

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

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CWP-17397-2023

Date of Decision: 01.09.2023

Jagroop Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

Union of India and Others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JAGMOHAN BANSAL

Present:- Mr. Amrinderjit Singh Sandhu, Advocate for the petitioner

Mr. Amit Sharma, Advocate
for the Union of India-respondent Nos.1 to 3

Mr. Deepanjay Sharma, DAG, Punjab

JAGMOHAN BANSAL, J. (Oral)

1. The petitioner, through instant petition under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India, is seeking direction to the respondents to re-issue/renew his passport.

2. The petitioner applied for passport and he was not issued the same because of pendency of FIR No.24 dated 19.04.2018 under Sections 21 of Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957 and Sections 379/120-B of IPC registered at Police Station Behni Mian Khan, District Gurdaspur against him.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner *inter alia* contends that this Court vide order dated 23.09.2019 (Annexure P-5) passed in CRM-

M-40700-2019 has directed the Trial Court to adjourn the mater beyond the date fixed before this Court. The said petition is still pending and Trial Court has not proceeded with the trial. He further submits that the Central Government has issued instruction dated 14.03.2023 whereby it has been provided that passport authority would consider application seeking passport depending upon nature of stay granted by the higher courts.

4. Mr. Amit Sharma, learned counsel for respondent Nos.1 to 3 does not dispute the instructions issued by Central Government and assures the Court that competent authority would look into the matter and pass an appropriate order in view of the instructions dated 14.03.2023 within 6 weeks from today.

5. In the wake of statement of learned counsel for the respondent Nos.1 to 3, the present petition stands disposed of.

(JAGMOHAN BANSAL)
JUDGE

01.09.2023
Mohit Kumar

<i>Whether speaking/reasoned</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>
<i>Whether reportable</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>