

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

**Civil Writ Petition No. 18711 of 2016
Date of Decision: 8.9.2016**

Gurnam Singh

.....Petitioner

Vs.

Regional Passport Officer, Jalandhar

.....Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAMESHWAR SINGH MALIK

Present : Mrs. Avinash Mandla, Advocate
for the petitioner.

RAMESHWAR SINGH MALIK J. (ORAL)

Feeling aggrieved against the alleged inaction on the part of respondent authorities, the petitioner has approached this Court, by way of instant writ petition under Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India, seeking a writ in the nature of Mandamus.

Learned counsel for the petitioner, at the very outset, fairly states that although petitioner is seeking only a writ in the nature of Mandamus, yet he did not approach the respondent authorities by moving an appropriate representation, before filing present writ petition. She further submits that given an opportunity, petitioner shall approach the Regional Passport officer, Jalandhar, by moving an appropriate representation within a period of three weeks from today and he may be directed to consider and decide the same, within a reasonable time.

Having heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, lest it should prejudice the rights of either of the parties, the Regional Passport officer, Jalandhar-respondent, is directed that if the petitioner approaches him by moving an appropriate representation within a period of three weeks from today, he shall consider and decide the same at an early date by passing an appropriate order thereon, strictly in accordance with law, but in any case within a period of three months from the date of receipt of representation from the petitioner.

With the abovesaid observations made and directions issued, the present petition stands disposed of.

(RAMESHWAR SINGH MALIK)
JUDGE

8.9.2016
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Whether speaking/reasoned Yes/No
Whether reportable: Yes/No