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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 20.09.2023

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THE HONOURABLE MRS.JUSTICE L.VICTORIA GOWRI

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R.Babu

... Petitioner

Vs.

1.The Managing Director,
State Express Transport
Corporation (TN) Ltd.,
Corporate Office, No.2, Pallavan Salai,
Chennai-600 002.

2.The Finance Advisor & Chief
Accounts Officer,
State Express Transport
Corporation (TN) Ltd.,
Corporate Office, No.2, Pallavan Salai,
Chennai-600 002.

3.The Administrator,
TNSTC Employees Pension Fund Trust,
SETC (TN) Ltd, No.2, 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 respondents to settle interest at the rate of 6% as per court direction for belated payment of terminal benefits amount of Gratuity, Provident Fund, Commutation and Leave



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Salary for a period of more than 13 months from 01.05.2020 to 31.05.2021 to the petitioner.

For Petitioner : Mr.K.Gokul
For R1 & R2 : Mr.K.Senthil Kumaran
Standing Counsel
For R3 : Mr.S.C.Herold Singh
Standing Counsel

ORDER

The present writ petition has been filed seeking direction to the respondents to settle interest at the rate of 6% as per court direction for belated payment of terminal benefits amount of Gratuity, Provident Fund, Commutation and Leave Salary for a period of more than 13 months from 01.05.2020 to 31.05.2021 to the petitioner.

2. Heard the learned counsel on either side.

3. The petitioner was employed as Driver by the respondent corporation.
He retired from service on 30.04.2020.



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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).***

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
Index : Yes / No
Internet : Yes/ No

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