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W.P.No.18781 of 2023

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 27.06.2023

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE M.S. RAMESH

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C. Dhayalan

... Petitioner

Vs.

1.The Managing Director,
Tamil Nadu State Transport
Corporation (Villupuram) Ltd.,
3/137, Salamedu,
Villupuram – 605 602.

2.The General Manager,
Tamil Nadu State Transport
Corporation (Villupuram) Ltd.,
Vellore Region,
Rangapuram, Vellore – 632 009.

3.The Administrator,
Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporations
Employees' Pension Fund Trust,
Thiruvalluvar Illam,
Anna Salai, Chennai – 600 002.

... 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 petitioner the interest at the rate of 8% per annum for the belated payment of his Earned Leave Salary, Gratuity and Commuted Value of pension within a time limit to be stipulated by this Court.



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For Petitioner : Mr.J. Lakshminarayanan

For Respondents : Mr.R. Venkatesa Perumal
Standing Counsel [R1 & R2]
Mr.C.S.K. Sathish,
Standing Counsel [R3]

ORDER

With the consent of both the parties, this Writ Petition is taken up for final disposal at the admission stage itself.

2. The petitioner herein had retired from service on 30.04.2018 on attaining the age of superannuation. However, his terminal benefits came to be settled belatedly and the respondent has not paid the interest for the belated payment, for which he has given representation on 23.03.2023, which is yet to be considered.

3. This Court, in various decisions, have already taken a view that in all cases of belated payment of the terminal benefits, the concerned employee would be entitled for interest at the rate of 4% per annum. In this background, this Court is of the view that the petitioner would be entitled for interest at the rate of 4% per annum on the belated payment of the terminal benefits.



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4. In the light of the above observations, there shall be a direction to the first respondent herein, to pay interest at the rate of 4% per annum on the belated payment of the terminal benefits from the date of his retirement till the date of actual payment, within a period of four (4) weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

5. With the above direction, the Writ Petition stands disposed of. No costs.

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