

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CWP No.25918 of 2023
Date of decision : 17.11.2023

Navjit Singh

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH BHARDWAJ

Present: Mr. Pankaj Sharma, Advocate
for the petitioner.

RAJESH BHARDWAJ, J. (Oral)

Present writ petition has been filed for issuance of directions to respondent No.3 not to harass, humiliated, restrain and threat the petitioner from cutting his own trees grown on the land of the petitioner which have been de-listed and not under Forest Area as per the report of Demarcation submitted by the Revenue Officials on the application of the petitioner moved before the Court of Assistant Collector, 1st Grade-cum-Tehsildar, Ropar. Further prayer has been made for directing respondent No.3 to consider the report of the Revenue Officials regarding demarcation as the petitioner is cultivating the land since year 1970 on the same khasra numbers as earlier also the petitioner has cut the trees on his land.

It has been contended by learned counsel for the petitioner that the petitioner is the owner of the land on which he had planted the trees. He submits that demarcation has already been carried out by the

respondents-State and it is evident from the demarcation report that the petitioner has made no encroachment and has planted the trees in his own land. However, ignoring the same, the petitioner is being restrained by the respondents-State from cutting his own trees. He submits that for the redressal of grievance of the petitioner, he has already filed his representation dated 19.10.2023 (Annexure P-9) to the Chief Conservator of Forest, Punjab i.e. respondent No.2 but no decision has been taken on the same till date.

Notice of motion.

On asking of the Court, Ms. Akshita Chauhan, DAG, Punjab appears and accepts notice on behalf of the respondents.

In view of the above position, the present petition stands disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2-the Chief Conservator of Forest, Forest Complex, SAS Nagar, Mohali to look into the representation of the petitioner dated 19.10.2023 (Annexure P-9) and decide the same in accordance with law within a period of four weeks from today.

(RAJESH BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

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Whether reportable	:	Yes/No