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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 02.06.2023

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE G.R.SWAMINATHAN

W.P(MD)No.12787 of 2023

R.V.Maruthupandian ... Petitioner

Vs.

The Management of Tamil Nadu State
Express Transport Corporation (Tamilnadu) Ltd.,
Rep. by its Managing Director,
Pallavan Salai, Chennai – 2. ... Respondent

Prayer : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondent to pay interest to the petitioner for the delayed payment of his terminal benefits at the rate of 18 percent per annum, for the periods of delay from 01.10.20 to 30.11.22 in paying amounts towards EPF Employees Contribution, Gratuity and Encashment of Leaves, within a time frame as may be fixed by this Court and without affecting his right to claim balance amounts towards those benefits.

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For Petitioner : Mr.S.Arunachalam

For Respondent : Mr.D.Jebaraj,
Standing Counsel.

ORDER

Heard the learned counsel on either side.

2.The writ petitioner joined the respondent corporation as Conductor in the year 1986. He retired from service on 30.09.2020. However, his terminal benefits were settled only on 01.12.2022.

3.It is well settled that for such belated settlement, the retired employee is entitled to interest. I, therefore, direct the respondent Corporation to pay the interest to the writ petitioner computed at the rate of 6% per annum on the belated disbursement from the date of retirement till date of settlement. The interest amount shall be paid within a period of twelve weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

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4.This writ petition is allowed accordingly. No costs.

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