



W.P.(MD).No.22410 of 2023

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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 14.09.2023

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THE HONOURABLE MRS.JUSTICE L.VICTORIA GOWRI

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R.Rajalakshmi

... Petitioner

Vs.

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

... 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 settle interest at the rate of 6% per annum, for the belated payment of terminal benefits of the petitioner's husband Late P.Rajendran's including Gratuity and Leave Salary from the date of his death to till the date on which the said benefits were settled to her.

For Petitioner : Mr.A.Rahul

For Respondent : Mr.K.Ramaiah
Standing Counsel



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ORDER

The present writ petition has been filed seeking direction to the respondent to settle interest at the rate of 6% per annum, for the belated payment of terminal benefits of the petitioner's husband Late P.Rajendran's including Gratuity and Leave Salary from the date of his death to till the date on which the said benefits were settled to her.

2. Heard the learned counsel on either side.

3. The petitioner's husband was employed as Driver by the respondent corporation. While in service, he died on 29.03.2022.

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.

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).***



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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 deceased husband of the 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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