



W.P.(MD).No.18443 of 2023

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DATED : 31.07.2023

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**THE HONOURABLE MRS.JUSTICE L.VICTORIA GOWRI**

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K.Punithavalli

... Petitioner

Vs.

1.The Managing Director,  
Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation  
(Kumbakonam) Limited,  
Kumbakonam,  
Thanjavur District.

2.The General Manager,  
Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation  
(Kumbakonam) Limited,  
Periyamilaguparaai,  
Trichy Region,  
Tiruchirappalli District.

... Respondents

**Prayer** : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to settle the interest for the belated payment of retirement benefits along with Gratuity, Provident fund and other retirement benefits payable to the petitioner with 6% rate of interest.

For Petitioner : Mr.N.Sudhagar Nagaraj



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For Respondents : Mr.K.Ramaiah  
Standing Counsel

### **ORDER**

The present writ petition has been filed seeking direction to the respondents to settle the interest for the belated payment of retirement benefits along with Gratuity, Provident fund and other retirement benefits payable to the petitioner with 6% rate of interest.

2. By consent of both parties, this Writ Petition is taken up for final disposal at the stage of admission itself.

3. The petitioner's husband was employed in the respondent Corporation on 03.02.1995. The petitioner's husband died during his service period on 07.10.2020.

4. It is admitted that the petitioner's husband's terminal benefits were not settled immediately but only belatedly. The only question that arises for consideration is as regards the rate of interest payable on the belated settlement.



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5. The issue raised in this writ petition was already decided by this Court vide order, dated 07.03.2023 in ***W.P(MD)No.4866 of 2023 (C.Murugan Vs. The Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation (Tirunelveli) Ltd., & Another).***

6. In view of the above, this Writ Petition stands allowed by directing the respondent Corporation to pay interest at the rate of 6% per annum for belated settlement of petitioner's husband's terminal benefits. This shall be done within a period of twelve (12) weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. There shall be no order as to costs.

**31.07.2023**

NCC : Yes / No  
Index : Yes / No  
Internet : Yes  
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To

1. The Managing Director,  
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2. The General Manager,  
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