

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

CWP No.10655 of 2019 (O&M)

Date of decision:-03.07.2019

Jagninder Singh

.....Petitioner

versus

Union of India and others

.....Respondents

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

Present:- Mr. Kamaldeep Singh, Advocate for the petitioner.

TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA, J.(ORAL)

Petitioner seeking a mandamus for issuance of direction to the respondent Regional Passport Officer, Jalandhar to issue to him a passport.

Concededly, petitioner faced criminal proceedings and was convicted by the Trial Court vide judgment dated 30.08.2014 for offence under Section 304-B IPC and sentenced to 7 years rigorous imprisonment. Section 6 (2) (e) of the Passport Act contains a specific embargo as regards issuance of a passport to an applicant who has, at any time during the period of five years immediately preceding the date of his application, been convicted by a Court in India for any offence involving moral turpitude and sentenced in respect thereof to imprisonment for not less than two years. Mr. K.S. Sidhu, learned counsel for the petitioner, fairly concedes that embargo noticed hereinabove would squarely apply to the petitioner.

At this stage, he seeks withdrawal of the writ petition and submits that he would file fresh application seeking issuance of a passport

after the time stipulation envisaged under Section 6 (2) (e) has expired.

Writ petition is dismissed as withdrawn.

(TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA)
JUDGE

03.07.2019

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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No