



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 28.04.2016

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THE HONOURABLE MRS.JUSTICE PUSHPA SATHYANARAYANA

Writ Petition (MD) Nos.8581 to 8584 of 2016

P.Karuppannan	... Petitioner in W.P(MD)No.8581 of 2016
V.Subramanian	... Petitioner in W.P(MD)No.8582 of 2016
A.Chandrasekaran	... Petitioner in W.P(MD)No.8583 of 2016
K.Elavarasan	... Petitioner in W.P(MD)No.8584 of 2016

Vs.

- 1.THE MANAGING DIRECTOR,
THE TAMIL NADU STATE TRANSPORT
CORPORATION (KUMBAKONAM) LIMITED,
RAILWAY STATION ROAD, KUMBAKONAM,
THANJAVUR DISTRICT.
- 2.THE GENERAL MANAGER,
THE TAMIL NADU STATE TRANSPORT
CORPORATION (KUMBAKONAM) LIMITED,
PUDUKOTTAI.
- 3.THE ADMINISTRATOR, THE TAMIL NADU STATE TRANSPORT
CORPORATION EMPLOYEES PENSION FUND TRUST,
THIRUVALLUVAR HOUSE, PALLAVAN SALAI,
CHENNAI - 2. .. Respondents in WP(MD)No.8581/2016
- 1.THE MANAGING DIRECTOR,
THE TAMIL NADU STATE TRANSPORT
CORPORATION (KUMBAKONAM) LIMITED,
RAILWAY STATION ROAD, KUMBAKONAM,
THANJAVUR DISTRICT.
- 2 THE GENERAL MANAGER,TAMIL NADU STATE TRANSPORT
CORPORATION (KUMBAKONAM) LTD,
PERIYAMILAGUPARAI, TRICHY-1.
- 3 THE ADMINISTRATOR,TAMIL NADU STATE TRANSPORT
CORPORATION EMPLOYEES PENSION FUND TRUST
THIRUVALLUVAR HOUSE, PALLAVAN SALAI,
CHENNAI-600002. .. Respondents in WP(MD)No.8582, 8583/ 2016
- 1 THE MANAGING DIRECTOR, TAMILNADU STATE TRANSPORT
CORPORATION (KUMBAKONAM) LTD,
RAILWAY STATION ROAD, KUMBAKONAM,
THANJAVUR DISTRICT.



2 THE GENERAL MANAGER, TAMIL NADU STATE TRANSPORT
CORPORATION (KUMBAKONAM) LTD,
PERIYAMILAGUPARAI,
TRICHY-1

... Respondents in WP(MD)No.8584/2016

Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying for issuance of a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to settle payment of Gratuity Earned Leave Commutation of Pension and other retiral benefits payable to the petitioner in all WPs. with reasonable rate of interest within the time frame that may be stipulated by this Court.

For Petitioner (in all WPS): Mr.N.Sudhagar Nagaraj

For Respondents(in all WPS): Mr.D.Sivaraman

COMMON ORDER

The prayer in the writ petitions is for the issue of a writ of mandamus to direct the respondents to pay retirement benefits with interest to the petitioners.

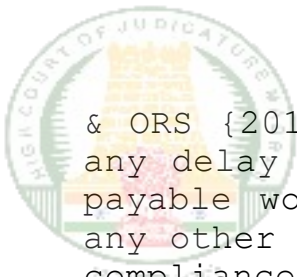
2.It is stated that though the petitioners were allowed to retire from the service of the respondents, till date the respondent Corporation has not settled the retirement benefits. Hence, they have given representations to settle the entire terminal benefits along with interest for the belated payment. As there was no response to the said representations, the petitioners have come up with the above writ petitions.

3.When the matter is taken up for hearing, Mr.D.Sivaraman, learned Standing Counsel appearing for the respondents has submitted that the issue is covered by a judgment, passed by the Honourable Division Bench in W.A.(MD).Nos.383 to 457 of 2015 dated 12.06.2015. He has further submitted that the respondents would consider the request of the petitioners in the light of the judgment passed by the Honourable Division Bench.

4.For ready reference, the judgment passed by the Hon'ble Division Bench in W.A.(MD).Nos.383 to 457 of 2015 dated 12.06.2015 is extracted as follows:

"The learned Additional Advocate General submits that he has obtained written instructions vide letter No.7945/E/2015-2 dated 11.06.2015 that the terminal benefits of the appellants would be settled through twelve equal monthly instalments, carrying interest of 6% p.a.

2.The said statement is thus taken on record and the respondents will be bound by the same, we have to keep in mind the judicial pronouncement of the Honourable Supreme Court in D.D.TEWARI (D) THR. LRS. Vs. UTTAR HARYANA BIJLI VITRAN NIGAM LTD



& ORS {2014 (9) SCALE - 78}, wherein it is held that in case of any delay in making the payment of the installments, the interest payable would become 18% p.a., for the delayed period apart from any other remedy which may be available to the appellants for non-compliance of undertaking given to this Court.

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3.The installments to be paid from July 2015 and each installment should be paid on or before 7th of each month"

5.Following the judgment of the Hon'ble Division Bench of this Court referred to above, the respondents are directed to pay the amount due to the petitioners in 12 equal installments commencing from 10th June 2016. Further, if there are settlements or awards, the Corporation is obliged to take the same into account while arriving at the figure. It is needless to mention that the entire arrears shall carry interest at the rate of 6% per annum. In case of delay in making installments, the interest payable could be 18% for the delayed period.

6.The aforesaid direction to settle the terminal benefits would not preclude the workman to question the computation of any of the terminal benefits, if the same is paid lesser than the amount to which, they are entitled to receive. Likewise, if the petitioners have any grievance that they are entitled to interest for the amount already settled, they can agitate the same as per law, if they are entitled to.

7.With the above direction, the writ petitions are disposed of. No costs.

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To,

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+4CC to Mr. NSudhagar Nagaraj Advocate Sr.No.25047, 25053, 25048, 25049
+4CC to Mr. D. Sivaraman Advocate Sr.No.25193, 25194, 25195, 25196

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