

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

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**2024:PHHC:019759
CWP No.3178 of 2024
Date of Decision:13.02.2024**

Sukhwinder Kaur and another

....Petitioners

VS.

Union of India and others

....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JAGMOHAN BANSAL

Present: Mr. Vipin Mahajan, Advocate
for the petitioners

Ms. Shweta Nahata, Senior Panel Counsel
for the Union of India

Mrs. Anu Chatrath, Addl. A.G., Punjab

JAGMOHAN BANSAL, J. (ORAL)

1. The petitioners through instant petition under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India are seeking direction to respondent No. 1 to issue Emergency Travel Certificate to them.

2. The petitioner No. 1 i.e. Sukhwinder Kaur solemnized marriage with Gurmit Singh on 28.04.2017. She alongwith her husband shifted to South Africa. On account of matrimonial discord, she, at present, is not staying with her husband though is living in South Africa. She is blessed with three kids. She has lost her as well as son's passport in South Africa.

The petitioners want to come back to India and for the said purpose, they have applied for Emergency Travel Certificate.

3. Notice of motion.
4. Ms. Shweta Nahata, Senior Panel Counsel for Union of India, who on advance notice is present in Court, accepts notice and waives service.
5. Ms. Shweta Nahata submits that passport authority would look into the matter and at the earliest, Emergency Travel Certificate would be issued to the petitioners.
6. In the wake of statement of counsel for Union of India, the petition stands disposed of with a direction to passport authorities to adjudicate claim of the petitioners within four weeks from today.

(JAGMOHAN BANSAL)
JUDGE

13.02.2024
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Whether speaking/reasoned:	Yes	
Whether reportable:		No