

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

CWP No. 18399 of 2018 (O&M).

Date of Decision: 13.02.2019.

Prinyanka Bawa and another

... Petitioners

Versus

Union of India and others

... Respondents

CORAM : Hon'ble Mr. Justice Jitendra Chauhan

Present : Mr. B.S. Bairagi, Advocate,
for the petitioners.

Ms. Gehna Vaishnavi, Advocate,
for the respondents.

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The applications are allowed as prayed for. Counter affidavit and replication are taken on record subject to all just exceptions.

Main case

Learned counsel for the petitioners states that the passport is not being issued to the petitioners on the ground that in his earlier passport Baldev Dass Bawa mentioned the name of his first wife Rupinder Kaur. It is submitted that after the issuance of passport first wife Rupinder Kaur has been residing separately since 2002. In the interregnum period, said Baldev Dass Bawa started living with Renu Bala @ Rupinder Kaur who died on 27.05.2016.

Learned counsel for the respondents states that the complete facts have not been brought to the notice of the passport authorities.

In this view of the matter, the petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2 to consider and decide the application moved by the petitioners for issuance of passport in the light of the facts reflected above. The petitioners be also afforded an opportunity of hearing. In case the petitioners are found to be eligible for issuance of passport, the needful be done within four weeks and in case the claim of the petitioners is not found to be genuine in that eventuality, a speaking order be passed.

13.02.2019.
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(JITENDRA CHAUHAN)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned :	Yes/No
Whether reportable :	Yes/No