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

**CWP-21477-2025
Date of Decision: 18.08.2025**

Vijay Kumar

..... Petitioner

Versus

Union of India and others

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSH BUNGER

Present: Mr. Umesh Sharma, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Amit Sharma, Senior Panel Counsel
for respondents No.1, 2 and 4.

HARSH BUNGER J. (ORAL)

Petition herein is, *inter alia*, for issuance of a writ in the nature of Mandamus for directing respondent No.4 – Regional Passport Officer, Jalandhar to re-issue passport to the petitioner.

2. Learned counsel for respondents No.1, 2 and 4 submits that certain clarifications/information/documents were sought from the petitioner vide letter dated 03.04.2025, issued by the Regional Passport Office, Jalandhar, however, instead of responding to the same, petitioner has filed the present writ petition before this Court. Copy of said letter dated 03.04.2025 has been handed over by learned counsel for respondents No.1, 2 and 4 in Court today, which is taken on record, subject to all just exceptions.

Another copy has also been supplied to learned counsel for the petitioner, in Court today itself.

2.1 Learned counsel for respondents No.1, 2 and 4 further submits that in case, the petitioner responds to the aforesaid letter dated 03.04.2025 and provides the required clarifications/information/documents then the passport application submitted by the petitioner, which is still pending with the authorities, would be considered and final decision would be taken thereon by the competent authority, in accordance with law, within a period of eight weeks from the date when such clarifications/information/documents are provided by the petitioner.

3. Keeping in view the aforesaid submissions made by learned counsel for respondents No.1, 2 and 4, the present writ petition is disposed of with a direction to the petitioner to respond to letter dated 03.04.2025, issued by the Regional Passport Office, Jalandhar, and to furnish the requisite clarifications, information and documents.

3.1 It goes without saying that in case, requisite clarifications/information/documents are provided by the petitioner then the passport authorities shall take a final decision on the passport application of petitioner, in accordance with law, within a period of eight weeks from the date when such clarifications/information/documents are provided by the petitioner.

5. All pending application(s), if any, shall also stand closed.

18.08.2025
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(HARSH BUNGER)
JUDGE

1. Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

2. Whether reportable : Yes/No