

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

(125)

CWP-11148-2017

Decided on: May 22, 2017.

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.... Petitioner

Versus

The Regional Passport Officer

..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE M.M.S. BEDI

Present: Ms. Suamnjit Kaur, Advocate, for the petitioner.

M.M.S. BEDI, J (ORAL)

Without expression of any opinion regarding the right of the petitioner to get his name changed during pendency of a criminal appeal pending against his conviction, I am of the opinion that the representation of the petitioner seeking a new passport with changed name would be permissible.

Notice to the respondent.

On asking of the Court, Mr. Indresh Goel, Advocate, present in the Court, accepts notice. Copy given.

This petition is disposed of with a direction to the Regional Passport Officer, Chandigarh to consider the representation of the petitioner, Annexure P-5 dated 26.04.2017 for issuance of the passport with changed name, within a period of one month, by passing a speaking order, after the receipt of certified copy of this order.

**(M.M.S. BEDI)
JUDGE**

May 22, 2017

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Whether speaking/reasoned:

Yes/No

Whether reportable:

Yes/No