

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

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CWP-3500-2021

Date of Decision : February 15, 2021

BHARAT BHUSHAN AND ORS

.....Petitioners

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ORS

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI

Present : Mr. R.S.Manhas, Advocate for the petitioners.

(Through Video Conferencing)

HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI, J. (Oral)

Learned counsel for the petitioner argues that by relying upon the order passed in RSA No.2630 of 1995 as well as in the various writ petitions, the details of which has have been given in the impugned letter dated 1.7.2020 (Annexure P-11), the ownership of forests has been changed to the detriment of the petitioners and that too without giving any opportunity of hearing to the petitioners, who are not party to the said litigation.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioners are not covered by the orders passed by the competent Court of law, which are being relied for the change of ownership to their detriment and the said fact has already been brought to the notice of the respondents by a representation dated 3.9.2020 (Annexure P-12).

Learned counsel for the petitioners further submits that the petitioners will be satisfied, at this stage, in case a time bound direction is given to respondent No.6 to decide the said representation (Annexure

P-12) in a time bound manner by passing an appropriate speaking order.

Notice of motion.

Ms. Sunint Kaur, AAG, Punjab, who has joined the proceedings through video conference, accepts notice on behalf of the State.

Learned State counsel raises no objection for deciding the representation dated 3.9.2020 (Annexure P-12) in a time bound manner by passing an appropriate speaking order.

Without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case or the facts mentioned in the representation, the present writ petition is disposed off with a direction to respondent No.6 to decide the representation dated 3.9.2020 (Annexure P-12) by passing an appropriate speaking order within a period of four weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

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(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned.	:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable.	:	Yes/No