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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 27.04.2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE HEMANT CHANDANGOUDAR

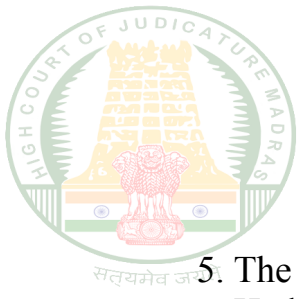
W.P.(MD)No.2112 of 2026
and
W.M.P(MD)No. 1676 of 2026

1. R.Vimaladevi
2. Y.Mishrudhan

.. Petitioners

- Vs. -

1. The Union Secretary,
Ministry of External Affairs,
Room No.74B, Gate No.04,
South Block,
New Delhi – 110011.
2. The Secretary,
Public Department,
Fort St.George,
Chennai.
3. The District Collector,
Collectorate,
Trichy District.
4. The Superintendent of Police,
District Police Office,
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5. The Foreigners Regional Registration Officer,
Haddows Road,
Subba Road Avenue,
Nungambakkam,
Chennai,
Tamil Nadu 600006.

6. The Passport Officer,
New Municipal Complex,
Thillainagar 7th Cross,
Trichy,
Tamilnadu - 620 018.

... Respondents

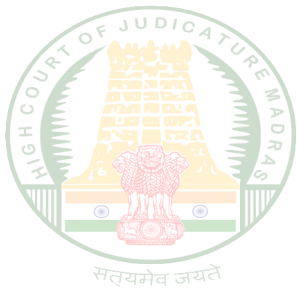
Prayer : Writ Petition is filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this court to issue a Writ of Mandamus directing the 6th respondent to re-issue the petitioners Passports bearing passports numbers Y5332253 and W8627032 by considering the petitioners' representation dated 17-12-2025 within a time frame that may be fixed by this Court.

For Petitioners : Mr.SC.Herold Singh

For Respondents : Mr.K.Govindarajan
Deputy Solicitor General of India
for R1, R5 and R6

: Mr.S.S.Madhavan
Additional Government Pleader
for R2 and R3

: Mr.M.Vaikkam Karunanithi
Government Advocate (Crl. Side)
for R4.



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ORDER

The petitioners are before this Court seeking for a direction to the 6th respondent to reissue the passport.

2. The petitioners were earlier issued with Indian Passports and before expiry of the validity date, the petitioners submitted an application for re-issuance of their passports.

3. Learned State counsel representing the respondents submitted that earlier passports issued to the petitioners were an error since the petitioners are not Indian citizens and the petitioners' request for granting Indian citizenship is pending consideration and till consideration of the said application, the petitioners' request cannot be considered.

4. Admittedly, the petitioners have applied for granting Indian Citizenship and hence, the petitioners cannot be issued with the passport.

5. With this observation, the Writ Petition is disposed of. In the event of the petitioners have granted Indian Citizenship, the petitioners are



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preserved liberty to make an application afresh for issuance of fresh passports.

6. There shall be no order as to costs. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

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