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W.P.(MD)NO.28583 OF 2023

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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DATED: 18.12.2023

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE G.R.SWAMINATHAN

W.P.(MD)No.28583 of 2023

Jesu Raj

... Petitioner

Vs.

1. The Regional Passport Officer,
Regional Passport Office,
W4VR+768, Bharathi Ula Road,
Near Thamarai Thotti Bus Stop,
KK Nagar, Ramaond Reserve Line,
Madurai – 625 002.

2. The Inspector of Police,
Koodankulam police station,
Koodankulam,
Tirunelveli District.

... Respondents

Prayer: Writ petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a Writ of Mandamus, to direct the 1st respondent to handover the petitioner's passport which bears No.N3225631 was impounded by the 1st respondent without following the procedure of law.

For Petitioner : Mr.V.Rajiv Rufus

For R-1 : Mr.T.Mahendran

For R-2 : Mr.A.Albert James,
Government Advocate.

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ORDER

Heard both sides.

2. The petitioner seeks re-issuance of passport.

3. The petitioner's passport was impounded by the first respondent. The only reason for doing so is that his involvement in Koodankulam agitation.

4. Considering the nature of offence, the first respondent is directed to return the passport to the petitioner without any delay. The petitioner of course has to give an undertaking before the second respondent that about his contact details and his readiness to appear as and when required. The first respondent on being satisfied with such an undertaking, the passport shall be returned. This writ petition stands allowed. No costs.

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