

**HIGH COURT OF JAMMU & KASHMIR AND LADAKH
AT JAMMU**

Case No. :- WP(C) No. 2789/2023
CM No. 6573/2023

**Mr. Harwinder Singh, Aged 32
years, S/o S. Lakhvir Singh, R/o
Village Malikpur, P/o Miran
Sahib, R.S. Pura, Jammu.**

.....Petitioner(s)
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Through: Mr. Jamrodh Singh, Advocate.

Vs

**1. Union of India Th.
Secretary, Ministry of External
Affairs, Govt. of India,
New Union Civil Secretariat,
New Delhi;**

..... Respondent(s)

**2. The Chief Passport Officer,
Ministry of External Affairs,
PSP Division, Ministry of
External Affairs, Room No.
30-D, 2nd Floor, Patiala House,
Tilak Marg, New Delhi;**

**3. The Regional Passport Officer,
Regional Passport Officer,
(Jammu). Aquaf Trust Market
Building, Gandhi Nagar,
Jammu;**

**4. Station House Officer, Police
Station, Miran Sahib,
Government of UT of J&K.**

Through: Mr. Vishal Sharma, DSGI for R-1 to 3.
Ms. Aparna Gupta, Advocate vice
Mrs. Monika Kohli, Sr. AAG for R-4.

Coram: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE WASIM SADIQ NARGAL, JUDGE

**ORDER
24.05.2024**

(ORAL)

1. In the instant petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, the petitioner seeks quashment of the Communication No. SCN/324713418/23 dated 09.10.2023 issued by the respondent No. 3, with further direction to the respondents to issue the new passport in his favour, as the earlier one has been lost.

2. Ms. Aparna Gupta, Assisting counsel to Mrs. Monika Kohli, Sr. AAG, appearing on behalf of respondent No. 4, fairly submits that as per police verification (CID) report, there is nothing adverse against the petitioner and, thus, now, it is for the respondent Nos. 2 and 3 to issue passport in favour of the petitioner under Passport Act and insofar as the respondent No. 4 is concerned, the said respondent has already given a favourable report in favour of the petitioner.

3. *On the other hand*, Mr. Vishal Sharma, learned DSGI, appearing on behalf of respondent Nos. 1 to 3 also concurs with the submission made by the Assisting counsel appearing vice Mrs. Monika Kohli, Sr. AAG for respondent No. 4.

4. Heard.

5. *Admit.*

6. With the consent of learned counsel for the parties, the instant petition is taken up for a final disposal and is, accordingly, disposed of with a direction to the respondent No. 3 to consider the case of the petitioner for grant of passport strictly in conformity with the Passport Act and the rules framed thereunder within a period of two weeks from today, if there is no other legal impediment by taking into consideration the CID Verification Report.

7. The writ petition is *disposed of* alongwith all connected applications, in the manner indicated above.

(Wasim Sadiq Nargal)
Judge

JAMMU
24.05.2024
Ram Krishan

Whether the order is speaking?	Yes/No
Whether the order is reportable?	Yes/No