

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

**CWP No.19877 of 2015
Date of decision: 04.10.2016**

Amritpal Singh

... Petitioner

Vs.

Regional Passport Officer, Jalandhar and another

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAMESHWAR SINGH MALIK

Present: Mr. J.S. Thind, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Indresh Goel, Advocate
for the respondents.

RAMESHWAR SINGH MALIK, J. (ORAL)

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that no doubt, petitioner was involved in FIR No.117 dated 02.05.2009 under Sections 147, 148, 149, 323 IPC and Section 181 of the Motor Vehicles Act, registered at Police Station Sadar Mandi, District Mandi (Himachal Pradesh), but since the maximum sentence, which can be awarded to the petitioner for the abovesaid offences alleged against him, would be maximum one year, besides no offence involving moral turpitude was alleged against the petitioner, the respondent authorities are bound to consider the genuine request of the petitioner for issuance of passport.

The correctness of the abovesaid statement made by learned counsel for the petitioner could not be denied by learned counsel for the respondents and rightly so, it being a matter of record.

In view of the above undisputed fact situation obtaining on the record of the present case, instant writ petition is disposed of, with a direction to Regional Passport Officer, Jalandhar-respondent No.1 to reconsider the claim of the petitioner.

In view of the abovesaid observations made, if the petitioner is otherwise found entitled for issuance of passport, same shall be issued in his favour without any further loss of time. Let respondent No.1 do the needful within a period of six weeks from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

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

[RAMESHWAR SINGH MALIK]
JUDGE

04.10.2016

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Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes/No

Whether reportable

Yes/No