



W.P(MD)No.17462 of 2022

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 04.08.2022

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE G.R.SWAMINATHAN

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Sharik Ahamed

... Petitioner

Vs.

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

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

... Respondents

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 reissue the passport by extending the period of validity in Passport No.V1625297, by considering the petitioner's application dated 02.06.2022 in Application No.22-2002027196.

For Petitioner : Mr.G.Aravinthan

For Respondents : Mr.L.Victoria Gowri,
Assistant Solicitor General for R1
Mr.M.Sarangan,
Addl. Government Pleader for R2.



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ORDER

Heard the learned counsel on either side.

2.The petitioner is a holder of Indian passport. He is presently abroad. Since he is involved in a criminal case, the validity of the passport has been restricted to 28.09.2022. The petitioner seeks extension of same by one more year. The petitioner has given an on-line application also. The learned Additional Government Pleader for the second respondent clarifies that the criminal case registered against the petitioner is only at the FIR stage. Therefore, there cannot be any impediment. The first respondent is directed to process the petitioner's on-line application and extend the same by one more year subject to fulfilment of usual formalities.

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

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