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**HIGH COURT FOR THE STATE OF TELANGANA AT HYDERABAD  
(Special Original Jurisdiction)**

**THURSDAY, THE TWENTY THIRD DAY OF MAY  
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY FOUR**

**PRESENT**

**THE HONOURABLE SHRI JUSTICE ANIL KUMAR JUKANTI**

**WRIT PETITION NO: 13407 OF 2024**

**Between:**

Yella Ranga Swamy, S/o. Yella Rangappa, aged about 56 yrs, Occ. Private Service, R/o. H.No. 5-2-16/A, Plot No. 6/1, Phase -I, Mythri Nagar, Madhinaguda, Cyberabad, R. R. District, Telangana-500049

**...PETITIONER**

**AND**

1. Union of India, rep by its Secretary, Ministry of External Affairs, C.T.V. Division, TV-1 Section, Patiala House Annex, Government of India, New Delhi - 110 001
2. The Regional Passport Officer, Passport Office, Door No. 8-2-215 to 219, Adjacent to Prashanth Theatre, Kummarguda, Secunderabad-500003.

**...RESPONDENTS**

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased to issue a Writ, Order or Direction more particularly one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus by declaring the action of the respondent in refusing the petitioner file no. HY1076378615724, under the guise of pendency of criminal cases, as illegal, arbitrary, unjust unreasonable and in violation of Articles 19(1)(d) and 21 of the Constitution of India and declare the action of the Respondents in not renewing the passport of the petitioner as illegal, arbitrary, and in violation of Articles 19(1)(d) and 21 of the Constitution of India and consequently direct the respondents to issue passport while renewing the same to the petitioner for a period of 10 years, in the interest of justice.



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Petition under Section 151 CPC praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed in support of the petition, the High Court may be pleased to direct the respondents to renew the passport of the petitioner in the interest of justice pending disposal of the above writ petition.

**Counsel for the Petitioner: SRI D.RAMAKRISHNA**

**Counsel for the Respondents: SRI V.T.KALYAN, REP. FOR  
Dy. SOLICITOR GEN. OF INDIA**

**The Court made the following: ORDER**



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**THE HON'BLE SHRI JUSTICE ANIL KUMAR JUKANTI**

**WRIT PETITION No.13407 OF 2024**

**ORDER:**

This Writ Petition is filed seeking the following relief:

*“...to issue a Writ Order or Direction more particularly one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus by declaring the action of the respondent in refusing the petitioner file no HY1076378615724 under the guise of pendency of criminal cases as illegal arbitrary unjust unreasonable and in violation of Articles 19(1)(d) and 21 of the Constitution of India and declare the action of the Respondents in not renewing the passport of the petitioner as illegal arbitrary and in violation of Articles 19(1)(d) and 21 of the Constitution of India and consequently direct the respondents to issue passport while renewing the same to the petitioner for a period of 10 years in the interest of justice and to pass.*

2. Heard Sri D. Ramakrishna, learned counsel appearing for the petitioner and Sri V.T. Kalyan, learned counsel representing learned Deputy Solicitor General of India appearing for the respondents.

3. It is submitted by learned counsel appearing on behalf of petitioner that the petitioner is having valid passport bearing No.Z2447124 and the said passport was expired on 16.08.2022. Thereafter, the petitioner

has made an application through online seeking for renewal of the said passport on 07.03.2024 to visit his two daughters, who are pursuing their studies in University of Texas and San Jose University U.S.A. and for the purpose of visiting his daughters, the petitioner has sought for renewal of passport and he was given appointment I.D.200011496037924 with an appointment dated 23.03.2024 *vide* file No.HY1076378615724. It is further submitted that two cases are pending against the petitioner *vide* **C.C.No.6997 of 2022 in the Hon'ble 7-II Additional Junior Civil Judge-cum-XIII Additional Judicial Magistrate, Medchal-Malkajgiri at Kukatpally and *vide* C.C.No.1416 of 2022 on the file of II Additional Junior Civil Judge-cum-XIII Additional Metropolitan Magistrate, Ranga Reddy, Rajendranagar.**

4. It is submitted by learned counsel that in similar circumstances, this Court has granted directions to



the concerned authorities to issue passport for a period of ten years under Section 10 of the Passports Act, 1967 (for short, 'the Act') and our attention has been invited to the order, dated 18.04.2022 passed in W.P.No.11674 of 2022 by the learned Single Judge of this Court and also to an order, dated 14.03.2024 passed in W.P.No.2802 of 2024.

5. It is submitted by learned counsel appearing on behalf of respondents that petitioner's case stands on a different footing as two cases are pending against him and for the reason that the cases are pending against him, the passport-authorities have rightly rejected the application of the petitioner for renewal of the said passport.

6. Heard learned counsels, perused the record. Having regard to the rival submissions made by both the parties, it is not in dispute that petitioner has made an application after expiry of the passport and his passport application has been rejected by the



concerned authorities as he had criminal antecedents and two cases were pending against him. It is also trite to take note of the fact that the orders which have been placed on record by the learned counsel for the petitioner, in similar circumstances, where, the learned Single Judges of this Court have directed the concerned authorities to renew the passport for a period of ten years as per the said Act are holding the field.

7. This Court is of the opinion that as the petitioner's case stands on the same footing to that of the petitioners who have filed the aforesaid writ petitions, this Court is not inclined to take a different view to that of learned Single Judges orders. Hence, the concerned authorities are directed to renew the passport in accordance with law, within a period of four (4) weeks as per Section 10 of the Passports Act, 1967 and under Rule 12 of Passport Rules, 1980, without reference to the Criminal Proceedings pending



against the petitioner in **C.C.No.6997 of 2022 in the Hon'ble 7-II Additional Junior Civil Judge-cum-XIII Additional Judicial Magistrate, Medchal-Malkajgiri at Kukatpally and vide C.C.No.1416 of 2022 on the file of II Additional Junior Civil Judge-cum-XIII Additional Metropolitan Magistrate, Ranga Reddy, Rajendranagar**, subject to the following conditions:

- i. The petitioner herein shall submit an undertaking along with an affidavit in **C.C.No.6997 of 2022 in the Hon'ble 7-II Additional Junior Civil Judge-cum-XIII Additional Judicial Magistrate, Medchal-Malkajgiri at Kukatpally and vide C.C.No.1416 of 2022 on the file of II Additional Junior Civil Judge-cum-XIII Additional Metropolitan Magistrate, Ranga Reddy, Rajendranagar**, stating that he will not leave India during pendency of the said case without permission of the Court and that he will co-operate with trial Court in concluding the proceedings in the said case.
- ii) On filing such an undertaking as well as affidavit, the trial Court shall issue a certified copy of the same within two (02) weeks therefrom;

- iii) The petitioner herein shall submit certified copy of  
aforesaid undertaking before the Respondent  
Passport Officer for renewal of his passport;
- iv) The Respondent-Passport Officer shall consider the  
application of the petitioner for issuance of  
passport with File No. HY1076378615724 dated  
23.03.2024 in the light of the observations made  
by this Court herein as well as the contents of the  
undertaking given by the petitioner for renewal of  
his passport in accordance with law, within three  
(03) weeks from the date of receipt of said order  
copy;
- v) On renewal of the Passport, the petitioner herein shall  
deposit the original renewed Passport before the trial  
Court in **C.C.No.6997 of 2022 in the Hon'ble 7-II  
Additional Junior Civil Judge-cum-XIII Additional  
Judicial Magistrate, Medchal-Malkajgiri at  
Kukatpally and vide C.C.No.1416 of 2022 on the  
file of II Additional Junior Civil Judge-cum-XIII  
Additional Metropolitan Magistrate, Ranga Reddy,  
Rajendranagar; and**



vi) However, liberty is granted to the petitioner herein to file an application before the trial Court seeking permission to travel aboard and it is for the trial Court to consider the same in accordance with law.”

8. With the above directions, this Writ Petition is disposed of. No costs.

Miscellaneous petitions, if any, pending, shall stand closed.

**SD/- N.SRIHARI  
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR**

**NOTE:** That the words “C.C.No.6997 of 2020 on the file of VII Additional Junior Civil Judge-cum-XIII Additional Metropolitan Magistrate, Medchal-Malkajgiri, Kukatpally and vide C.C.No.1416 of 2022 on the file of II Additional Junior Civil Judge-cum-XIII Additional Metropolitan Magistrate, Ranga Reddy, Rajendranagar” are wrongly read at the paragraph Nos.3, 7, 7(i) and 7(v) in W.P.No.13407 of 2024 dated 23.05.2024 instead of “C.C.No.6997 of 2022 on the file of VII Additional Junior Civil Judge-cum-XIII Additional Metropolitan Magistrate, Medchal-Malkajgiri, Kukatpally and vide C.C.No.1416 of 2022 on the file of II Additional Junior Civil Judge-cum-XIII Additional Metropolitan Magistrate, Ranga Reddy, Rajendranagar” and the same is corrected/modified as per the Orders of Hon’ble Court dated 13.08.2025 in I.A.No.02 of 2025.

This amended order shall substitute the earlier order which has already been dispatched on 24.05.2024.

**SD/- N.SRIHARI  
DEPUTY REGISTRAR**

**NOTE:** That the Court name mentioned at para Nos.3, 7, 7(i) and 7(v) are wrongly mentioned in the order dt. 13.08.2025 in W.P.No.13407 of 2024 and the same is corrected as “C.C.No.6997 of 2022 in the Hon’ble 7-II Additional Junior Civil Judge-cum-XIII Additional Judicial Magistrate, Medchal-Malkajgiri at Kukatpally” as per the Orders of the Hon’ble Court dated 30.04.2026 in I.A.No.01 of 2026.



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This amended order shall substitute the earlier order which has already been dispatched on 17.11.2025.

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**SD/- A.SRINIVASA REDDY**  
**ASSISTANT REGISTRAR**

**SECTION OFFICER**

To,

1. **The 7-II Additional Junior Civil Judge-cum-XIII Additional Judicial Magistrate, Medchal-Malkajgiri at Kukatpally.**
2. **The II Additional Junior Civil Judge cum XIII Additional Metropolitan Magistrate, Ranga Reddy, Rajendranagar.**
3. **The Secretary, Ministry of External Affairs, C.T.V. Division, TV-1 Section, Patiala House Annex, Government of India, New Delhi, Union of India - 110 001.**
4. **The Regional Passport Officer, Passport Office, Door No. 8-2-215 to 219, Adjacent to Prashanth Theatre, Kummarguda, Secunderabad-500003.**
5. **One CC to SRI D.RAMAKRISHNA, Advocate [OPUC]**
6. **One CC to SRI GADI PRAVEEN KUMAR, Dy. SOLICITOR GEN. OF INDIA, High Court for the State of Telangana at Hyderabad [OPUC]**
7. **Two CD Copies**

**(Along with the copy of order dated 14.03.2024, in W.P.No.2802 of 2024)**

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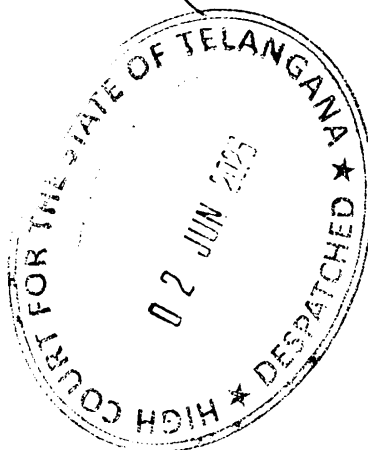


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VACATION COURT

HIGH COURT

DATED: 23/05/2024  
13/08/2025  
30/04/2026



AMENDED ORDER

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DISPOSING OF THE WRIT PETITION,  
WITHOUT COSTS

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