

24.09.2024
Sl. No. 158
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IN THE HIGH COURT AT CALCUTTA
CONSTITUTIONAL WRIT JURISDICTION
APPELLATE SIDE

WPA 22441 of 2024

Joy Kant Chowdhury @
Jaykanta Chowdhury
-Vs.-
The State of West Bengal & Ors.

Mr. Srinjay Sengupta,
Mr. Saurav Roy,
Mr. Narattam Acharyya,
Mr. Ankush Ghosh

....for the petitioners.

Ms. Sangeeta Roy,
Mr. Rakesh Singh

...for the State.

Ms. Deblina Chattaraj,
Ms. Priyanka Kundu

...for the respondent.

Affidavit-of-service filed in Court today be kept
with the record.

The petitioner retired from services of Calcutta
Tramways Company (1978) Ltd. (in short, CTC)
now known as West Bengal Transport Corporation
Ltd. (in short, WBTC) on 31.10.2023. The
petitioner was paid gratuity, leave salary and other
benefits to the tune of Rs. 14,34,243/- on
29.11.2023. This payment has been made in time
and as such attracts no interest. The petitioner
was paid provident fund amount to the tune of Rs.
27,27,811/- on 09.05.2024. The petitioner is

seeking interest on the delayed payments on account of provident fund.

Although the petitioner had received the amount of provident fund on 09.05.2024 and has filed the instant writ petition on 04.09.2024, the delay in approaching the Court for service related claim in the instant case is ignored and the WBTC is directed to pay interest on the amount of the provident fund to the tune of Rs.27,27,811/- from 01.11.2023 till 09.05.2024 at the rate of 6% per annum within a period of three months from the date of communication of a server copy of this order failing which the principal sum of Rs.27,27,811/- shall attract interest @ 8% per annum.

Nothing further remains to be adjudicated in this writ petition. The same is accordingly disposed of.

Since I have not called for any affidavits, the allegations contained in the writ petition are deemed to have not been admitted by the respondents.

All parties including the CSTC shall act on the basis of the server copy of this order without

insisting upon production of a certified copy thereof.

(Arindam Mukherjee, J.)