

**BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT****DATED: 21.06.2022****CORAM****THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE G.R.SWAMINATHAN****W.P. (MD) No.8891 of 2022**

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John Sundarapandian

... Petitioner

Vs.

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

2. The Inspector of Police,
CCB, Chennai.
(R-2 is suo moto impleaded vide
Order dated 14.06.22)

... Respondents

Prayer: Writ petition is filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondent to reissue passport to the petitioner by processing the online application vide application reference (ARN) No:22-1004286263 dated 20.04.2022 within the time framed as fixed by this Court.

For Petitioner : Mr.S. BalaMurugan
For R-1 : Mr.Aayiram K.Selvakumar,
Central Government
Standing Counsel.

For R-2 : Mr.K.Balasubramani,
Special Government Pleader.

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The petitioner is a holder of Indian passport. The period expired on 02.09.2020. He seeks re-issuance of the same. The first respondent had declined to comply with the petitioner's request citing the pendency of a criminal case.

2. The learned Special Government Pleader appearing for the second respondent submitted that crime No.466 of 2014 registered against the petitioner has culminated in C.C.No.4302 of 2022 on the file of the Special Court, CBCID, Egmore. Since the petitioner is presently facing trial, it is only the trial Court that has to pass necessary orders.

3. The petitioner is given liberty to move the trial Court concerned seeking the relief now sought for before this Court. On such application being filed, the same shall be disposed of by the



trial Court concerned on merits and in accordance with law within a period of three weeks thereafter.

4. With this liberty to the petitioner and the direction to the trial Court, this writ petition stands disposed of. I make it clear that I have not gone into the merits of the matter.

Sd/-

Assistant Registrar (CS II)

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Sub Assistant Registrar(CS)

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To:

- 1.The Spl. Judge,
CBCID,Egmore,Chennai.
- 2.The Regional Passport Officer,
The Regional Passport Office,
Bharathi Ula Veethi,
Race Course Road,Madurai.
- 3.The Inspector of Police,
CCB, Chennai.

+1 CC to M/s.S. BALAMURUGAN, Advocate(SR-27188[F] dated
21/06/2022)

+1 CC to M/s.SPL.GP (SR-27705[F] dated 23/06/2022)

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