



W.P(MD)No.17741 of 2022

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 08.08.2022

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE G.R.SWAMINATHAN

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... Petitioner

Vs.

1.The Regional Passport Officer,
Regional Passport Office,
Madurai District.

2.The Inspector of Police,
Karungal Police Station,
Madurai.

... 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 issue passport based on the petitioner's application bearing File No.MD 2064215608122 dated 17.05.2022 without reference to the criminal case in Crime No.162 of 2014 pending on the file of the 2nd respondent police, Karungal Police Station, Kanyakumari District by considering the representation of the petitioner dated 21.06.2022 within a stipulated time fixed by this Court.



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For Petitioner : Mr.S.C.Heorld Singh

For Respondents : Mrs.L.Victoria Gowri,
Central Govt. Standing Counsel for R1.
Mr.M.Prakash,
Addl. Government Pleader for R2

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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