



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 10.07.2020

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE **G.R.SWAMINATHAN**

W.P. (MD)No.5521 of 2020

R.Prakash

... Petitioner

Vs

1.The Regional Passport Officer,
Regional Passport Office,
Bharathi ula veedhi,
Race Course Road,
Madurai - 625 002.

2.The Inspector of Police,
Anjugramam Police Station,
Kanyakumari District.

... Respondents

PRAYER: Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the first respondent to process the petitioner's application pending in his file No.MD2061953875119 dated 12.03.2109 and consequently direct the 1st respondent to issue the passport to the petitioner by considering his representation dated 02.03.2020 within the stipulated time by this Court.

For Petitioner : Mr.S.T.Sasidharan Tamilkani

For Respondents : Mr.V.Kathirveli,
Assistant Solicitor General,
Assisted by Mrs.B.Deepa
Central Govt. Standing Counsel for R1

Mr.S.Angappan
Government Advocate for R2

O R D E R

Heard the learned counsel appearing for the petitioner, the learned Assistant Solicitor General appearing for the first respondent and the learned Government Advocate appearing for the second respondent.

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2.The petitioner seeks issuance of passport. It is seen that the petitioner involved in a criminal case in Crime No.543 of 2016 registered on the file of the second respondent.

3.When the matter was taken up for hearing, the learned Government Advocate appearing for the second respondent submitted that final report has been filed. If that be so, the remedy open to the petitioner is to move the jurisdictional Criminal Court where the final report has been filed. The jurisdictional Criminal Court is directed to take a call with regard to the final report immediately and without delay. Of course this direction to the jurisdictional Criminal Court will come into play immediately after the lockdown is lifted and regular hearings renew.

4.Leaving open the petitioner's right to move the Criminal Court, the writ petition stands dismissed. No costs.

Sd/-

Assistant Registrar (AS)

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Sub Assistant Registrar(CS)

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