

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

**CWP-8400-2019**

**Date of decision: 01.05.2019.**

**SARABJIT SINGH**

**..... Petitioner.**

**Vs.**

**UNION OF INDIA AND OTHERS**

**..... Respondents.**

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA.**

Present: Mr. K.S. Dhillon, Advocate for  
Mr. M. K. Dhot, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Arihant Goyal, Advocate for UOI.

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**TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA, J (ORAL).**

Petitioner seeks a Mandamus for directing the Regional  
Passport Officer, Sector 34, Chandigarh to issue to him a passport.

Brief facts that have been pleaded are that the petitioner had  
applied for issuance of a passport in the year 1999 and after due process  
passport No. A8546689 was issued on 27.12.1999 which was valid up to  
26.12.2009.

Petitioner was implicated in FIR No. 46 dated 09.02.2005  
under Sections 3/4 of Immoral Traffic Act, registered at Police Station City  
Sunam and in the trial that ensued petitioner was convicted. Petitioner is  
stated to have filed Criminal Appeal No.151 of 2013 and vide judgment  
dated 22.12.2014 passed by the learned Additional Sessions Judge, he had  
earned acquittal.

The precise grievance raised in the petition is that his  
application for renewal/issuance of a passport was dealt with and a letter  
dated 07.08.2015 was issued to him informing him that during the course of  
verification the police authorities have raised an objection as regards his  
involvement in FIR No.46 dated 09.02.2005. Counsel argues that even the

petitioner has visited the respondent-passport authorities and has furnished information with regard to the acquittal and even furnished a copy of the judgment of acquittal, yet no further action has been taken.

Notice of motion.

Mr. Arihant Goyal, Advocate, who is present in Court accepts notice on behalf of respondents no.1 and 2 and waives service. A complete copy of writ paper book already stand furnished to him.

Statement of Mr. Arihant Goyal, Advocate is recorded to the effect that in case the petitioner applies afresh for passport along with all supporting/requisite documents, the same would be processed in accordance with law and a final decision would be conveyed to the petitioner within a period of two months from the date of submission of such application.

In the light of such statement having been recorded, no further directions are required to be passed.

Disposed of .

**01.05.2019**

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**(TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA)  
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned  
Whether Reportable

Yes/No  
Yes/No