

June 07, 2022
ARDR
(74)

**IN THE HIGH COURT AT CALCUTTA
Circuit Bench at Jalpaiguri**

WPA No. 576 of 2022

Juthika Roy
Versus
The State of West Bengal & Ors.

Mr. Deboshri Dhar ...for the Petitioner

Mr. Hirak Barman,
Ms. Bedashruti Bose,
...for the State

Affidavit of service filed in court today is kept with the record.

The petitioner was appointed as Primary Assistant Teacher and superannuated on **31.12.2004**. Despite completing all pension related formalities within due time the pension payment order was issued by the concerned authority on **17.05.2007**. The gratuity amount and arrear pension were disbursed in favour of the petitioner for on **31.8.2007**. The petitioner has prayed for interest on the gratuity and arrear pension amount due to delay in disbursal of the same.

Upon consideration of the submission made on behalf of the parties and material on record, the Director of Pension, Provident Fund and Group Insurance and the Treasury Officer, **Jalpaiguri-II** are

directed to pay interest to the petitioner @ 8% per annum on the gratuity and arrear pension amount calculated from 01.01.2005 till the date of actual payment of the amount. Such payment be made within one month from the date of communication of this order.

With these observations, the writ petition is disposed of.

Since, no affidavit-in-opposition has been called for, the allegations made in the writ petition are deemed to have not been admitted by the respondents.

There will be no order as to costs.

Urgent certified website copy of this order, if applied for, be furnished to the parties upon compliance of necessary formalities.

(Suvra Ghosh,J)