



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT
(Civil Appellate Jurisdiction)

Friday, the Seventeenth day of September Two Thousand and Twenty One

PRESENT

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The Hon'ble Mr.Justice D.KRISHNAKUMAR

SUB A(MD) No.184 of 2021 in
Cont.P.(MD) No.563 of 2021

P.THIRUVAMBALAM PILLAI,
MANAGING DIRECTOR,
THE TAMIL NADU STATE TRANSPORT CORPORATION
(MADURAI) LIMITED,
MADURAI-10.

... PETITIONER/1st CONTEMNOR/
1st RESPONDENT

Vs

1. P.ANGUSAMY
2. BAMA
THE ADMINISTRATOR,
THE TAMIL NADU STATE TRANSPORT EMPLOYEES'
PENSION FUND TRUST,
THIRUVALUVAR ILLAM, ANNA SALAI, CHENNAI-2

... 1st RESPONDENT/PETITIONER/
PETITIONER

... 2nd RESPONDENT/2nd CONTEMNOR
2nd RESPONDENT

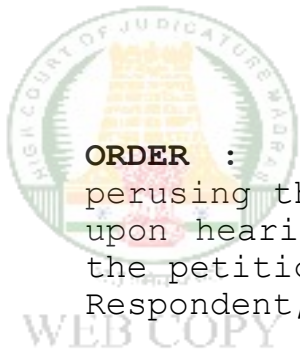
Petition filed praying that in the circumstances stated therein and in the affidavit filed therewith the High Court may be pleased to grant six months time for reporting compliance of the order made in W.P.(MD).No.25911 of 2019 dated 05.12.2019 passed by this Hon'ble Court.

Prayer in CONT P(MD) No.563/ 2021 :

To punish the contemnors/Respondents for wilfully disobeying and not complying with the order of this Hon'ble Court dated 05-12-2019 in W.P(MD).No. 25911 of 2019.

Prayer in WP(MD) No.25911/ 2019 :

Writ Petition is filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court directing the respondents to pay interest at the rate of 18 percent per annum , for the period of delay from 01/01/2019 to 21/09/2019 in paying the amounts paid towards the terminal and pension benefits of the petitioner namely EPF Employees Contribution, Gratuity, Encashment of Earned / Sick leaves and Commuted Value of Pension, within a time frame as may be fixed by this Court and without affecting his right to claim balance amounts towards those benefits.



ORDER : This petition coming up for orders on this day, upon perusing the petition and the affidavit filed in support thereof and upon hearing the arguments of MR.J.SENTHIL KUMARAIAH, Advocate for the petitioner and of MR.S.ARUNACHALAM, Advocate on behalf of the 1st Respondent, the court made the following order:-

This sub application has been filed by the Transport Corporation seeking extension of time of six months for reporting compliance of the order dated 05.12.2019 passed in W.P.(MD) No.25911 of 2019 by this Court.

2. Mr.J.Senthil Kumaraiah, learned Standing Counsel appearing for the Transport Corporation, submitted that due to hefty financial crisis meted out by the Transport Corporation on account of COVID-19 lockdown since 24.03.2020, the terminal benefits of the retired employees could not be settled in time. However, despite the cruel situation, the Management is taking effective steps to settle the retirement benefits to the employees. Therefore, the learned Standing Counsel seeks for six months time to comply with the orders and directions issued by this Court in the writ petition.

3. The learned counsel appearing for the respondent / writ petitioner has not raised any serious objection for the above submission of the learned Standing Counsel, however, he would submit that the respondent / writ petitioner is in urgent need of money for catering to the needs of his family and hence, a reasonable time may be granted to the Transport Corporation to settle the terminal benefits.

4. Taking into consideration the submissions made by the learned counsel on either and also the facts and circumstances of the case, time is extended till 22.10.2021 so as to enable the Transport Corporation to comply with the orders and directions issued by this Court.

5. Post the contempt petition on 22.10.2021.

6. Accordingly, this sub application is ordered.

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17/09/2021

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Sub-Assistant Registrar (C.S.)
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
Madurai - 625 023.



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