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W.P.A. 9213 of 2021

Subhendu Kumar Basu
-Vs-
The State of West Bengal & Ors.

Mr. Amit Kumar Bayen
... .. for the petitioner

The affidavit-of-service filed by the learned Advocate for the petitioner in Court today be kept with the record.

The learned Advocate for the petitioner submits that the father of the petitioner was a teacher of a school, who retired from service on 01.01.1999 and died on 14.10.2003 and Mother died on 05.02.2007. Pension Payment Order was issued in favour of the petitioner on 04.08.2017 and Arrear Pension of the petitioner was released on 05.04.2018.

Although the petitioner was entitled to payment of pensionary benefit from the date of mother died i.e. 05.02.2007, the same was not paid. By presenting this writ petition, the petitioner prays for an order on the respondents to award interest on delayed payment of arrear pension.

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.

In view thereof, this writ petition stands disposed of with a direction upon the respondents and particularly the concerned Treasury Officer to pay interest to the petitioner on gratuity and arrear pension @ 9% per annum from the next date of the petitioner's mother died i.e. 05.02.2007 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.

There will be no order as to costs.

Urgent Photostat certified copy of this order, if applied for, be given to the parties, on priority basis.

(Rajasekhar Mantha, J.)