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W.P.A. 4238 of 2023

**Md. Amir Hossain
Vs.
The State of West Bengal & Ors.**

Mr. Gaus ul Alam
Ms. Sanchayita De

...for the petitioner

Affidavit of service filed on behalf of the petitioner is taken on record.

In spite of service of notice State-respondents are not represented.

Ms. Susmita Chatterjee, learned advocate is present in Court who usually represents State-respondents.

Ms. Chatterjee is requested to represent the State-respondents in this matter and her engagement be regularized by the office of the learned Government Pleader.

Petitioner is a retired assistant teacher, who superannuated on 31st January, 2016. After superannuation of the petitioner, 1st Pension Payment Order was issued on 21st January, 2016 and as per the 1st Pension Payment Order disbursement of retiral dues was made in favour of the petitioner. Subsequently, due

to revision of pay as per ROPA 2019 revised Pension Payment Order was issued on 9th March, 2022. Petitioner claims interest on revised gratuity as per revised Pension Payment Order.

Accordingly, the Director of Pension, Provident Fund and Group Insurance, West Bengal and the concerned Treasury Officer are directed to pay interest at the rate of **8%** per annum to the petitioner on revised gratuity as per revised Pension Payment Order from 14th February, 2020 till the date of actual disbursement of revised gratuity in favour of the petitioner, within a period of 8 (eight) weeks from the date of communication of this order.

Since no affidavit is called for, the allegations contained in the writ petition are deemed not to have been admitted.

With the above observation, the writ petition stands disposed of.

There shall be no order as to costs.

Urgent photostat certified copy of the order, if applied for, be given to the parties, upon usual undertakings.

(Saugata Bhattacharyya, J.)