



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 21.01.2021

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

W.P.(MD)No.18551 of 2020

Mohamed Basith

: Petitioner

Vs.

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

2.The Superintendent of Police,  
District Police Office,  
Ramanathapuram District.

3.The Inspector of Police,  
Kilakarai Police Station,  
Kilakarai, Ramanathapuram District.

: Respondents

PRAYER :- Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking a Writ of Mandamus, to direct the 1<sup>st</sup> respondent to issue the passport in respect of petitioner application in File No.MD1073078941720 dated 02.11.2020 within a stipulated time prescribed by this Court.

For Petitioner :Mr.S.A.S.Alaudeen

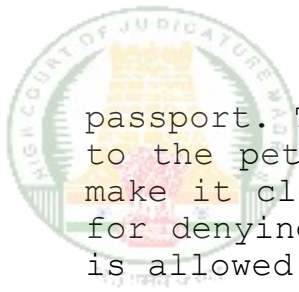
For R1 :Mr.K.Asokkumar Ram

**ORDER**

Heard the learned Counsel on either side.

2.The petitioner has applied for issuance of passport. The said application has been kept pending by citing the pendency of an FIR registered against the petitioner. It is well settled that mere registration of an FIR cannot be a ground for denying issuance of

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passport. Therefore, I direct the first respondent to issue passport to the petitioner, if the petitioner is otherwise eligible. It is make it clear that mere registration of an FIR will not be a ground for denying the relief to the petitioner herein. The Writ Petition is allowed on these terms. No costs.

Sd/-

Assistant Registrar (Crl.Side)

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+1 CC to M/s.K.ASOK KUMAR RAM, Advocate ( SR-1773[F] dated 22/01/2021 )

+1 CC to SGP ( SR-1843[F] dated 22/01/2021 )

+2 CC to M/s.S.A.S.ALAUDEEN, Advocate ( SR-1947[F] dated 25/01/2021 )

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