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Item No.20

**IN THE HIGH COURT AT CALCUTTA
Circuit Bench at Jalpaiguri
Constitutional Writ Jurisdiction**

WPA No. 1620 of 2023

Subir Kumar Dutta
Vs.
The State of West Bengal & Ors.

Mr. Debjit Kundu
...for the Petitioner

Mr. Subir Kumar Saha
Mr. Pretom Das
...for the State

Affidavit of service filed in Court today is taken
on record.

The petitioner was appointed as Librarian of
Library and superannuated on 31th January, 2021.
Despite completing all pension related formalities
within due time the pension payment order was
issued by the concerned authority on 10th August,
2021. The gratuity amount and arrear pension were
disbursed in favour of the petitioner on 04th October,
2021. 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, Government of West Bengal and the

Treasury Officer, Dinhata are directed to pay interest to the petitioner @ 8% per annum on the gratuity and arrear pension amount calculated from 1st February, 2021 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 the above observations and directions this writ petition is disposed of.

There shall be, however, no order as to costs.

Since no affidavit is invited, the allegations contained in the petition are deemed not to be admitted.

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

(Suvra Ghosh,J)