

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS
DATED: 12.02.2019

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THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE K.RAVICHANDRABAABU

W.P.No.3996 of 2019

Shahul Hameed

...Petitioner

Vs.

The Regional Passport Officer
Regional Passport Office
Ministry of External Affairs
Rayala Towers No.2 & 3, 4th Floor
Old No.785, New No.158,
Anna Salai, Chennai-600 002.

...Respondent

Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondent herein to re-issue the passport to the petitioner by considering the application No.MA1071689682118 dated 03.12.2018 and the representation of the petitioner dated 15.01.2019 in the light of the judgment of this Hon'ble Court in Ashok Muthana Vs. The Regional Passport Officer reported in 2015 (3) CTC 137 within a time frame.

For Petitioner : Mr.I.Abdul Basith

For Respondent : Mr.A.Murugan
Central Government
Standing Counsel

O R D E R

Mr.A.Murugan, learned Central Government Standing Counsel takes notice for the respondent. By consent of the parties, this main writ petition is taken up for final disposal at the admission stage itself.

2. Heard both sides.

3. The petitioner seeks for Mandamus directing the respondent herein to re-issue the Passport to him, by considering his application dated 03.12.2018, followed by the representation dated 15.01.2019.

4. The grievance of the petitioner before this Court is that the said request has not been considered by the respondent so far.

5. This Court, at this stage, is not expressing any view on the merits of the claim made by the petitioner, as it is for the respondent to consider and decide the same on merits and in accordance with law. Thus, this writ petition is disposed of, only by directing the respondent to consider the application dated 03.12.2018 and the representation dated 15.01.2019 of the petitioner and pass orders on the same on merits and in accordance with law. Such exercise shall be done by the respondent within a period of four weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. No costs.

Sd/-

Assistant Registrar(CO)

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Sub Assistant Registrar

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To

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+lcc to Mr.Arumugam,Central Govt.Counsel, High Court,S.R.No.12431
+lcc to Mr.I.Abdul Basith, Advocate, S.R.No.13183

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