

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

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CWP-330 of 2023

Date of Decision:09.01.2023

Karaj Singh

....Petitioner(s)

Versus

Union of India and another

.....Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASGURPREET SINGH PURI

Present: Mr. K. R. Dhawan, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

JASGURPREET SINGH PURI, J. (Oral)

This civil writ petition has been filed under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a writ in the nature of *mandamus*, directing the respondent No.2, i.e. the Regional Passport Office, Jalandhar to add/correct the name of adopted parents of the petitioner on his passport No.M1475239 issued by respondent No. 2.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the petitioner had applied for change of the name of the father of the petitioner after the adoption deed which was executed although earlier but it was a registered adoption deed and thereafter even the name of the adopted father was incorporated in school certificate as well. He submitted that on the basis of adoption deed, the name of the father was changed, there is no impediment for respondent No. 2 to have made the corrections in the passport. He submitted that legal notice dated 02.11.2022 was served to respondent No. 2 vide Annexure P-13, but no action has been taken in this regard,

nor the legal notice has been replied or decided.

Notice of motion.

Mr. Arvind Seth, Advocate accepts notice on behalf of respondent No. 2 only and has stated that he has no objection in case the legal notice issued to respondent No.2 vide Annexure P-13 is considered and decided in accordance with law.

In view of the aforesaid facts and circumstances, this Court is of the view that even without calling for reply from the respondents, the present petition can be disposed of at this stage and without observing anything on the merits of the case, respondent No.2 is directed to consider and decide the legal notice Annexure P-13 stated to have been issued by the petitioner to respondent No.2.

Consequently, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2 to consider and decide the legal notice Annexure P-13 strictly in accordance with law by passing a speaking order within a period of three months from today.

(JASGURPREET SINGH PURI)
JUDGE

January 09, 2023
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Whether speaking	:	Yes/No
Whether reportable	:	Yes/No