking from the petitioner that he shall surrender the passport in case the competent criminal Court is pleased not to accept the cancellation report submitted by the 3rd respondent.

With the above directions the writ petition stands disposed of.

(M.JEYAPPAUL)
JUDGE

14.06.2016
Sunil Devi