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WP No. 20158 of 2025



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 06-06-2025

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THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE N. ANAND VENKATESH

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1. S.Dhanush Kanth Suman
S/o.Subanantham, Flat No.2C,
Ambiente Paradise, Aishwarya Nagar
1st Street, Kil Ayanambakkam,
Vanagaram, Tiruvallur.

Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. The Regional Passport Officer
Office Of The Regional Passport, 103,
First Floor, Navins Presidium, Nelson
Manickam Rd, Aminjikarai,
Chennai,Tamil Nadu-600 029.

2.The Inspector Of Police
Virugambakkam Police Station,
Koyambedu District, Crime No.137
Of 2023.

Respondent(s)

PRAYER

Writ petition filed under Article 226 of Constitution of India for the issue of writ of Mandamus directing the 1st Respondent to reissue / renew the passport



bearing no. M1893046 to the Petitioner by processing his application in file No. MA2077273970125 based on the petitioner application dated 06.01.2025 and pass orders.

For Petitioner(s): Mr. P.Kannan Kumar
For Respondent(s): Mr.S.Dilliraj,
Central Government Standing
Counsel for R1
Mr.Leonard Arul Joseph Selvam
Government Advocate [Crl Side]
for R2

ORDER

This writ petition has been filed for the issue of writ of Mandamus directing the 1st respondent to renew the passport of the petitioner by processing the application submitted by the petitioner on 06.01.2025.

2. Heard Mr.P.Kannan Kumar, learned counsel for the petitioner and Mr.S.Dilliraj, learned Central Government Standing Counsel for 1st respondent and Mr.Leonard Arul Joseph Selvam, learned Government Advocate [Crl Side] for 2nd respondent.

3. It is brought to the notice of this Court that the 1st respondent has not renewed the passport of the petitioner on the ground that there is a FIR pending against the petitioner in Crime No.137 of 2023 on the file of the 2nd



respondent.

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4. It is now too well settled that the mere registration of an FIR which is pending investigation, is not a ground for denying the issuance or renewal of passport since it cannot be construed as a case pending. Therefore, the mere registration of the FIR will not be a ground for the 1st respondent to refuse/renew the passport.

5. In the light of the above discussion, there shall be a direction to the 1st respondent to act upon the application submitted by the petitioner on 06.01.2025 and renew the passport, if the petitioner has satisfied all the other requirements. It is made clear that the FIR that is pending should not be put against the petitioner. This process shall be completed by the 1st respondent within a period of four weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

6. This writ petition is disposed of with the above directions. No costs.

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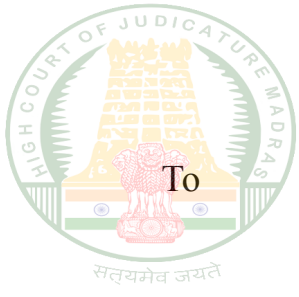
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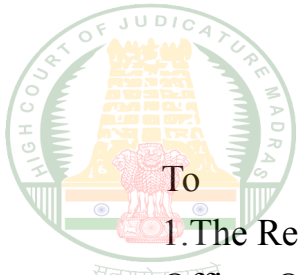


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