

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

CWP-10328-2022

Date of Decision: 16.05.2022

Harwinder Singh

....Petitioner

VS

Union of India and others

....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUDHIR MITTAL

Present:- Mr. Bhupinder K. Bhangu, Advocate
for the petitioner

SUDHIR MITTAL, J. (Oral)

The petitioner has applied for issuance of the passport but the application has not been processed on account of pendency of a criminal trial under the NDPS Act, 1985.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is on bail in the aforementioned case and thus, the passport authorities were not justified in refusing to issue the passport.

The argument has no merit. Admittedly, a criminal trial is pending and even though the petitioner may be on bail in the said case the passport authorities would be justified in refusing to issue the passport. The petitioner, however, has the right to apply before the trial Court for issuance of the passport.

Faced with this situation, learned counsel for the petitioner wishes to withdraw this petition with liberty to approach the concerned trial Court.

Dismissed as withdrawn with the aforementioned liberty.

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JUDGE