

29.02.2024  
Court No.13  
Item No.113  
AP

**WPA 28105 of 2023**

**Vivekananda Halder  
Vs.  
The State of West Bengal and Ors.**

Mr. Tapan Dutta Gupta  
Mr. Parvej Anam

.... For the Petitioner.

Mr. Niladri Bhattacharjee  
Ms. Deblina Chattaraj

.... For the Respondent Corporation.

1. The petitioner prays for interest on delayed payment on the retiral benefits.

2. It is now well-settled that the retiral benefits are required to be paid immediately as the employee has no source of income after employment.

3. The petitioner superannuated on 31.12.2015. Retiral benefits were paid on two tranches. On 11.04.2016 Rs.34,977/- was paid and on 13.04.2016 Rs.27,23,206.22/- was paid.

4. The petitioner is, therefore, entitled to interest at the rate of 7% per annum for the period of 3 months 11 days on the total sum of Rs.34,977/- and for the period of 3 months 13 days on the total sum of Rs.27,23,206.22/-.

5. Let the interest be paid to the petitioner for the aforesaid period by 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2024. In default of payment as indicated hereinabove, the rate of interest shall stand increased to 11% per annum.

6. With the aforesaid directions, the writ petition is disposed of.

7. There shall be no order as to costs.

8. All parties shall act on the server copy of this order duly downloaded from the official website of this Court.

**(Rajasekhar Mantha, J.)**