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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CWP-26122-2018

Date of Decision:21.08.2023

GULAB SINGH

..... Petitioner

Versus

UNION OF INDIA AND ORS

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JAGMOHAN BANSAL

Present : Mr. Prashant Bansal, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Karan Bhardwaj, Advocate
for the respondents.

JAGMOHAN BANSAL, J. (Oral)

1. The petitioner through instant petition under Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India is seeking direction to respondents to issue passport.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner *inter alia* contends that petitioner vide Application Reference No.(ARN) 180011815278 dated 27.07.2018 applied for the passport and respondent has not issued passport on the ground that petitioner has been convicted in the NDPS matter.

3. An FIR No.168 dated 23.08.2008, under Section 15 of NDPS Act, 1985 was registered against the petitioner. The petitioner came to be convicted and was awarded sentence of 10 years. The petitioner preferred appeal No. CRA-3265-SB of 2013 before this Court.

The sentence of the petitioner came to be suspended vide order dated

06.10.2017 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 respondents does not dispute the fact that issue involved in the present case is squarely covered by judgment of this Court 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.

(JAGMOHAN BANSAL)
JUDGE

21.08.2023
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Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
<i>Whether Reportable</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>