



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CWP-31315-2024 (O&M)
Date of Order:21.11.2024

HARPREET SINGH
Versus

.Petitioner

UNION OF INDIA AND OTHERS

..Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL KSHETARPAL

Present: Mr.Ram Kumar Chauhan, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Amit Sharma, Sr. Panel Counsel
for the respondents-Union of India

ANIL KSHETARPAL, JUDGE (Oral)

1. In this writ petition, the petitioner prays for issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus directing respondent nos. 2 and 3 to re-issue him a passport, pursuant to his application dated 28.07.2024.

2. From the averments made in the writ petition, it is evident that the petitioner is an accused in FIR No.162, dated 14.10.2018, registered under Section 15 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985, Police Station Bhogpur, District Jalandhar. The petitioner does not dispute that the trial of the case is pending.

3. The learned counsel representing the respondents, who appears on supply of an advance copy of the writ petition, submits that the petitioner has been repeatedly requested to disclose the status of the case pending under the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985, but he has failed to respond.



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4. Keeping in view the aforesaid facts, the writ petition is disposed of with liberty to the petitioner to visit the office of Regional Passport Officer, Jalandhar, along with all requisite documents to enable the Regional Passport Officer to process the petitioner's application.

5. All the pending miscellaneous applications, if any, are also disposed of.

(ANIL KSHETARPAL)
JUDGE

November 21, 2024
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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No
Whether reportable : **Yes/No**