

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH**

CWP No. 17996 of 2015

DATE OF DECISION : 28.08.2015

Jaskaranjeet Singh and others

.... PETITIONERS

Versus

Ministry of Environment and Forests and others

.... RESPONDENTS

CORAM :- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SATISH KUMAR MITTAL
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MAHAVIR S. CHAUHAN

Present : Mr. Ashok Panigrahi, Advocate,
for the petitioners.

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SATISH KUMAR MITTAL, J. (Oral)

The petitioners have filed this petition in public interest seeking direction to the respondents to remove all unauthorised constructions raised on the North Notch of the Harike Wildlife Sanctuary.

Undisputedly, before approaching this court, the petitioners did not make even a representation to the competent authority pointing out the alleged illegal constructions and by whom those constructions have been raised, and thereafter requesting the competent authority to take steps for removal of the same.

After hearing learned counsel for the petitioners, we are of the opinion that at this stage, it will be appropriate if this petition is disposed of with liberty to the petitioners to submit a representation with regard to the

alleged irregularities/illegalities to the Chief Wildlife Warden, Forest Complex, Sahibzada Ajit Singh Nagar (respondent No.4 herein). If any such representation is submitted by the petitioners within a period of one month from today, respondent No.4 shall consider and decide the same in accordance with law, expeditiously.

Ordered accordingly.

**(SATISH KUMAR MITTAL)
JUDGE**

August 28, 2015
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**(MAHAVIR S. CHAUHAN)
JUDGE**