



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

CWP-23746-2025

Date of Decision: 12.12.2025

Dunish Kumar

..... Petitioner

Versus

Union of India and others

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSH BUNGER

Present: Mr. Brijeshwar Singh Bhalla, Advocate
for the petitioner.

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

Mr. Navneet Singh, Addl. A.G., Punjab.

HARSH BUNGER J. (ORAL)

Prayer in the present writ petition filed under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India is for issuance of a writ in the nature of Mandamus for directing respondent No.2 (The Regional Passport Officer, Chandigarh) to re-issue/renew the passport of the petitioner.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the application for re-issuance/renewal of the passport to the petitioner is not being considered by the passport authorities primarily on the ground that one case FIR No.14, dated 22.07.2023 under Sections 406/498-A and 120-B IPC registered at Police Station NRI, District Police Commissionerate, Ludhiana (Annexure P-4) is pending against him.

3. At this stage, Mr. Navneet Singh, Addl. A.G. Punjab, appears on behalf of the State of Punjab and on instructions from Mr. Lakhwinder

Singh, PPS, DSP (HQ) informs the Court that the aforesaid case FIR No.14 is still pending investigation.

4. Learned counsel representing respondent Nos.1 and 2 submits that in light of the fact that case FIR No.14 is still under investigation, the case of the petitioner for re-issuance/renewal of the passport can be considered in light of the observations made by Co-ordinate Bench of this Court in the case of ***“Mohan Lal @ Mohna Vs. Union of India and others”, 2023 SCC Online P&H 1391.***

5. Keeping in view the aforesaid submissions made by learned State counsel, learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the present petition may be disposed of in the light of the observations made by a co-ordinate Bench of this Court in ***“Mohan Lal @ Mohna’s case (supra).***

6. Keeping in view the statements made by respective counsels, the present petition is disposed of, by directing respondent Nos.1 and 2 to consider the case of the petitioner for renewal/re-issuance of passport in the light of judgment rendered in ***Mohan Lal @ Mohna’s case (supra)***; and take a final decision on the application submitted by the petitioner for renewal/re-issuance of his passport, within a period of eight weeks from today.

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

12.12.2025*shruti***(HARSH BUNGER)
JUDGE**

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| 1. Whether speaking/reasoned : | Yes/No |
| 2. Whether reportable : | Yes/No |