



W.P(MD)No.18659 of 2023

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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DATED : 02.08.2023

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

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S.Kannan

...Petitioner

**Vs.**

The Management of  
Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation (Thirunelveli) Ltd.,  
Thirunelveli Region,  
Rep. by its General Manager,  
Thirunelveli.

...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 the petitioner interest at the rate of 6% per annum, for the period of delay from 01.07.2022 to 31.05.2023 in paying the amounts towards the terminal benefits namely EPF Employee's Contribution, Gratuity and Encashment of leave within a time frame as may be fixed by this Court.



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For Petitioner : Mr.s. Arunachalam  
For respondent : Mr.D. Jebaraj  
Standing Counsel

### **ORDER**

The present writ petition has been filed seeking direction to the respondent to pay the petitioner interest at the rate of 6% per annum, for the period of delay from 01.07.2022 to 31.05.2023 in paying the amounts towards the terminal benefits namely EPF Employee's Contribution, Gratuity and Encashment of leave within a time frame to be fixed by this Court.

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

3. The petitioner was employed as Driver by the respondent Corporation on 30.03.1992. He retired from service on 30.06.2022.

4. It is admitted that his terminal benefits were not settled immediately but only belatedly. The only question that arises for



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consideration is as regards the rate of interest payable on the belated settlement.

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 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.

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The General Manager,  
The Management of  
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