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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 20.10.2022

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE G.R.SWAMINATHAN

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S.Varatharajan

... Petitioner

Vs

1.The Management of Tamil Nadu
State Transport Corporation (Madurai) Ltd.,
Dindigul Region,
Represented by its
General Manager,
Dindigul.

2.The Administrator,
Tamil Nadu State Transport Employees'
Pension Fund Trust,
Thiruvalluvar Illam,
Anna Salai,
Chennai – 2.

... Respondents

Prayer: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to pay the petitioner interest at the rate of 18 percent per annum, for the period of delay from 01.06.2019 to 29.01.2021, in paying the amounts paid towards the terminal and pension benefits of the petitioner, namely, EPF Employee's



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Contribution, Gratuity, Encashment of earned leave 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.

For Petitioner : Mr.S.Arunachalam

For Respondents : Mr.S.Ramachandra Pradeep
Standing Counsel for R.1

Mr.S.C.Herold Singh
Standing Counsel for R.2

ORDER

Heard the learned counsel on either side.

2. The writ petitioner joined the respondent Corporation as Driver. He retired on 31.05.2019. However, his terminal benefits were settled only on 30.01.2021. It is well settled that for such belated settlement, the retired employee is entitled to interest. I, therefore, direct the respondent Corporation to pay the interest to the writ petitioner computed at the rate of 6% per annum on the belated disbursement from the date of retirement till date of settlement. The interest amount shall be paid within a period of twelve weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.



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3. This writ petition is allowed. No costs.

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