



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 23.09.2024

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THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE N. ANAND VENKATESH

W.P.No.27291 of 2024

N.Chinnaraju

... Petitioner

Vs.

The Managing Director,
State Express Transport Corporation Ltd.,
No.2, Pallavan Salai,
Chennai – 600 002.

... Respondent

Prayer : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondent to consider petitioner's representation dated 22.07.2024 to pay the terminal benefits with 6 percentage interest from the date of retirement until realization.

For Petitioner : Mr.S.Gowsik Sundar

For Respondents : Mr.L.S.M.Hasan Fizal
Standing Counsel



ORDER

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This writ petition has been filed for the issue of writ of Mandamus directing the respondent to consider petitioner's representation dated 22.07.2024 to pay the terminal benefits with 6 percentage interest from the date of retirement until realization.

2.The case of the petitioner is that he was working as a Driver cum Conductor in the respondent Corporation from 21.09.2000. After completion of 23 years of service, he retired from service as “Senior Driver cum Conductor” on 30.04.2023.

3.The grievance of the petitioner is that there was a delay in settling the terminal benefits. In view of the same, the petitioner has sought for payment of interest towards the delay in settlement of the terminal benefits. The petitioner in this regard had made a representation to the respondent on 22.07.2024. Since the same did not evoke any response, the present writ petition has been filed before this Court.

4.Heard Mr.S.Gowsik Sundar, learned counsel for petitioner and Mr.L.S.M.Hasan Fizal, learned Standing Counsel appearing on behalf of the respondent.



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5. Taking into consideration the facts and circumstances of the case and the materials available on record, this writ petition is disposed of with a direction to the respondent Corporation to pay the eligible amount as payable to the petitioner along with interest at the rate of 6% per annum for the delay period in settling the said amount. This payment shall be made within a period of six weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. It is made clear that if the amount is not paid within the time frame fixed by this Court, it will fetch an interest at the rate of 12% per annum from the date on which the amount became due and payable till the date of actual realisation.

6. The petitioner is directed to submit a fresh representation to the respondent along with a copy of this order. No costs.

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