



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 28.07.2017

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE R.MAHADEVAN

W.P.(MD)No.14033 of 2017

C.Gopal

... Petitioner

Vs.

The General Manager,
State Express Transport Corporation (Tamil Nadu) Ltd.,
Pallavan Salai,
Chennai - 600 002.

... Respondent

Prayer: Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying for the issuance of a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondent to pay the petitioner Rs.2,27,676/- towards leave salary and also other benefits together with 18% interest per annum, within a time frame as may be fixed by this Hon'ble Court.

For Petitioner : Mr.R.Murugan

For Respondent : K.Sathiya Singh

ORDER

This petition has been filed, seeking for a direction to the respondent to pay the retirement benefits to the petitioner together with 18% interest per annum.

2. The petitioner was employed as Special Grade Senior Technician in the respondent Corporation and he retired from service on 31.05.2011 on attaining the age of superannuation.

3. The First Bench of this Court in similar matter has passed an order dated 12.06.2015 in W.A.(MD) Nos.383 to 457 of 2015, issuing direction to the transport Corporations to settle the terminal benefits of its employees in equal monthly instalments and to pay 6% interest on the terminal benefits payable to the workman. The Bench has also held that workman is entitled to 18% interest for the defaulted period of instalment.

4. In these circumstances, this writ petition is disposed of with the following directions:-

i) A direction is issued to the transport corporation to settle the retirement benefits of the petitioner that are yet to be settled, in twelve equal monthly instalments;



ii) The first instalment shall commence by making payment on or before the 5th September 2017 and the amount in each of the remaining instalments shall be paid on or before 5th of every succeeding month;

iii) The said retirement amount shall carry interest @ 6% per annum, as per the Division Bench judgment referred to above. In case of delay in making instalments, the interest payable could be 18% for the delayed period;

iv) The aforesaid direction to settle the retirement 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, he is entitled to receive. Likewise, if the petitioner has any grievance that he is entitled to interest for the amount already settled, he can agitate the same as per law, if he is entitled. No costs.

Sd/-

Assistant Registrar(AE)

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Sub Assistant Registrar(C.S.)

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