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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 22.04.2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE HEMANT CHANDANGOUDAR

W.P.(MD)No.10641 of 2026

Kapoor

.. Petitioner

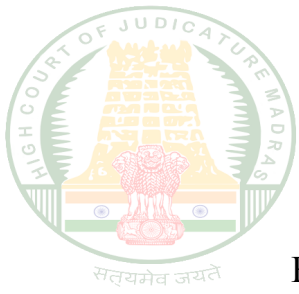
- Vs. -

1. The Regional Passport Officer,
Regional Passport Office,
Bharathi Ula Veethi,
Race Course Road,
Madurai District.

2. The State Rep. Through Inspector of Police,
Kenikarai Police Station,
Ramanathapuram District.

.. 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 Respondent No.1 to re-issue the petitioner's surrendered passport and speedy process the application submitted by petitioner in File No.MD1075246318225 in lieu of the damaged passport No.Y4372452 by considering the petitioner's representation dated 02.03.2026.



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For Petitioner

: Mr.SMA Jinnah

For Respondents

: Ms.M.Anbarasi

Central Government Standing Counsel
for R1

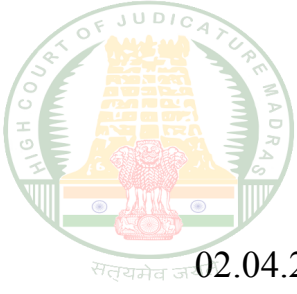
: Mr.M.Vaikkam Karunanithi,
Government Advocate (Crl. side)
for R2

ORDER

The petitioner is before this Court seeking for a direction to the first respondent to reissue the passport to the petitioner which was surrendered on account of damage caused to the passport. The application for re-issuance of the passport was made on 02.03.2026.

2. Pursuant to the application submitted by the petitioner, the first respondent issued a notice dated 09.07.2025 stating that the petitioner had initially obtained passport by suppressing the fact that he was also issued with another passport.

3. In light of the above, the Writ Petition is disposed of directing the first respondent to consider the explanations dated 23.03.2026 and



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02.04.2026 on its own merits and pass appropriate orders in accordance with law.

4. The said exercise shall be completed within a period of three(3) weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

5. It is made clear in the event of the petitioner is found eligible for re-issuance of passport, the first respondent shall re-issue the passport within one week thereafter.

6. There shall be no order as to costs.

22.04.2026

Index :Yes/No
Internet :Yes/No
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