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

CWP-25148-2025

Date of Decision: 14.10.2025

Balbir Singh and another

..... Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSH BUNGER

Present: Mr. Shubham Bhardwaj, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Nirmaljit Singh Diwana, Sr. DAG, Punjab.

Mr. Raman Sharma, Advocate
for respondent No.3.

HARSH BUNGER J. (ORAL)

Prayer in the present writ petition filed under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India is, *inter alia*, seeking issuance of a writ in the nature of Certiorari for setting aside the order dated 23.06.2025 (Annexure P-13) granting No Objection Certificate (NOC) for the establishment of Petrol Pump in favour of respondent No.3/respondent No.4.

2. During the course of hearing, it is not disputed by learned counsel for the respective parties that the No Objection Certificate (NOC) issued by the learned District Magistrate, Sangrur vide order dated 23.06.2025 (Annexure P-13), which is impugned in the present writ petition

would be amenable to challenge in terms of Rule 150 of the Petroleum Rules, 2002, which reads as under:-

“Rule 150. Cancellation of no objection certificate-

(1) A no objection certificate granted under rule 144 shall be liable to be cancelled by the District Authority or the State Government, if the District Authority or the State Government is satisfied that the licensee has ceased to have any right to use the site for storing petroleum:

Provided that before cancelling a no objection certificate, the licensee shall be given a reasonable opportunity of being heard.

(2). A District Authority or a State Government cancelling a no objection certificate shall record, in writing, the reasons for such cancellation and shall immediately furnish to the licensee and to the licensing authority concerned, a copy of the order cancelling the no objection certificate.”

3. Keeping in view the above, the petitioners are relegated to avail their remedy(ies) in terms of Rule 150 of the Petroleum Rules, 2002.
4. The present writ petition stands disposed of, accordingly.
5. All pending application(s), if any, shall also stand closed.

14.10.2025
Pd

(HARSH BUNGER)
JUDGE

1. Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No
2. Whether reportable : Yes/No