

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

**CWP No. 10330 of 2019
Date of Decision: 22.04.2019**

MALKIAT SHIGH

..... Petitioner.

Vs.

UNION OF INDIA AND ANR

..... Respondents.

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

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

TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA, J(ORAL)

Petitioner seeks a Mandamus for directing the respondent-authorities to issue to him a new passport.

As per pleadings on record petitioner was issued a passport bearing No. E-2255935 dated 06.06.2002 and valid upto 05.06.2012.

On 27.09.2018 petitioner is stated to have submitted an online application vide file No. CHDA01254702 for re-issuance of a passport along with the requisite fee and other documents.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that till date the status of such application is not known to the petitioner. No intimation/ notice/objections have been raised by the passport authorities and even the passport has not been issued.

Having heard, learned counsel for the petitioner and having perused the pleadings on record, I deem it appropriate to dispose of the instant writ petition without even ascertaining the correctness of the averments made in the petition with the directions to respondent No.2 i.e. the Regional Passport Officer, Passport Office, Industrial Area, Phase-II, Chandigarh that in case the application submitted by the petitioner for re-issuance of a passport is still

pending, the same be processed in accordance with law and the final decision thereupon be taken and conveyed to the petitioner within a period of 6 weeks from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this order.

Disposed of.

22.04.2019

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(TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA)

JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether Reportable: Yes/No