

**BEFORE THE NATIONAL GREEN TRIBUNAL,
PRINCIPAL BENCH, NEW DELHI**

**Original Application No. 161 of 2016
(M.A. Nos. 718/2016, 1093/2016, 17/2017, 81/2017, 376/2017, 1028/2017 &
1193/2017)**

And

**Original Application No. 162 of 2016
(M.A. No. 640/2016 & 994/2016)**

IN THE MATTER OF :

Dr. Amandeep Aggarwal Vs. State of Punjab & Ors.

And

Peacock Environment & Wild Life Protection Society Vs. State of Punjab

**CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SWATANTER KUMAR, CHAIRPERSON
HON'BLE DR. JUSTICE JAWAD RAHIM, JUDICIAL MEMBER
HON'BLE MR. BIKRAM SINGH SAJWAN, EXPERT MEMBER**

Present: Applicant:

Mr. Saurabh Sharma, Adv

Mr. Avneesh Arputham, Adv.

Respondent No. 2:

**Mr. Anil Grover, AAG & Mr. Rahul Khurana,
and Adv. for State of Haryana with HSPCB**

**Mr. Balendu Shekhar, Mr. Sriansh Prakash and
Mr. Rajkumar, Mr. Ravi Gopal Advs.**

Mr. Kamal Jeet Singh, AAG for Punjab Govt.

Mr. Ankit Verma, Adv.

**Mr. Shubham Bhalla, Ms. Roopam Adv for
Chandigarh Administration**

**Ms. Kritika Sachdeva and Mr. Mukesh Kumar,
Advs.**

**Mr. Raj Kumar, Adv. and Mr. Bhupender, LA for
Central Pollution Control Board**

Mr. Om Prakash, Adv. for Northern Railways

Mr. Naginder Benipal, Adv. for State of Punjab

**Mr. Attin Shankar Rastogi, Adv. for Ministry of
Environment, Forest and Climate Change**

Mr. I.K. Kapila, Adv.

**Mr. Edward Belho and Mr. Luikang and Ms.
Hoineithiam, Advs.**

Mr. Abhishek Atrey, Adv.

	Date and Remarks	Orders of the Tribunal
	Item No. 24 & 25 November 24, 2017 A	Mr. Harsh Kumar Sharma, IFS, Chief Conservator of Forests (Hills) Punjab is present. He tenders unconditional and unqualified apology and submits that the letter was issued under some mis-conception. Learned counsel appearing for the State of Punjab submits that the Competent Authority has already withdrawn the letter dated 14 th November, 2017 issued by the said Officer. Infact they have further issued directions that no Officer should issue such letters and all letters should be referred to the Competent Authority, circular

	<p>Item No. 24 & 25</p> <p>November 24, 2017</p> <p>A</p>	<p>letter of the State Government has been placed on record.</p> <p>In view of the above circumstances, we do not consider it necessary to take further action against the Officer. We accept his apology and withdraw Notice issued to him.</p> <p>The concerned DFOs are present. They submit that they need time to verify whether more than 1 Lacs trees actually been planted in the three Divisions, what is present status of the trees and when they were planted, what is their height and mortality rate. They pray for time. On their request, we grant time till next date of hearing.</p> <p>The report should be placed on record with the personal Affidavit of these DFOs who will be present before the Tribunal. It is only upon verification of the afforestation that we would be passing orders on the project of NHAI and other Project Proponent including that of PWD.</p> <p>List these matters on 30th November, 2017.</p> <p>.....,CP (Swatanter Kumar)</p> <p>.....,JM (Dr. Jawad Rahim)</p> <p>.....,EM (Bikram Singh Sajwan)</p>
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