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W.P.No.5272 of 2023

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 23.02.2023

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE M.S.RAMESH

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T. Pangajavalli

... Petitioner

Vs.

1.The Managing Director,
Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation Ltd,
37, Mettupalayam Road,
Coimbatore - 43.

2.The General Manager,
Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation Ltd,
Erode Region, Chennimalai Road,
Erode - 638 001.

Respondents

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PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondent to pay the admitted amount of Rs.31,431/- payable towards the encashment of earned leaves, surrendered by the petitioner along with 18 % interest p.a., within a time frame as may be fixed by this Court.

For Petitioner : Mr.N. Senthil Kumar

For Respondents : Mr.M. Murali Vinoth



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ORDER

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Mr.M. Murali Vinoth, learned counsel, accepts notice for the respondents. By consent of both parties, this Writ Petition is taken up for final disposal at the stage of admission itself.

2. Aggrieved against the non-settlement of the surrender leave salary to the petitioner, she has claimed settlement of surrender leave salary together with interest in this Writ Petition.

3. In an identical circumstance, when a similarly placed employee had sought for payment of his surrender leave salary together with interest, this Court, in the case of '***N.R.Suresh Babu Vs. The Principal Secretary to Government and another passed in WP(MD)No.3757 of 2021 dated 26.02.2021***', had directed the Transport Corporation to settle the surrender leave salary together with interest at the rate of 6% per annum from the date of his retirement till the date of actual disbursement, in six equal monthly installments. The relevant portion of the order reads as follows:

“9.Accordingly, there shall be a direction to the second respondent herein to settle the surrender leave salary for 105 days, in respect of the years



2009-2016, together with interest at the rate of 6% per annum from the date of retirement till the date of actual disbursement. The second respondent shall be entitled to disburse the surrender leave salary in six Equal Monthly Installments and the 1st Installment shall commence from 1st of March 2021.”

The aforesaid order came to be confirmed by the Hon'ble Division Bench of this Court in a Judgment passed in WA(MD)Nos.1883 to 1892 of 2021, dated 04.10.2021.

4. In view of the earlier orders passed by this Court, the petitioner herein would be entitled for claim of surrender leave salary for the eligible amount, together with interest at the rate of 6% per annum payable from the date of her retirement till the date of actual disbursement.

5. In the light of the above observations, the respondents herein are directed to disburse the surrender leave salary, as ordered above, in six (6) equal monthly installments, whereby the first installment shall commence from 1st of April, 2023.



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6. Accordingly, the Writ Petition stands ordered. No costs.

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