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

CWP-22360-2023

Date of Decision:19.10.2023

HARDEEP SINGH

..... Petitioner

Versus

UNION OF INDIA AND ORS.

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JAGMOHAN BANSAL

Present : Mr. B.S, Baath, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Saigeeta Srivastava, Central Govt. Counsel
for the respondent- Union of India.

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 respondents No.1 to 3 to re-issue him passport.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner *inter alia* contends that petitioner at present is staying in Italy and his passport has already expired. On account of an FIR No.308 dated 07.11.2020, under Sections 353, 186, 323 and 34 of IPC registered at Police Station Dinanagar, District Gurdaspur, pending against the petitioner, the police had furnished adverse report and on the basis of said report passport authority of India had further forwarded adverse report to Indian Embassy at Rome.

3.

Learned State counsel, at the outset, submits that petitioner has been found innocent in aforesaid FIR and no challan has been presented against him.
4.

Learned counsel for the respondent- UOI submits that application of the petitioner has already been closed and if he files fresh application, an appropriate report in terms of statement of learned State counsel shall be forwarded.
5.

In the wake of statements of both sides, the petition stands disposed of. It is made clear that respondent- UOI shall forward report within 4 weeks from the date of receipt of fresh application/communication.

(JAGMOHAN BANSAL)

JUDGE

19.10.2023

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