



W.P.(MD)No.11462 of 2022

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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 05.08.2022

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE G.R.SWAMINATHAN

W.P.(MD)No.11462 of 2022

V.Nagaraj

... Petitioner

Vs

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

2.The Inspector of Police,
Devakottai Taluk Police Station,
Devakottai.
(R.2 is *suo motu* impleaded vide
Court order dated 28.06.2022 in
W.P(MD)No.11462 of 2022)

... Respondents

Prayer: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying to issue a Writ of Mandamus, to direct the respondent to issue Passport to the Petitioner as per his Passport File No.MD1073827555721 dated 23.12.2021 within a stipulated time as fixed by this Court.



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For Petitioner : Mr.S.Bharathy Kannan
For Respondents : Mrs.L.Victoria Gowri
Assistant Solicitor General of India for R.1

Mr.T.Senthil Kumar
Additional Public Prosecutor for R.2

ORDER

Heard the learned counsel on either side.

2.The writ petitioner submitted an application to the first respondent seeking issuance of passport. Since a criminal case has been registered against the petitioner, his application is not being processed. The second respondent clarifies before this Court that the case registered against the writ petitioner is pending only at the FIR stage. Therefore, there is no impediment for processing the petition mentioned application. The first respondent is directed to process the petition mentioned application and issue passport to the petitioner subject to fulfilment of the usual formalities.

3.The writ petition is allowed accordingly. No costs.

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