



W.P(MD)NO.36382 of 2025

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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DATED :02.01.2026

CORAM:

THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE R.VIJAYAKUMAR

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and

W.M.P(MD)No.28954 of 2025

Bharath Jayakumar

... Petitioner

.Vs.

1.The Regional Passport Officer,
Regional Passport Office- Madurai
Bhaathi Ula Veethi,
Race Course Road,
Madurai.

2.The Inspector of Police,
Alanganallur Police Statin,
Madurai District.
(Cr.No.388 of 2023)

... Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of Certiorarified Mandamus calling for the records in Letter No.FCL/1049140133/25, dated 15.5.2025 issued by the first respondent and quash the same as illegal and consequently direct



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the first respondent to reopen the Petitioner's passport application and issue fresh passport based on the reply preferred by the Petitioner on 27.11.2025 on the basis of Petitioner's passport application taken on file as File No.MD1067106001524 within the time stipulated by this Court.

For Petitioner : Mr.C.R.Kasi Viswanathan
For Respondent-1 : Mr.R.Senthil Kumar
Central Govt.Standing Counsel
For Respondent-2 : M/s.M.Aasha
Govt.Advocate(Crl.side)

ORDER

The present Writ Petition has been filed seeking to quash the order passed by the first respondent on 15.5.2025, wherein, passport application of the Petitioner was closed on the ground of adverse police report.

2.Even in the impugned order, the Petitioner is given liberty to file a fresh passport application with all related documents with adverse police report. Accordingly, the Petitioner has preferred a fresh application on 18.11.2025. The Petitioner apprehends that his request for passport may not be considered



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due to the pendency of the criminal case.

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3.As far as the quashing of the impugned order, dated 15.5.2025 is concerned, it may not be necessary in view of the fact that the first respondent has granted liberty to the Petitioner to file fresh passport application and the Petitioner has also filed a fresh application. The Petitioner has been implicated in a criminal case in Crime No.388 of 2023, on the file of Alanganallur Police Station and charge sheet has not yet been filed.

4. This Court in a judgment reported in *(2014) 8 MLJ 61(Jaihar Williams .vs. State of Tamil nadu, represented by its Secretary to Government, Home Department, Chennai)* has categorically held that pendency of a FIR is not a legal impediment for issuance of passport.

5.Considering the above said facts, the first respondent is directed to consider the application of the Writ Petitioner, dated 18.11.2025 and pass orders within a period of four weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

6.With th above said observations, the Writ Petition stands disposed of. No costs. Consequently, connected Miscellaneous



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Petition is closed.

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