



W.P.No.23202 of 2023

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 08.08.2023

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MR.JUSTICE N.SESHASAYEE

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Selvendrasudhan

... Petitioner

Vs.

The Regional Passport Officer
The Regional Passport Office
1st Floor, Corporation Commercial Complex
Opp. Thandumariamman Kovil
Avinasi Road
Coimbatore 641081

... Respondent

PRAYER: The writ petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a writ of Mandamus, directing the respondent to pass order on the representation dated 23.06.2023 sent by the petitioner herein to drop all further proceedings initiated to impound the petitioner's passport No.W1355851 dated 06.10.2022.

For Petitioner : Mr.T.Shunmugarajeswaran

For Respondent : Mr.K.Ramanamoorthy
Central Government Counsel

ORDER



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By consent, this writ petition is taken up for final disposal at the admission stage itself.

2.The petitioner was served with a notice by the passport authority, as to why his passport should not be impounded. The petitioner has shown cause through his representation and also requires whatever action proposed to be dropped.

3.Mr.K.Ramanamoorthy, the learned Central Government Counsel has taken notice for the respondent and makes a statement on instructions that the present representation for dropping action vis-a-vis contemplated impounding of petitioner's passport is premature, since the authority is yet to take a decision as to whether petitioner's passport at all needs to be impounded. The learned counsel submitted that even the enquiry on the show cause notice is not complete.

4.This Court, now directs the passport authority to give the petitioner a right of hearing before taking a final decision on the show cause notice it has issued.

5.This writ petition stands disposed of accordingly. No costs.



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