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W.P.(MD).No.4635 of 2026

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 23.02.2026

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE R.VIJAYAKUMAR

W.P(MD)No.4635 of 2026

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...Petitioner

Vs

1. The Regional Passport Officer,
Regional Passport Office,
Ministry of External Affairs,
Bharathi Ula Veethi,
Race Course Road,
Madurai – 625 002.

2. The Inspector of Police,
Devipattinam Police Station,
Ramanathapuram District.
(Crime No.339 of 2020)

... Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of Mandamus directing the first respondent to process the petitioner's passport application File No.MD01C5023126722, dated 26.04.2022 and issue the passport within a time limit to be stipulated by this Court.

For Petitioner : Mr.J.Vishnu

For R1 : Mr.S.Selva Krishnan
Central Government Standing Counsel



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For R2

: Mrs.M.Aasha

Government Advocate (Criminal Side)

ORDER

The present writ petition has been filed seeking a Mandamus directing the first respondent to process the petitioner's passport application dated 26.04.2022.

2. The learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) appearing for the second respondent brought to the notice of this Court that the petitioner has been implicated in a criminal case in Crime No.339 of 2020 on the file of the second respondent police, which has culminated in filing of a charge sheet before the juvenile Justice Board on 07.10.2022. So far, for the past three years, charge sheet has not been taken on file.

3. Considering the fact that the petitioner was juvenile at the time of offence and for the past three years charge sheet has not been taken on file, there is no legal impediment for the first respondent to consider the application of the petitioner for issuance of passport.



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4. In view of the above said facts, the first respondent is directed to consider the passport application of the petitioner dated 26.04.2022 and pass orders within a period of four weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

5. With the above said observation, this Writ Petition stands disposed of. There shall be no order as to costs.

23.02.2026

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