



W.P.(MD).No.26774 of 2023

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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DATED : 08.11.2023

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE R.VIJAYAKUMAR

W.P(MD)No.26774 of 2023

P.Muraleedaran

... Petitioner

Vs.

The Management of Tamil Nadu State Transport
Corporation (Tirunelveli) Limited,
Nagercoil Region,
Represented by its General Manager,
Nagercoil.

...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 01.08.2019 to 24.01.2021, in paying the amounts paid towards his terminal benefits, namely, EPF Employees's Contribution, Gratuity, Encashment of Leaves/ already surrendered earned leaves within a time frame as may be fixed by this Court and without affecting his right to claim balance amounts towards those benefits.

For Petitioner	: Mr.S.Arunachalam
For Respondent	: Mr.D.Jebaraj Standing Counsel



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ORDER

The present Writ Petition has been filed by a “Driving Instructor” seeking a mandamus directing the respondent to pay the interest at the rate of 6% per annum due to the belated payment of terminal benefits. The petitioner had attained superannuation on 31.07.2019 and retirement benefits were disbursed only on 24.01.2021. The petitioner has sent a representation to the respondent on 20.08.2023, seeking interest for the said belated payment of terminal benefits.

2. Heard the learned counsel appearing for the petitioner and the learned Standing Counsel appearing for the respondent.

3. Considering the above said facts, the respondent is directed to settle the interest for the belated disbursement of the terminal benefits at the rate of 6% p.a., from the date of the petitioner's retirement till the date of realization within a period of twelve weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.



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4. With the above said observations, this Writ Petition stands allowed.

There shall be no order as to costs.

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To

The General Manager,
The Tamil Nadu State Transport
Corporation (Tirunelveli) Limited,
Nagercoil Region, Nagercoil.



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