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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 24-07-2025

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THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE N. ANAND VENKATESH

WP No. 27498 of 2025

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Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. The Regional Passport Office
At Chennai Rayala Towers,
No.2 and 3, IV Floor,
Old No. 785 New No. 158,
Anna Salai Chennai 600 002

2.The State Rep. By Inspector Of Police
R1 Mambalam Police Station,
No.1, Madley Road,
T.Nagar Chennai 17

Respondent(s)

PRAYER Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a Writ of Mandamus, direct the 1st respondent to re-issue the passport of the petitioner made vide file no.MA1075637898523 dated 07.08.2023.



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For Petitioner(s): Mr.Avinash Wadhwani

For Respondent(s): Mr.R.Sugumar
Central Government Standing Counsel for R1

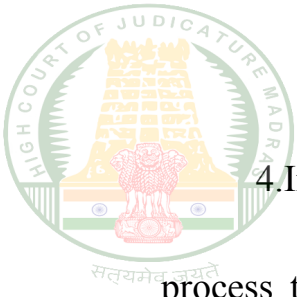
Mr.V.Meganathan
Government Advocate for R2

ORDER

This writ petition has been filed for issue of writ of mandamus directing the 1st respondent to act upon the application submitted by the petitioner on 07.08.2023, wherein the petitioner has sought for the reissuance of passport.

2.The learned Government Advocate appearing on behalf of the 2nd respondent submitted that an FIR is pending in Crime No.715 of 2021, wherein, the petitioner has been arrayed as A1 and the investigation is pending.

3.In the considered view of this Court, a mere pendency of an FIR cannot be a ground to deny the reissuance of passport in favour of the petitioner. The law on this issue is now too well settled.



4. In view of the above, there shall be a direction to the 1st respondent to process the application submitted by the petitioner and reissue the passport, within a period of four weeks from the date of receipt of copy of this order, if the petitioner has satisfied all the other requirements.

5. This writ petition is disposed of with the above directions. No Costs.

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Neutral Citation: Yes/No

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