



W.P.No.23779 of 2023

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 11.08.2023

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THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE N.SATHISH KUMAR

Writ Petition No.23779 of 2023

A.Ravi Kumar

..... Petitioner

-Versus-

1.The General Manager,
Metropolitan Transport Corporation (Chennai) Ltd.,
Pallavan Salai, Chennai 600 002.

2.The Branch Manager,
Tondiarpet Depot,
Metropolitan Transport Corporation (Chennai) Ltd.,
Tondiarpet, Chennai 600 081.

..... Respondents

Petition filed under Article 226 of The Constitution of India, praying to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to pay penal interest of 4% per annum on payment of belated retirement benefits to the petitioner.

For Petitioner : *Mr.S.Ravichandran*

For Respondent (s) : *Mr.R.Balaji for*
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ORDER

This Writ Petition has been filed seeking to issue a writ in the nature of mandamus directing the respondents to pay penal interest @ 4% p.a. to the petitioner on the retirement benefits, which were settled belatedly.



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2. It is the case of the writ petitioner that he joined in the respondent Corporation as Driver on 11.04.1990 and retired from service voluntarily on 31.12.2020. It is the grievance of the writ petitioner that the respondents paid the retirement benefits such as Provident Fund & Gratuity amount belatedly without any interest. Hence, he made a representation requesting the respondents to pay interest at the rate of 4 per annum for the belated settlement of retirement benefits but the same has not been considered till date. Hence, this writ petition.

3. It is the contention of the learned counsel for the petitioner that the retirement benefits were not settled on time and therefore, the petitioner is entitled to interest on retirement benefits which were settled belatedly.

4. In such view of the matter, the respondent Corporation is directed to pay 4% interest per annum to the petitioner on the retirement benefits, which were settled belatedly, within a period of two months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

5. With the above direction, this writ petition stands disposed of. There shall be no order as to costs.

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Neutral Citation : yes / no
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