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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA  
AT CHANDIGARH

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CWP-807-2023

Date of Decision: 03.02.2023

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Amrinder Singh

..... Petitioner

Versus

Union of India and others

..... Respondents

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASGURPREET SINGH PURI**

Present: Mr. Jatinder Nagpal, Advocate for the petitioner.

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**JASGURPREET SINGH PURI, J. (ORAL)**

The present writ petition has been filed under Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a writ in the nature of *mandamus* directing respondents No.2 & 3 to issue passport of the petitioner in view of the judgments passed in “*Daler Singh Vs. Union of India and others*”, (CWP-12143-2015) and “*Sahib Jaskaran Singh Vs. Union of India and others*” 2016(2) RCR (Criminal) 798, in the interest of justice.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the petitioner had filed an application on 05.12.2022 for grant of passport to respondent No.2 but the same has not been processed by the Passport Authorities. He further submitted that the passport has not been issued by the Passport Authorities in view of the fact that the petitioner is involved in FIR No.02, dated 28.02.2019, under Sections 25, 54 & 59 of the Arms Act, registered at Police Station Airport, Mohali and submitted that mere pendency of an FIR itself cannot become a ground for denial of passport in view of the aforesaid two judgments. He

submitted that he will be satisfied in case time bound directions are issued to the Passport Authority to consider his application in accordance with law and finalize the same.

On the other hand, Mr. Karan Kumar Jund, Advocate has caused appearance on behalf of respondents-Passport Authorities and has submitted that the application filed by the petitioner is still in process and the same will be finalized in due course and strictly in accordance with law.

I have heard the learned counsel for the parties.

In view of the aforesaid limited prayer made by the learned counsel for the petitioner, this Court deems it fit and proper to dispose of the present writ petition. Consequently, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent Nos.2 & 3 to consider and process the application filed by the petitioner and to proceed with the same strictly in accordance with law.

Let the entire exercise be completed within a period of three months from today.

**03.02.2023***Bhumika***(JASGURPREET SINGH PURI)  
JUDGE**

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| 1. Whether speaking/reasoned: | Yes/No |
| 2. Whether reportable:        | Yes/No |