

04.04.2024.
Court No. 13
Item no. 35.
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W.P.A. No. 4026 of 2024

Ashok Kumar Chatterjee
Versus
The State of West Bengal & Ors.

Mr. Goutam Kumar Maity
..for the petitioner.

Mr. Manas Kumar Sadhu
...for the State

1. Affidavit of service filed by the learned Advocate for the petitioner in Court today be kept on record.
2. The learned Advocate for the petitioner submits that the father of the petitioner was an Assistant Teacher of a primary school and died-in-harness on 21.06.1988 and his mother died on 06.01.2015. Pension Payment Order was issued on 09.11.2024 and the arrear pension of the petitioner was released on 21.12.2024.
3. Although the husband of the petitioner was entitled to payment of pensionary benefit from the date of death of his mother, the same was not paid. By representing this writ petition, the petitioner prays for an order on the

respondents to award interest on delayed payment of arrear pension.

4. I have heard the learned Advocate for the petitioner and have also considered the orders passed by different Hon'ble Judges on the writ petitions involving similar issues.
5. In view thereof, the writ petition stands disposed of with a direction upon the respondents and particularly the concerned Treasury Officer to pay the petitioner interest on arrear pension @ 9% per annum from the date of death of his mother till the date of actual payment within 16 weeks from the date of service of an authenticated copy of this order failing which, additional interest @ 2% per annum shall be payable to the petitioner.
6. There will be no order as to costs.
7. Urgent Photostat certified copy of this order, if applied for, be given to the parties, on priority basis.

(Rajasekhar Mantha, J.)