

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

CWP-5540-2021

Date of decision : 19.05.2022

Jugraj Singh and another

.....Petitioners

Versus

Union of India and others

....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAVI SHANKER JHA, CHIEF JUSTICE
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN PALLI

Present: Mr. P.S. Jammu, Advocate,
for the petitioners.

Mr. Satya Pal Jain, Addl. Solicitor General of India, with
Ms. Shweta Nahata, Advocate,
for respondents No.1 to 3.

Mr. Avneet Avasthi, Asst. Advocate General, Punjab.

RAVI SHANKER JHA, CHIEF JUSTICE (Oral)

This petition has been filed by the petitioners being aggrieved by an order dated 18.01.2021 (Annexure P-2), issued by respondent No.3, directing respondent No.6 to initiate necessary action against petitioner No.1 for his over-stay in India.

Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that during the pendency of this petition, petitioner No.1 was informed by the respondent-authorities to file a proper application under the relevant provisions of law, pursuant to which he applied for grant of Indian citizenship. The said application is pending before the respondent-authorities and is under consideration. He further submits that in such circumstances, while continuing the interim arrangement made by this Court vide order dated 09.03.2021, this petition may be disposed of

directing the respondent-authorities to consider and take a decision on the application of petitioner No.1 seeking Indian citizenship.

Learned Additional Solicitor General of India submits that the application filed by petitioner No.1 has been received by the authorities and is under process, which shall be decided expeditiously in accordance with law, preferably within a period of two months. He further submits that till then, the interim arrangement made by this Court would be honoured by the respondent-authorities.

In view of the aforesaid statement made by learned Addl. Solicitor General of India, petition stands disposed of accordingly.

(RAVI SHANKER JHA)
CHIEF JUSTICE

(ARUN PALLI)
JUDGE

May 19, 2022
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Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No