

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

WEDNESDAY, THE TWENTIETH DAY OF AUGUST
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY FIVE

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE NAGESH BHEEMAPAKA

WRIT PETITION NO: 24672 OF 2025

Between:

Rajat Gupta, S/o. Ranjan Kumar Gupta, Aged 25 Years, Occ Business, R/o. Swastik Vihar, Phase - II, Panchkula, Haryana presently residing at Edinburgh, United Kingdom, Passport No. X4330080.

...PETITIONER

AND

1. Union of India, Through Secretary, Ministry of External Affairs, CPV Division, Jawaharlal Nehru Bhawan, New Delhi - 110011.
2. The Regional Passport Officer, Ministry of External Affairs, (Hyderabad/Suitable RPO having jurisdiction over Petitioner's passport record) Address 73, Red Cross Road, Shivaji Nagar, Secunderabad Hyderabad. Telangana State.
3. The Consulate General of India, Edinburgh 17 Rutland Square, Edinburgh EH1 2BB, United Kingdom. Through the Consul General.
4. The State of Telangana, Through Principal Secretary, Home Department, Secretariat, Hyderabad - 500022.
5. The Commissioner of Police, Rachakonda Commissionerate, Nagarjuna Sagar Road, Hyderabad - 500068.
6. Station House Officer, Cyber Crime Police Station, Rachakonda Commissionerate, Hyderabad - 500068.

...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 an appropriate writ, order or direction more particularly one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the 3rd respondent impounding/retention/invalidating of the Petitioner's Passport No. X4330080 by Respondent No. 3 (CGI Edinburgh) without a written order, reasons, or due process as illegal, arbitrary, and violative of Articles 14 and 21. b) Direct Respondents 1 to 3 to forthwith, i) Provide to the Petitioner a copy of the written order, if any, and the precise statutory/judicial basis (including any LOC/court order/MEA instruction) under which the passport was marked invalid/retained, and

ii) In the absence of any valid subsisting order, immediately restore validity and release the Petitioner's passport, or, in the alternative, iii) Issue a fresh/short-validity passport or enable renewal for a specified period to facilitate travel and immigration compliance, or iv) Issue an Emergency Certificate on compassionate/urgent grounds pending further orders of this Hon'ble Court. c) Pending disposal of the writ, grant interim i) Immediate issuance of an Emergency Certificate or temporary activation/release of the Petitioner's passport for a defined period (e. g. , 90/120 days) to enable urgent travel to India and/or necessary immigration compliance abroad ii) The Petitioner to furnish itinerary, contact details, and undertakings to cooperate, appear before the IO/court on arrival, not to tamper with evidence, and to abide by further conditions as this Hon'ble Court deems fit. d) Direct Respondents 4 to 6 to i) Confirm whether any LOC or specific court order restricting travel exists, and file the same on record ii) Consider forthwith the Petitioner's representation for partial de-freezing of family/personal bank accounts for essential living/medical/education expenses, or as an interim measure, this Hon'ble Court may permit such usage with monthly statements to the IO. e) Pass such further or other orders as this Hon'ble Court may deem fit in the interests of justice, including liberty to the Petitioner to pursue quashing under Section 482 CrPC and to place any settlement/mediation before this Hon'ble Court for appropriate directions to Respondents 1- 3 regarding passport normalization and pass such other order or orders as this Hon'ble Court may deem fit and proper in the circumstances of the case.

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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 No. 3 be directed to immediately issue an Emergency Certificate OR release/activate the Petitioner's passport for a limited duration Respondents 1-2 to record the travel permission and ensure no systemic hold prevents travel for the permitted period Respondents 5-6 to facilitate Petitioners appearance scheduling on arrival and not to take coercive steps inconsistent with permitted travel and cooperation, forthwith pending disposal of the main writ petition

Counsel for the Petitioner: SRI. AMBEDKAR DUNNA

Counsel for the Respondent Nos.1 to 3: SC FOR CENTRAL GOVERNMENT

Counsel for the Respondent Nos.4 to 6: GP FOR HOME

The Court made the following: ORDER

THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE NAGESH BHEEMAPAKA

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ORDER:

Learned counsel for the petitioner seeks permission of the Court to withdraw the Writ Petition with liberty to file a fresh Writ Petition with relevant documents.

2. Granting liberty as sought for, the Writ Petition is dismissed as withdrawn. No order as to costs.

3. Consequently, miscellaneous petitions pending, if any, shall stand closed.

SD/- B. REKHA RANI
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR

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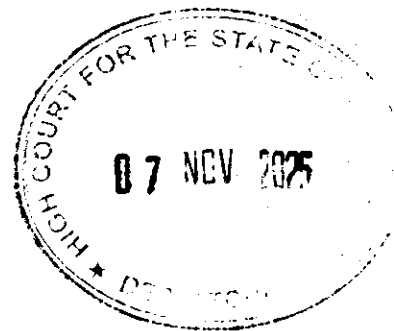
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HIGH COURT

DATED:20/08/2025

ORDER

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**DISMISSING THE WRIT PETITION
AS WITHDRAWN
WITHOUT COSTS**

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