

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

CWP-PIL-29-2018

Date of decision : 21.07.2022

Court on its own motion

.....Petitioner

Versus

Union Territory, Chandigarh and others

....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAVI SHANKER JHA, CHIEF JUSTICE
iHON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN PALLI

Present: Mr. Anil Mehta, Sr. Standing Counsel, UT Chandigarh, with
Mr. Parminder Singh Kanwar, Addl. Standing Counsel.

RAVI SHANKER JHA, CHIEF JUSTICE (Oral)

The respondents have filed an affidavit dated 18.03.2019 enumerating the steps taken by them to prevent re-occurring of the incident noticed by this Court. The same are re-produced :

*“4. That office of the Senior Superintendent of Police, Traffic and Security, U.T., Chandigarh vide letter dated 13.3.2019 asked the Finance Secretary-cum-Secretary Engineering, U.T. Chandigarh and the Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh for installation of ‘Table Top Speed Breakers’ and ‘Drive Slow-Wild Animal Crossing Area’ sign boards in all the venerable points which are adjoining to forest area land to control the speed of motor vehicle for the safety of both motorist and wild animal. The copy of letter dated 13.3.2019 is annexed herewith as **Annexure R-10**.*

5. That apart from this the office of the deponent has also issued instructions for setting up a special team under Inspector/Traffic/Admn. SI Ashok Tuli lines office/Traffic and MHC/Traffic to setup speed check nakas at all the

*venerable points alongwith forest area and has also setup a team under Inspector Paramjeet Kaur Sekhon, In-charge CTP to conduct awareness campaign regarding to educate motorist to drive slow and drive in lane on the stretch which are more venerable to wildlife movement. The copy of order issued by the deponent is annexed herewith as **Annexure R-11**.*

6. *That in compliance to the order issued by the deponent the wildlife awareness team of the Traffic Police had setup various education drives on the venerable roads adjoining to the forest area the details of such drives are annexure herewith as **Annexure R-12** and some of the photographs making motorists aware of the speed limits to be followed are annexure herewith as **Annexure R-13**.*

7. *That apart from this the Chandigarh Traffic Police have also started the special drive of challenging the motorist for violating the over speed limits on these venerable roads and also setup over speeding nakas and also started the drives of issuing the challans for drunken driving over these venerable road the details of such challans issued by Chandigarh traffic police is annexed herewith as **Annexure R-14**. The very object of these special drive are to make aware the motorist more aware of the fact these are sensitive areas where there are animal crossing points and hence they should be more aware while driving on these venerable roads so that to avoid man animal conflict so is to reduce animal hit injuries by the vehicles.*

8. *That apart from this the Chandigarh Traffic Police further pledge the all necessary possible care for setting up more measures that would be require for avoiding such incidents in future and make these venerable roads much safer for both motorist as well as wild animals.”*

In view of the aforesaid, we find that there is no need to retain this petition pending and be consigned to the records. However, if any cause of action survives, the petition shall be revived.

(RAVI SHANKER JHA)
CHIEF JUSTICE

(ARUN PALLI)
JUDGE

July 21, 2022
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Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No