

## IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

( Special Original Jurisdiction )

Tuesday, the Twenty Sixth day of April Two Thousand Twenty Two

PRESENT

THE HON'BLE DR.JUSTICE ANITA SUMANTH

WP.No.10724 of 2022

AND WMP.No.10368 of 2022

ASHISH MUNDHRA

[PETITIONER IN BOTH THE PETITIONS]

Vs

1 THE BUREAU OF IMMIGRATION, [RESPONDENTS IN BOTH THE PETITIONS] MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, REP. BY ITS COMMISSIONER (IMMIGRATION) EAST BLOCK VIII, LEVEL V, SECTOR 1, R.K.PURAM, NEW DELHI - 110 066.

- 2 THE PRINCIPAL DIRECTOR GENERAL, DIRECTORATE OF REVENUE INTELLIGENCE, 7TH FLOOR, D BLOCK, I.P.BHAWAN, I.P.ESTATE, NEW DELHI - 110 002.
- 3 THE FOREIGNER REGIONAL REGISTRATION OFFICER (FRRO), BUREAU OF IMMIGRATION, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, SASTRI BHAVAN, ANNEX BUILDING, NO. 26, HADDOWS ROAD, CHENNAI 600 006.
- 4 THE ASSISTANT FOREIGNERS REGIONAL REGISTRATION OFFICER, BUREAU OF IMMIGRATION, ANNA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, MEENAMBAKKAM AIRPORT, CHENNAI - 600 027.
- 5 THE SENIOR INTELLIGENCE OFFICER, DIRECTORATE OF REVENUE INTELLIGENCE, KOLKATA ZONAL UNIT, NO.8, HOCHI MAIN SARANI, KOLKATTA - 700 071.

6 THE SENIOR INTELLIGENCE OFFICER, DIRECTORATE OF REVENUE INTELLIGENCE, CHENNAI ZONAL UNIT, LAKSHMI COLONY, T.NAGAR, CHENNAI - 600 017.

WEB COP Writ Petitions under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated therein and respective affidavits filed therewith the High Court will be pleased to issue a direction or order or orders in the nature of WRIT OF MANDAMUS directing the respondents to permit the petitioner to travel abroad, as no copy of any look out circular against the petitioner, though asked for vide representation dated 31.03.2022, has been furnished to the petitioner (IN WP.No.10724 of 2022) and

(ii)To grant an order of INTERIM DIRECTION directing respondents to permit the petitioner holding Indian Passport No. Z2399758 issued on 11.03.2013, to travel abroad on such terms and conditions, as this Hon'ble Court may deem fit and appropriate, WMP.No.10368 of 2022) pending disposal of the WP.No.10724 of 2022.

Order: This petition and miscellaneous petition coming on this day for hearing upon perusing the petition and the affidavit filed in support thereof and upon hearing the arguments of MRS.RADHA GOPALAN, Advocate for M/S.G.P.BHARGAVI, Advocate for the Petitioner in both the Petitions and of MR.J.MADANA GOPAL RAO, Senior Panel Counsel for the Respondents in both the Petitions, the court made the following order:-

Mr.J.Madana Gopal Rao, learned Senior Panel Counsel accepts notice for the respondents and seeks some time to obtain instructions on the averment in the writ petition and file a counter. That apart, will specifically confirm whether order passed by Mr.Justice in W.P.No.27928 of 2021 dated 03.01.2022 has been M. Dhandapani complied with.

- 2. The petitioner prays for a mandamus directing the respondents to consider his requests for enquiry, the most recent request dated 31.03.2022, seeking a copy of the Look Out Circular, which stood in his way of travel.
- 3. On the face of it, the request made is innocuous enough, seeing as the petitioner is certainly entitled to know the reasons for which he has been detained and not permitted to travel. Let the representation of the petitioner, including representation dated 31.03.2022 be considered and disposed even prior to the next date of hearing.

4. List on 09.06.2022.Counter by then after service upon the petitioner.

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