

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

**CWP-PIL No.36 of 2018
Date of Decision :17.12.2018**

Renuka Chopra

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana and others

..... Respondents

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE KRISHNA MURARI, CHIEF JUSTICE
HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE ARUN PALLI, JUDGE**

Present : Petitioner in person.
 Mr. Sharad Aggarwal, AAG, Haryana.

KRISHNA MURARI, CHIEF JUSTICE (Oral):

This Public Interest Litigation filed by a practising Advocate is a classic example of gross misuse of the process of this Court.

This petition has been filed on the allegations that illegally the trees are being cut from the reserved forest of Sonti in Kurukshetra for construction of a Air strip at that site. Petitioner who is appearing in person on the basis of some newspaper cutting states that one Narendra Joshi, who is residing in Washington DC, USA, requested the Chief Minister of Haryana, at his instance, the Airport strips is being constructed to facilitate him and for that purpose the tress are being cut.

Vide order dated 29.11.2018, we required learned Assistant Advocate General, Haryana to seek instructions in the matter. Today, he has come up with a letter issued by the Adviser, Civil Aviation, Haryana,

which goes on to record that Civil Aviation Haryana did not give any order to Forest Department/any agency for cutting of the trees from the reserved forest of Sonti in Kurukshetra for construction of any airstrip. It also records that on the visit of the Chief Minister in Ladwa Constituency there was a demand to construct the Civil airstrip but the Deputy Commissioner, Kurukshetra had sent a report that it is not feasible. The said letter is taken on record.

The averments therein clearly goes to show that PIL has been fled on the basis of mere apprehension without there being any material or substance to substantiate the allegations. For the aforesaid facts and reasons the Public Interest Litigation stands dismissed.

(KRISHNA MURARI)
CHIEF JUSTICE

(ARUN PALLI)
JUDGE

17.12.2018

Manoj Bhutani

Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No