

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

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2023:PHHC:111167

CWP No.18640 of 2023

Date of Decision:24.08.2023

Dr. Kuldip Singh Sidhu

....Petitioner

VS.

Union of India and others

....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JAGMOHAN BANSAL

Present: Mr. Sukhandeep Singh, Advocate
for the petitioner

Ms. Shweta Nahata, Advocate
for the Union of India

JAGMOHAN BANSAL, J. (ORAL)

1. The petitioner through the instant petition under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India is seeking direction to respondent No. 3 to process his online application seeking re-issuance of passport.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner inter alia contends that petitioner was issued passport on 23.11.2013 which was valid upto 22.11.2023. An FIR No. 12 dated 14.02.2020, under Sections 498-A and 406 of IPC was registered against the petitioner at Police Station Women Cell, District Bathinda. The petitioner has preferred CRM-M- 26490 of 2020 before this Court seeking setting aside of the aforesaid FIR. This Court vide order dated 07.09.2020 issued notice of motion and stayed further proceedings arising out of the aforesaid FIR. The case of the petitioner is

squarely covered by Office Memorandum dated 10.10.2019 read with recent Office Memorandum dated 14.03.2023.

3. Ms. Shweta Nahata, counsel for Union of India, who on advance notice is present in Court, submits that competent authority would decide application of the petitioner within six weeks from today after considering Office Memorandum dated 10.10.2019 as well as Office Memorandum dated 14.03.2023.

4. In the wake of statement of learned counsel for Union of India, the instant petition stands disposed of.

(JAGMOHAN BANSAL)
JUDGE

24.08.2023
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Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes
Whether reportable: Yes/No