

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

**DATED : 11.09.2023**

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

**W.P.(MD).No.21802 of 2023**

K.Radhakrishnan

... Petitioner

Vs.

1.The Managing Director,  
The Tamil Nadu State Transport  
Corporation (Kumbakonam) Ltd.,  
Kumbakonam.

2.The General Manager,  
The Tamil Nadu State Transport  
Corporation (Kumbakonam) Ltd.,  
Pudukottai Region,  
Pudukottai.

... 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 interest at the rate of 6% per annum for the belated payment of terminal benefits of the petitioner's wife Late D.Jeyalakshmi including Provident Fund, Gratuity and Leave Salary from the date of her death to till the date on which the said benefits were settled to him.

For Petitioner : Mr.A.Rahul

For Respondents : Mr.K.Jegadeesh Balan  
Standing Counsel

**ORDER**

The present writ petition has been filed seeking direction to the respondents to settle interest at the rate of 6% per annum for the belated payment of terminal benefits of the petitioner's wife Late D.Jeyalakshmi including Provident Fund, Gratuity and Leave Salary from the date of her death to till the date on which the said benefits were settled to him.

2. Heard the learned counsel on either side.

3. The petitioner's wife was employed as Superintendent in the respondent corporation on 17.05.1982. While in service, she died on 06.02.2021.

4. It is admitted that her 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.

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 the terminal benefits of the deceased wife of the petitioner. 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  
Index : Yes / No  
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**L.VICTORIA GOWRI, J.**

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