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(Suvendu)

W.P.A. 27650 of 2024

Subhra Ghosh

-vs-

The State of West Bengal & Ors.

Ms. Sreyasree Chowdhury

Mr. Anirban Chakraborty

....for the petitioner.

Mr. Ayan Dutta

....for the State.

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

Husband of the petitioner was a retired Assistant Teacher, who superannuated on 31st March, 2018. After superannuation, first Pension Payment Order was issued on 27th March, 2018 and as per first Pension Payment Order disbursement of retiral dues was made in favour of the retired teacher. On 14th May, 2021 husband of the petitioner died and thereafter revised Pension Payment Order was issued on 5th October, 2021 on consolidation of pension in terms of ROPA 2019 Rules. Petitioner claims interest on revised gratuity as per revised Pension Payment Order due to delayed payment.

State respondents are represented by learned advocate.

Accordingly, the Director of Pension Provident Fund and Group Insurance 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 the revised gratuity amount in favour of the retired teacher, within a period of 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.)

