



W.P(MD)No.12918 of 2023

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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 05.06.2023

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE G.R.SWAMINATHAN

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M.Karuppasamy

... Petitioner

Vs

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

2.The Administrator,
Tamil Nadu State Transport
Employees' Pension Fund Trust,
Thiruvalluvar Illam,
Pallavan 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 the petitioner interest at the rate of 18 percentage per annum, the period of delay from 01.12.2021 to 26.03.2023 in paying the amounts paid towards his terminal / pension benefits, namely, EPF Employees Contribution, Gratuity and Commuted Value of Pension 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 Respondents : Mr.K.Senthil Kumar
Standing Counsel for R.1

Mr.S.C.Herold Singh
Standing Counsel for R.2

ORDER

Heard the learned counsel on either side.

2. The writ petitioner joined the respondent Corporation as Driver. He retired on 30.11.2021. However, his terminal benefits were settled only on 26.03.2023. It is well settled that for such belated settlement, the retired employee is entitled to interest. I therefore direct the respondent Corporation to pay 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.

3. This writ petition is allowed. There shall be no order as to costs.

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