



W.P(MD)No.16311 of 2022

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 11.08.2022

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE G.R.SWAMINATHAN

W.P(MD)No.16311 of 2022

Suvindgon Bose

... Petitioner

Vs.

1.The Regional Passport Office,
Regional Passport Office,
Bharathi Ula Street,
Race Course Road,
Madurai – 625 002.

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

... Respondents

*(R2 is impleaded vide order dated 11.08.2022 in
W.M.P.(MD)No.12180 of 2022 in
W.P.(MD)No.16311 of 2022 by GRSJ)*

Prayer : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of Mandamus, to direct the 1st respondent to re-issue the Passport to the petitioner in Passport No.J0156499 by considering his application in File Number MD01C50577777521 dated 27.12.2021 within a time frame as fixed by this Court.



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For Petitioner : Mr.R.Gowrishankar

For Respondents : Mr.P.Paulpandi,
Senior Panel Counsel for R1.
Mr.M.Sarangan,
Addl. Government Pleader for R2.

ORDER

Heard the learned counsel on either side.

2.The petitioner was holding an Indian passport. He seeks renewal of the same. Since the petitioner got involved in a criminal case, the first respondent did not process the petitioner's application. It is now stated by the learned Additional Government Pleader for the second respondent that the criminal case is pending only at the FIR stage. It has been held time and again that pendency of a criminal case at the FIR stage cannot be an impediment for processing the petitioner's request for issuance of passport. Therefore, the first respondent is directed to reissue passport to the petitioner by considering the petition mentioned application subject to fulfilment of other formalities.

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

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