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

CWP-35291-2024

Date of Decision: 27.01.2025

Aayansh Sood (Minor) Through Mother Manu Karol

..... Petitioner

Versus

Union of India and others

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSH BUNGER

Present: Mr. Bhupinder Ghai, Advocate
for the petitioner,

Mr. Karan Kumar Jund, Senior Panel Counsel, Union of India
for the respondent/Union of India.

HARSH BUNGER J. (ORAL)

Petition herein is, *inter alia*, for issuance of a writ in the nature of Mandamus to direct respondent No.2 to issue the passport of petitioner (minor).

2. Mr. Karan Kumar Jund, Senior Panel Counsel, Union of India appears on behalf of the respondent/Union of India, in pursuance of the advance copy of paper book having already been supplied to him, and informs the Court that as the petitioner did not respond to letter dated 06.12.2024 (Annexure P-8) issued to him by the Government of India, Ministry of External Affairs, Regional Passport Office, Chandigarh; therefore, vide letter dated 26.12.2024, the application submitted for

issuance of passport to the petitioner (minor) has been closed. A copy of said letter dated 26.12.2024 is handed over by learned counsel for the respondent/Union of India in Court today, which is taken on record, subject to all just exceptions.

2.1 Learned counsel for the respondent/Union of India submits that in case, the petitioner (minor) through his mother files a fresh application seeking issuance of passport to him then the same would be considered within a period of two months, in accordance with law.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner, keeping in view the aforesaid stand taken by learned counsel for the respondent/Union of India, submits that he may be permitted to withdraw the instant writ petition at this stage with liberty to the petitioner to approach the Regional Passport Office, Chandigarh with a fresh application seeking issuance of passport to the petitioner (minor).

4. Ordered accordingly.

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

27.01.2025*Apurva***(HARSH BUNGER)
JUDGE**

1. Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

2. Whether reportable : Yes/No