

CWP No. 5282-2015 and other connected petitions

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

Date of Decision: 13.10.2015

1. CWP No. 5282-2015

Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

National Highway Authority of India and others

... Respondent(s)

2. CWP No. 5796-2015

M/s Indian Oil Corporation Ltd.

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

National Highways Authority of India and others

... Respondent(s)

3. CWP No. 5810-2015

M/s Indian Oil Corporation Ltd.

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

National Highway Authority of India and others

... Respondent(s)

4. CWP No. 6082-2015

M/s Indian Oil Corporation Ltd.

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

National Highways Authority of India and others

... Respondent(s)

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5. CWP No. 6093-2015

Indian Oil Corporation Ltd.

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

National Highways Authority of India and others

... Respondent(s)

6. CWP No. 6094-2015

Indian Oil Corporation Ltd.

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

National Highway Authority of India and others

... Respondent(s)

7. CWP No. 7039-2015

Indian Oil Corporation Ltd.

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

National Highways Authority of India and others

... Respondent(s)

8. CWP No. 5348-2015

M/s Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Ltd.

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

National Highways Authority of India and others

... Respondent(s)

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9. CWP No. 9988-2015

Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd.

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

National Highway Authority of India and others

... Respondent(s)

AND

10. CWP No. 13179-2015

Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd.

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

National Highways Authority of India and others

... Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE PARAMJEET SINGH

- 1) Whether Reporters of the local papers may be allowed to see the judgment ?.
- 2) To be referred to the Reporters or not ?.
- 3) Whether the judgment should be reported in the Digest ?

Present: Mr. Aman Arora, Advocate,
for the petitioners in CWP-5282 and 5348 of 2015.

Mr. Raman Sharma, Advocate,
for the petitioners in CWP-9988 and 13179 of 2015.

Mr. Ashish Kapoor, Advocate,
for the petitioners in remaining petitions.

Mr. Sunil K. Sahore, Advocate,
for respondent Nos.1, 2 and 4.

Mr. Satya Pal Jain, Additional Solicitor General,
with Mr. Dheeraj Jain, Senior Counsel, Govt. of India for
Union of India.

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Paramjeet Singh, J.(Oral)

This order shall dispose of CWP No. 5282-2015, CWP No. 5796-2015, CWP No. 5810-2015, CWP No. 6082-2015, CWP No. 6093-2015, CWP No. 6094-2015, CWP No. 7039-2015, CWP No. 5348-2015, CWP No. 9988-2015 and CWP No. 13179-2015 as common questions of fact and law are involved in both the petitions.

Learned Additional Solicitor General of India states that he is pursuing the matter for appointment of Presiding Officer of the National Highways Tribunal and it will likely to take time because of busy schedule of members of the Appointments Committee of the Cabinet (ACC).

In view of the statement of learned Addl. Solicitor General, the present petition is disposed of with a direction that the appointment of Presiding Officer shall be made preferably within three months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order. Since appointment of Presiding Officer is likely to take time, respondents are restrained from taking coercive steps till the prayer of interim relief in the pending appeals is disposed of by the National Highways Tribunal.

Disposed of accordingly.

13.10.2015
parveen kumar

(Paramjeet Singh)
Judge