

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

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(1)

CWP-22816-2021

Date of decision:10.11.2021

STATE OF PUNJAB

...Petitioner

Versus

THE STATE TRANSPORT APPELLATE TRIBUNAL AND OTHERS

...Respondents

(2)

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CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL KSHETARPAL

Present: Mr. Amit Jhanji, Sr. Advocate, with
Ms. Nikita Garg, Advocate,
Mr. Ravinder Rawal, Advocate,
Mr. Navdeep Chhabra, DAG, Punjab &
Mr. Charanpreet Singh, AAG, Punjab
for the petitioner-State.

Mr. Puneet Bali, Sr. Advocate, with
Mr. Uday Agnihotri, Advocate.
Mr. A.M.Punchhi, Advocate and
Mr. Anupam Bansal, Advocate.
Mr. Rohit Kapoor, Advocate
for the private respondent(s).

ANIL KSHETARPAL, J (Oral)

These writ petitions have come up for a preliminary hearing.

The State of Punjab assails the correctness of an interim order passed by the State Transport Appellate Tribunal (hereinafter referred to as 'the Tribunal').

The various learned senior counsels have appeared and apprised the Court that a large number of appeals have been preferred against the order passed by the competent authority (State Transport Commissioner) cancelling the extension of the original permit beyond 24 Kms.

Notice of motion.

On the request of this Court, Mr. Uday Agnihotri, Advocate, Mr. A.M.Punchhi, Advocate and Mr. Anupam Bansal, Advocate and Mr. Rohit Kapoor, Advocate, accepts notice on behalf of the private respondent(s).

In all the appeals, an identical issue shall be involved therefore, it is considered appropriate to request the Tribunal to decide the lead case positively within a period of 15 days from today.

All the counsels representing the appellants in the various appeals filed against the identical orders shall be permitted to assist the Tribunal so that the identical issue is decided in the lead case facilitating expeditious disposal of the remaining cases.

All the counsels representing the parties undertake not to seek unnecessary adjournments and assist the court by submitting their written synopsis and the gist of arguments in advance.

The parties shall be permitted to file additional synopsis, if any, within one week from today.

The parties through their counsels are directed to appear before the Tribunal on 11.11.2021 at 10:00AM to work out the modalities of procedure to be followed at the time of hearing.

With these observations, the writ petitions are disposed of.

All the pending miscellaneous applications, if any, are also disposed of.

November 10, 2021
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(ANIL KSHETARPAL)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable

: Yes/No
: Yes/No