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W.P.No.23803 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.23803 of 2023

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..... Petitioner

-Versus-

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

2.The Administrator,
Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation
Employees Pension Fund Trust,
No.2, Pallavan Salai,
Chennai 600 002.

..... Respondents

Petition filed under Article 226 of The Constitution of India, praying to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondent to pay interest @ 10% per annum for the belated payment of Gratuity and Provident Fund, Leave Salary amount to the petitioner.

For Petitioner : Mr.S.T.Varadarajulu

*For Respondent(s) : Mr.R.Venkatesa Perumal
for R1
Mr.C.S.K.Sathish for R2*



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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 @ 10% per annum to the petitioner on the retirement benefits, which were settled belatedly.

2. It is the case of the writ petitioner that he joined in the respondent Corporation as Company Trainee on 30.01.1986 and retired from service as Senior Assistant Engineer on 31.05.2022. It is the grievance of the writ petitioner that the respondents settled the retirement benefits such as Leave Salary, Gratuity, Provident Fund and Commutation belatedly without any interest. Hence, he made a representation requesting the respondents to pay interest at the rate of 10% per annum for the belated settlement of his 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.



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5. With the above direction, this writ petition stands disposed of. There

shall be no order as to costs.

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