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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 15.09.2021

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE C.SARAVANAN

W.P.NO.19487 OF 2021

(Through Video Conferencing)

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... Petitioner

.Vs.

1. The Tamil Nadu State Transport
Corporation (Coimbatore) Ltd.,
Rep. by its Managing Director,
No.37, Mettupalayam Salai,
Coimbatore - 641 043.

2. The Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporations
Employees' Pension Fund Trust,
Rep. by its Administrator,
Thiruvalluvar Illam,
Pallavan Salai,
Chennai - 600 002.

... Respondents

PRAYER:-

Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India to issue a Writ of Mandamus, to direct the respondent to pay interest to the petitioner for the belated payment of P.F, commuted value of pension and Gratuity at the rate of 4% per annum, within a specified time as may be fixed by this Honourable Court award costs.

For Petitioner : Mr.R.Krishnaswamy

For Respondents : Mr.A.Sundaravadhanan
Standing Counsel



ORDER

Though this writ petition has been filed for a Mandamus, to direct the respondents to pay the petitioner interest at the rate of 4% per annum for the belated payment of the petitioner P.F. commuted value of pension and gratuity 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, this Writ Petition is disposed by directing the respondents to pay interest at the rate of 4% per annum to the petitioner for the belated payment of gratuity, earned leave salary et cetera within a period of six months in six equated monthly instalments.

3. This Writ Petition stands disposed of with the above observations. No costs.

Sd/-
Assistant Registrar(CS VII)

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Sub Assistant Registrar

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To

1. The Managing Director,
The Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation
(Coimbatore) Ltd.,
No.37, Mettupalayam Salai,
Coimbatore - 641 043.



2. The Administrator,
The Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporations
Employees' Pension Fund Trust,
Thiruvalluvar Illam,
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