



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 04.03.2020

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MRS.JUSTICE J.NISHA BANU

W.P. (MD) No.4594 of 2020

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A.Vasudhevan

... Petitioner

vs.

The Managing Director

Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation (Madurai) Limited

Bye-pass road

Madurai 625 016

... Respondent

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of writ of mandamus, directing the respondent to pay interest at the rate of 6% per annum to the petitioner for the belated payment of Gratuity, Provident fund and Leave salary from the date of retirement to the date of actual payment.

For Petitioner : Mr.C.Thangamani

For Respondent : Mr.T.Senthil Kumariah

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By consent of both parties, this writ petition is taken up for final disposal at the stage of admission itself.

2.The petitioner's retirement benefits were settled belatedly on 21.09.2019 and in view of such belated settlement, the present writ petition has been filed seeking for interest on the belated payment of the terminal benefits.

3.It is brought to the notice of this Court that in an identical case of batch of writ petitions entertained by this Court, directions have been issued to the respondents to pay the interest at the rate of 6% on the belated payment of the terminal benefits. This Court does not intend to deviate from the said procedure.

4.The learned Standing Counsel appearing for the respondent Corporation would submit that in view of the financial burden cast on the respondent corporation, they may be permitted to pay the interest on the belated payment in a liberal monthly installments.

5.I am not in agreement with the said representation made. There was already a duty cast on the respondent corporation to pay the terminal benefits on the date of retirement itself and the very fact that the belated disbursement of retirement benefit, would

