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

CWP-15998-2023

Date of Decision:27.07.2023

JHALMAN SINGH

..... Petitioner

Versus

UNION OF INDIA AND ORS.

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JAGMOHAN BANSAL

Present : Mr. Shakti Bhardwaj, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. K.K. Jund, Senior Panel Counsel,
for the respondents- UOI.

JAGMOHAN BANSAL, J. (Oral)

1. The petitioner through instant petition under Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India is seeking quashing of order dated 18.05.2023 (Annexure P-1) whereby respondent has rejected application of the petitioner seeking passport.

2. The petitioner applied for passport on 24.02.2023. The application of the petitioner has been declined on the ground that one criminal case is pending against the petitioner.

3. An FIR No. 6 dated 06.11.2005 was registered against the petitioner. The police after completing investigation filed its report and petitioner came to be convicted vide order dated 06.03.2009 passed by Special Judge, Chandigarh. The petitioner preferred CRA-S-719-SB-2009 before this Court which stands admitted. The sentence of the petitioner has been suspended vide order dated 02.04.2009 passed by this Court.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner *inter alia* contends that case of the petitioner is squarely covered by Judgment dated 14.07.2023 passed by this Court in ***Mohan Lal @ Mohna vs. Union of India and others, CWP No. 27167 of 2018.***

5. Learned counsel for the respondent does not dispute the fact that issue involved in the present case is squarely covered by judgment of this Court dated 14.07.2023 passed in CWP No. 27167 of 2018.

6. The instant petition stands disposed of in view of aforesaid judgment and passport authorities are directed to pass order in the same terms.

7. It is made clear that if file of the petitioner has already been closed, the petitioner would be at liberty to file fresh application which thereafter shall be decided within 8 weeks.

(JAGMOHAN BANSAL)
JUDGE

27.07.2023
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Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
<i>Whether Reportable</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>