



W.P.(MD).No.21448 of 2023

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 04.09.2023

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THE HONOURABLE MRS.JUSTICE L.VICTORIA GOWRI

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A.Ravindran

... Petitioner

Vs.

1.The Managing Director,
Tamil Nadu State Transport
Corporation (Tirunelveli) Ltd.,
23/2, Kattaboman Nagar,
Tirunelveli-627 011.

2.The Administrator,
Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation
Employees Pension Trust,
Thiruvalluvar Illam,
Pallavan Salai,
Chennai-600 002.

... Respondents

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 at the rate of 6% per annum, to the petitioner for the belated payment of Gratuity, Provident Fund, Leave Salary and Pension Commutation from the date of retirement to the date of actual payment within a time frame as may be fixed by this Court.



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For Petitioner : Mr.C.Thangamani
For R1 : Mr.D.Jebaraj
Standing Counsel
For R2 : Mr.S.C.Herold Singh
Standing Counsel

ORDER

The present writ petition has been filed seeking direction to the respondent to pay interest at the rate of 6% per annum, to the petitioner for the belated payment of Gratuity, Provident Fund, Leave Salary and Pension Commutation from the date of retirement to the date of actual payment within a time frame as may be fixed by this Court.

2. Heard the learned counsel on either side.

3. The petitioner was employed as Junior Tradesman by the respondent corporation on 13.11.1985. He retired from service on 31.07.2022.

4. It is admitted that his 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 is disposed of by directing the respondent management 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. No costs.

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NCC : Yes / No
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