



W.P(MD)No.547 of 2023

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 01.02.2023

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE G.R.SWAMINATHAN

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Mubarakali

... Petitioner

Vs.

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

2.The Inspector of Police,
Sayalkudi Police Station,
Ramanathapuram 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 respondent to re-issue the petitioner's passport vide file No.MD1074641482722, dated 03.10.2022.

For Petitioner : Mr.R.Venkateswaran

For Respondents : Mr.K.Gokul for R1

: Mr.B.Thanga Aravindh
Government Advocate (Crl.side) for R2



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ORDER

Heard the learned counsel on either side.

2. The petitioner seeks issuance of passport. He submitted an application before the first respondent. Apprehending that it may not be processed in view of his involvement in a criminal case, the present writ petition came to be filed.

3. When the matter was taken up for hearing, the learned Standing counsel submitted that the petitioner is shown as accused in Crime No.170 of 2022 registered on the file of Sayalkudi police station. However, he admitted that final report is yet to be filed. Since the case is pending only at the FIR stage, there is no impediment for the first respondent to grant the relief sought for in the writ petition.

4. However, the petitioner has to appear before the second respondent and file an affidavit indicating his contact details. The petitioner has to furnish his mobile phone details as well as email details. This is because if any final report is filed adverse to the petitioner and the same is taken on file by the jurisdictional Magistrate, it could be possible to serve summons on the



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petitioner. The petitioner also must give an undertaking that the prosecution initiated against him will not be stalled, on account of his absence in India. If necessary, the petitioner will have to execute Special Vakalath in future so that he can be represented in the proceedings.

5. The petitioner shall file such an affidavit before the second respondent within a period of two weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. After complying with the terms set out in the aforesaid undertaking, the first respondent is directed to process the petition mentioned application and issue passport subject to fulfilment of the other usual formalities.

6. This writ petition stands allowed. No costs.

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To

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