



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

**DATED: 06-08-2025**

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**THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE N. ANAND VENKATESH**

**WP No. 2706 of 2025**

1. Shek Ali M  
S/o.Haneef, No.85, Thuthipattu  
Village, Ambur Taluk,  
Vellore 635 811.

Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. The Regional Passport Officer  
Regional Passport Office, 3 IV  
Floor, Old No.785, New No.158,  
Anna Salai, Chennai 600 002.

2.State Rep. By  
Inspector Of Police, Umarabath  
Police Station, Vellore District.  
(R2 Impleaded Vide Order Dated  
03.07.2025 Made In  
WMP.5312/2025 In WP.2706/2025  
By Navj)

Respondent(s)

**PRAYER**

Writ petition filed under Article 226 of Constitution of India for the issuance of writ of Certiorarified Mandamus to call for the records relating to the impugned letter passed by the respondent vide SCN / 317054091 /2024 dated 13/02/2024 and quash the same and subsequently direct the respondent to issue passport to the



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petitioner.

For Petitioner(s): Mr.Sunil Kumar R  
For M/s. R. Sanjay, Central  
Respondent(s): Government Standing  
Counsel for R1

Mr.R.Venkatesa Perumal  
G.A.(crl.Side) For R2

### **ORDER**

This writ petition has been filed challenging the impugned notice dated 13.02.2024 issued by the 1<sup>st</sup> respondent and for a consequential direction to the 1<sup>st</sup> respondent to issue passport to the petitioner.

2. The learned Central Government Standing counsel appearing on behalf of the 1<sup>st</sup> respondent based on the counter affidavit filed before this Court submitted that the petitioner had earlier applied for passport on 02.01.2014 on the basis of birth certificate, school certificate and voters ID card. On verification, it was found that the school certificate submitted by the petitioner was not a genuine document. Thereafter, a complaint was given based on which an FIR came to be registered in Crime No.187 of 2019 for offence under Section 420, 465, 471 IPC and 12(1) (b) of the Indian

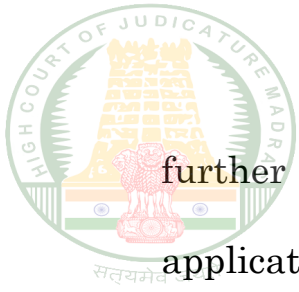


Passport Act. Subsequently, the petitioner submitted another application on 24.11.2023. Based on the adverse police verification report received by the 1<sup>st</sup> respondent, the impugned communication dated 13.03.2024 came to be issued to the petitioner.

3. The learned Government Advocate appearing on behalf of the 2<sup>nd</sup> respondent submitted that the investigation has been completed and the police report is yet to be filed before the concerned Jurisdictional Court.

4. This Court heard the learned counsel appearing on either side and perused the materials available on record.

5. Taking into consideration the facts and circumstances of the case and considering the fact that already an FIR has been registered against the petitioner in Crime No.187 of 2019 and the investigation has been completed, it is left open to the 2<sup>nd</sup> respondent to proceed further and file a police report before the concerned Court. The petitioner has to independently face the criminal proceedings. In view of the same, there shall be a direction to the 1<sup>st</sup> respondent to close the 1<sup>st</sup> application submitted by the petitioner. There shall be a



further direction to the 1<sup>st</sup> respondent to deal with the present application submitted by the petitioner and see if the petitioner has satisfied all the requirements. The mere pendency of the FIR should not be put against the petitioner while dealing with the present application. The entire process shall be completed by the 1<sup>st</sup> 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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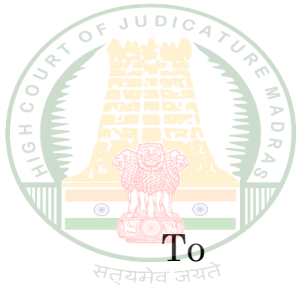
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