



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 02-06-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE MOHAMMED SHAFFIQ

WP No. 19173 of 2026

Sankar Prakasam

..Petitioner

Vs

1. 1.The Regional Passport Officer,
Regional Passport Office,
Chennai Rayala Towers,
No. 2 and 3, IV Floor,
Old No.785, New No.158,
Anna Salai, Chennai-600 002.

2.The Inspector of Police,
Vaniyambadi Town Circle,
Vaniyambadi,
Tirupathur-635 751.

..Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying to issue Writ of Mandamus, directing the first respondent to issue a passport to petitioner by renewing the same in file No.MA2074629517122, on the request made by the petitioner within a time frame and pass orders.

For Petitioner : Mr.A.Lakshmi Narasimhan

For Respondents : Mr.K.Balaji
Central Government Counsel
for R1



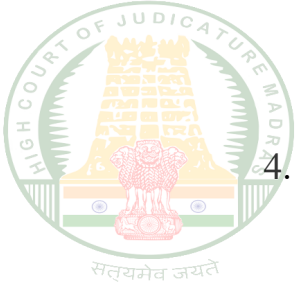
ORDER

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The writ petition has been filed for a direction to first respondent to issue a passport to petitioner by renewing the same in file No.MA2074629517122, on the request made by petitioner within a time frame to be fixed by this Court.

2. At the outset, it is submitted by learned Central Government Standing Counsel for first respondent 3that earlier application of petitioner cannot be processed any longer and he would submit that it is always open to petitioner to take out a fresh online application. If any such online application is filed, the same would considered and appropriate orders would be passed, in accordance with law, within a time frame to be fixed by this Court, which was agreed to by the learned counsel for petitioner.

3. In view thereof, it is open to petitioner to file a fresh online application and if any such online application is filed, the first respondent shall consider the same on its own merits and renew the passport, in accordance with law, within a period of four (4) weeks from the date on which the online application is filed by petitioner. It is made clear that this Court has not expressed any views with regard to the merits of the case.



4. Accordingly, the writ petition stands disposed of. No costs.

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Index: Yes/No

Speaking/Non-speaking order

Neutral Citation: Yes/No

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