

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CWP-42879-2018

Date of decision: 09.11.2020

Bhavandeep Singh

.....Petitioner

versus

Union of India and others

....Respondents

CORAM: Hon'ble Mr. Justice Girish Agnihotri

Present: Mr. B.S. Loomba, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Amrita Singh, Advocate for respondent-UOI.

Mr. Anju Sharma Kaushik, DAG, Punjab.

GIRISH AGNIHOTRI, J. (Oral)

The matter has been taken up through video-conferencing on account of restrictions due to outbreak of pandemic COVID-19.

Petitioner-Bhavandeep Singh, has filed the present petition *inter alia* with a prayer for issuing direction to respondents No.1 & 2 to issue fresh passport.

Records of the case show that on 27.02.2019, notice of motion was issued in the present case. Reply on behalf of the respondents have already been filed.

Learned counsel for respondents No.3 to 5, on Instructions from ASI Sunil Kumar No.196/Ldh, Incharge Chowki, PP Shaheed Bhagat Singh Nagar, PS Dugri, Ludhiana, submits that in the three FIRs, the petitioner has been acquitted.

Learned counsel for respondent No.1-UOI submits that in case, the petitioner approaches the respondent-authorities with a certificate that there is no other FIR against him and in the earlier FIRs, he has been acquitted, they would process the case for issuance of Passport within reasonable time.

The present writ petition is disposed of with the following directions:-

- (i) Petitioner is directed to approach respondents No.3 to 5 within one week from today, with a written request for issuance of an appropriate certificate giving details of FIR/criminal cases, if any pending and/or a certificate that there is no case pending against him and in the previous FIRs, he stands acquitted.
- (ii) In case, the petitioner approaches the Competent Authority-respondents No.3 to 5, within one week from today, necessary certificate would be issued within one week thereafter.
- (iii) The petitioner is directed to approach respondents No.1 & 2 within one week thereafter and the respondents are directed to process the issuance of passport as expeditiously as possible maximum within a period of one month from the date therefrom, in accordance with law.

Ordered accordingly.

(GIRISH AGNIHOTRI)
JUDGE

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