

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

**CWP-36345-2018(O&M)
Date of decision-21.01.2019**

Rajesh Arora

...Petitioner

Vs.

The Regional Passport Officer, Amritsar and another

...Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JITENDRA CHAUHAN

Present: Mr. Sandeep Kumar Passi, Advocate,
 for the petitioner.

Mr. Vikas Mohan Gupta, Addl.A.G., Punjab

JITENDRA CHAUHAN, J.

This writ petition under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India has been filed for the issuance of an appropriate writ, in the nature of mandamus directing the respondents to issue/restore the impounded passport to the petitioner.

Learned counsel the petitioner submits that at the time of filing the application, the petitioner who was the passport holder, was declined the passport, as the petitioner had not reflected the factum of being involved in FIR No.230/2012 registered under Section 420 IPC & Section 66(1) of Information Technology Act, 2000 at Police Station City Ferozepur.

Learned counsel for the petitioner states that at this stage, he would be satisfied, in case his case for issuance of fresh passport is reconsidered by the respondents.

A complete set of paper book has been handed over to Mr. Vikas Mohan Gupta, Addl.A.G., Punjab in the Court today.

Heard.

No fault can be found in the order passed by the competent authorities. However, petitioner shall be free to approach the Passport Authorities with all the particulars for fresh consideration as per law.

In view of the above, without advertng to the merits of the case, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to the respondents to reconsider the case of the petitioner for issuance of fresh passport within six weeks from the receipt of the certified copy of the judgment. In case, on consideration, the competent authority reaches to the conclusion that the request made by the petitioner is admissible to him, in such eventuality, the consequential relief be allowed to him, within a period of six weeks thereafter. However, in case the competent authority feels that the request made by the petitioner is not admissible or made out, in that case, a speaking order be passed in the matter.

(JITENDRA CHAUHAN)
JUDGE

21.01.2019

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Whether speaking/reasoned :	Yes	No
Whether Reportable :	Yes	No