

03.08.2023  
A.P.  
Item No.21

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

**WPA No. 1621 of 2023**

Narayan Choudhury  
Vs.  
The State of West Bengal & Ors.

Mr. Debjit Kundu  
...for the Petitioner

Mr. Hirak Barman  
Momenur Rahman  
...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 30<sup>th</sup> November, 2020.  
Despite completing all pension related formalities  
within due time the pension payment order was  
issued by the concerned authority on 2<sup>nd</sup> September,  
2021. The gratuity amount and arrear pension were  
disbursed in favour of the petitioner on 16<sup>th</sup>  
September, 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, Cooch Behar-II are directed to pay interest to the petitioner @ 8% per annum on the gratuity and arrear pension amount calculated from 1<sup>st</sup> December, 2020 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)**