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**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

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Date of Decision :24.01.2025

Karamjit Singh**...Petitioner****Versus****Union of India and another****...Respondents****CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI**

Present: Mr. Ashir Gulati, Advocate for the petitioner.

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Harsimran Singh Sethi, J. (Oral)

1. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has applied for renewal of his passport for a period of 10 years and submitted the application dated 14.06.2024 (Annexure P/1) with the respondents.
2. Learned counsel for the petitioner further submits that vide impugned notice/letter dated 01.01.2025 (Annexure P/3) it has been informed that the passport can only be renewed when the permission is granted to the undertrial to depart from India.
3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that without appreciating the fact, a letter dated 01.01.2025 (Annexure P/3) has been written that first permission is to be granted to the petitioner by the competent Court of law to depart India before his claim of renewal of passport can be considered. Learned counsel for the petitioner further



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submits that renewal of passport has been applied in a normal course irrespective of the fact whether the petitioner intends to go abroad or not

4. Notice of motion.

5. Ms. Neha Sharma, Advocate accepts notice on behalf of respondent No.1-UOI through video conferencing and submits that the application submitted by the petitioner for renewal of his passport in the normal course will be considered in accordance with law and appropriate order on the same will be passed within a period of 08 weeks from the date of receipt of copy of this order and in case, it is found feasible to renew the passport of the petitioner, the same will be done otherwise, due reasons for not accepting the claim of the petitioner will be mentioned in the speaking order so passed, which will be conveyed to the petitioner for his information and necessary action.

6. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that keeping in view the statement made by learned counsel for respondents, present petition may kindly be disposed of having been not pressed any further.

7. Ordered accordingly.

January 24, 2025*aarti***(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)****JUDGE***Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes**Whether reportable : No*