

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CWP-15353-2024
Date of decision:25.09.2024

ARSHDEEP SINGH
Versus
UNION OF INDIA AND OTHERS

....Petitioner
...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ALOK JAIN

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

Ms. Amrita Singh, Advocate
for respondents No.1 and 2-UOI.

Mr. S.S. Hira, DAG, Punjab for respondent No.3.

ALOK JAIN. J.(Oral)

1. The present petition has been filed under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a writ, order or direction, especially in the nature of mandamus, so as to direct the respondents-passport authorities (respondents No.1 and 2) to issue the passport of the petitioner, as the same is not being issued because of pendency of FIR dated 01.11.2016 (Annexure P-1).
2. Learned counsel for the respondent-UOI submits that the file of the petitioner is under process and the report from the Police authorities is awaited and the learned State counsel has reiterated the submissions made in the short reply dated 22.08.2024.
3. In the light of the above, what comes out is that since the challan has not been presented in the above case, therefore, there is no situation that the Court has taken any cognizance of the said FIR.

4. In view of the above, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to the State to promptly respond to the query raised by the passport authorities, as per the order passed by the Co-ordinate Bench of this Court in the case of **Balwinder Singh Vs. Union of India and Others**, CWP-19314-2020, decided on 13.09.2023, within 15 days from today and the authorities shall process the file of the petitioner expeditiously, in accordance with law.
5. The present petition is disposed of with the aforesaid direction.

25.09.2024
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(ALOK JAIN)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned.	:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable.	:	Yes/No