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W.P.(MD)NO.14739 OF 2023

**BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT**

**DATED: 22.06.2023**

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**THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE G.R.SWAMINATHAN**

**W.P.(MD)No.14739 of 2023**

R.Mohanraj

... Petitioner

Vs.

1. The Managing Director,  
State Express Transport Corporation (TN) Ltd.,  
Corporate Office, No.3, Pallavan Salai, Chennai – 600 002.
2. The Finance Advisor & Chief Accounts Officer,  
State Express Transport Corporation (TN) Ltd.,  
Corporate Office, No.2, Pallavan Salai, Chennai – 600 002.
3. The Administrator,  
TNSTC Employees Pension Trust,  
SETC (TN) Ltd., No.2, Pallavan Salai,  
Chennai – 600 002.

... Respondents

**Prayer:** Writ petition is filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a Writ of Mandamus, to direct the respondents to disburse the interest at the rate of 6% as per court direction for belated payment of terminal benefits amount of Gratuity and Leave Salary for the total amount is as Rs.39,19,650/- and its interest comes for the same is Rs.2,15,581/- for a period of more than 11 months from 1.07.2022 to 31.05.2023 to the petitioner.

For Petitioner : Mr.K.Gokul

For R-1 & R-2 : Mr.K.Senthilkumar,  
Standing Counsel.



For R-3

: Mr.S.C.Herold Singh,  
Standing Counsel.

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**ORDER**

Heard the learned counsel on either side.

2. The petitioner worked as Selection Grade Senior Driver in the respondent Corporation. He retired on 30.06.2022. However, his terminal benefits were settled only on 27.05.2023.

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.

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

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NCS : Yes / No  
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