



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 14.09.2021

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE C.SARAVANAN

W.P.NOS.19264, 19265, 19267, 19269, 19272, 19274,
19277, 19278, 19283 & 19285 OF 2021

(THROUGH VIDEO CONFERENCING)

1.M.Subramani	...	Petitioner in W.P.No.19264 of 2021
2.N.Rajan	...	Petitioner in W.P.No.19265 of 2021
3.C.Peter	...	Petitioner in W.P.No.19267 of 2021
4.R.Rajan	...	Petitioner in W.P.No.19269 of 2021
5.M.Parameswaran	...	Petitioner in W.P.No.19272 of 2021
6.M.Abdulrahman	...	Petitioner in W.P.No.19274 of 2021
7.R.Rajan	...	Petitioner in W.P.No.19277 of 2021
8.R.Sellan	...	Petitioner in W.P.No.19278 of 2021
9.K.Sivan	...	Petitioner in W.P.No.19283 of 2021
10.P.Krishnamoorthy	...	Petitioner in W.P.No.19285 of 2021

Vs

Tamil Nadu State Transport
Corporation (Coimbatore) Limited,
Represented by The Managing Director,
No.37, Mettupalayam Salai,
Coimbatore - 641 301.

... Respondent in all W.Ps



Common Prayer: Petitions filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondent to pay the petitioners interest at the rate of 6% per annum for the belated payment of their Provident Fund, Gratuity and Earned Leave Salary within a specified time.

For Petitioners : Mr.R.Krishnaswamy
(In all W.Ps)

For Respondent : Mr.A.Sundaravadhanan
(In all W.Ps) Standing Counsel

COMMON ORDER

Though these writ petitions have been filed for a Mandamus, to direct the respondent to pay interest at the rate of 6% per annum for the belated payment of the petitioners Provident Fund, Gratuity and Earned Leave Salary, in terms of the decision of this Court in W.P.No.15886 of 2020 vide order dated 19.01.2021, it is noticed that this view has been subsequently modified in W.P.No.506 of 2021 vide order dated 24.03.2021 considering the constraints of the State Finance due out break of Covid-19 Pandemic with the following observations:-

“(i) Respondent/Transport Corporation is directed to pay interest @ 4% per annum to the Petitioner for the belated payment of gratuity, leave salary and communication of pension amount that are yet to be settled, in six equal monthly instalments, commencing 01.04.2021.

(ii) In case of delay in making instalments within the time stipulated supra, with reference to the judgment of the Division Bench of this Court (supra), interest payable for the period of delay shall be at 6% per annum.”

2. Considering the same, these Writ Petitions are disposed by directing the respondent to pay interest at the rate of 4% per annum to the petitioners for the belated payment of



Provident Fund, Gratuity and Earned Leave Salary etc., within a period of six months in six equated monthly instalments. No costs.

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To

The Managing Director,
Tamil Nadu State Transport
Corporation (Coimbatore) Limited,
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Coimbatore - 641 301.

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