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Writ Petition No.28797 of 2024

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 01.10.2024

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE N.ANAND VENKATESH

Writ Petition No.28797 of 2024

G.Pichandi

S/o.S.Ganapathi

... Petitioner

Vs.

1. The Managing Director

Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation (Villupuram) Ltd.,

3/137, Salamedu,

Villupuram - 605 602.

2. The General Manager,

Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation (Villupuram) Ltd.,

Vellore Region,

Rangapuram, Vellore - 632 009.

... Respondents

Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking issuance of a Writ of Mandamus directing the respondents to pay interest to the petitioner at the rate of 8% per annum for the belated payment of his Earned Leave Salary and Gratuity within a time limit to be stipulated by this Court.

For Petitioner : Mr.P.Mohanraj

For Respondents : Mr.R.Venkatesa Perumal
Standing Counsel



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ORDER

This writ petition has been filed seeking issuance of a writ of mandamus directing the respondents to pay interest to the petitioner at the rate of 8% per annum for the belated payment of his Earned Leave Salary and Gratuity within a time limit to be stipulated by this Court.

2. Heard Mr.P.Mohanraj, learned counsel for petitioner and Mr.R.Venkatesa Perumal, learned Standing Counsel appearing for respondents.

3. The case of the petitioner is that he joined the services of the respondent transport corporation as Conductor on 21.02.1999 and he retired from service as Checking Inspector on 31.01.2020.

4. The grievance of the petitioner is that even though he retired from service as early as on 31.01.2020, the respondents have settled the terminal benefits only on 19.06.2021. In view of the same, the petitioner submitted a representation to the respondents on 21.08.2024 to pay interest at 8% p.a. for the belated payment. Since the same was not considered, the present writ petition has been filed.



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5. Taking into consideration the facts and circumstances of the case and the grievance expressed by the petitioner, there shall be a direction to the respondents to pay the eligible and admissible amount with interest at the rate of 6% p.a. for the belated payment to the petitioner within a period of six (6) 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 interest at the rate of 12% p.a. 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 respondents along with a copy of this order.

This Writ Petition is disposed of with the above direction. No costs.

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