

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

**CWP No.14706 of 2017
Date of Decision: 12.07.2017**

Barinder Singh

....Petitioner

Vs.

Union of India and others

....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE RAKESH KUMAR JAIN

Present: Mr.Bikramjit Singh Randhawa, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

RAKESH KUMAR JAIN, J. (ORAL)

This petition is filed for seeking a direction to the respondents, who has not decided the application of the petitioner for issuance of passport.

It is submitted that the application was filed way back on 2011. The petitioner had served a legal notice also to the Regional Passport Officer but to no avail. It is further submitted that the petitioner has a right to apply for the passport and the respondents have a corresponding duty either to grant the passport or to refuse but the said issue cannot be kept pending for such a long time.

The argument raised by the counsel for the petitioner appears to be logical and hence, the present petition.

In view of the above, the present petition is hereby disposed of with a direction to the passport authority before whom application of the petitioner (Annexure P-1) is stated to be pending since 2011 to decide the same one way or the other.

**(RAKESH KUMAR JAIN)
JUDGE**

12.07.2017

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Whether speaking/reasoned Yes/No

Whether reportable Yes/No