



W.P.(MD).No.4053 of 2024

WEB COPY

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 22.02.2024

CORAM

THE HONOURABLE MRS.JUSTICE L.VICTORIA GOWRI

W.P.(MD).No.4053 of 2024

C.Dhanabalan

... Petitioner

Vs.

- 1.The Managing Director,
Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation (MDU) Ltd.,
Madurai Division, Bye-Pass Road,
Madurai-625 016.
- 2.The General Manager,
Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation (MDU) Ltd.,
Madurai Division, Bye-Pass Road,
Madurai-625 016.
- 3.The Administrator,
Tamil Nadu State Transport Employees' Pension Fund Trust,
Thiruvalluvar Illam,
Anna Salai,
Chennai-600 002.

... Respondents

Prayer : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to pay 6% interest amount of Rs.1,45,633/- for the belated payment of terminal benefits amount of Rs.26,52,589/- such as P.F., Gratuity, Leave Salary, and



W.P.(MD).No.4053 of 2024

Commutation, payable to the petitioner from the date of my retirement i.e. On 30.06.2022 to till the date of actual payment made to him i.e. 30.05.2023.

For Petitioner : Mr.A.K.Thangavelu
For R-1 & 2 : Mr.S.Raja,
Standing Counsel
For R-3 : Mr.S.C.Herold Singh,
Standing Counsel

ORDER

By consent of both parties, this Writ Petition is taken up for final disposal at the stage of admission itself.

2.The present writ petition has been filed seeking direction to the respondents to pay 6% interest amount of Rs.1,45,633/- for the belated payment of terminal benefits amount of Rs.26,52,589/- such as P.F., Gratuity, Leave Salary, and Commutation, payable to the petitioner from the date of my retirement i.e. on 30.06.2022 to till the date of actual payment made to him i.e. 30.05.2023.

3.The petitioner was appointed as Driver in the respondent corporation in the year 1993. After completing 25 years of service, he voluntarily retired from service on 30.06.2022.



W.P.(MD).No.4053 of 2024

WEB COPY

4. It is admitted that his terminal benefits were not settled immediately but only belatedly. The only question that arises for consideration is as regards the rate of interest payable on the belated settlement.

5.The issue raised in this writ petition was already decided by this Court vide order, dated 07.03.2023 in ***W.P(MD)No.4866 of 2023 (C.Murugan Vs. The Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation (Tirunelveli) Ltd., & Another).***

6.In view of the above, this Writ Petition is disposed of by directing the respondents management to pay interest at the rate of 6% per annum for belated settlement of terminal benefits of the petitioner. The said exercise shall be done within a period of twelve (12) weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. No costs.

22.02.2024

NCC : Yes / No
Index : Yes / No
Internet : Yes
Mrn



WEB COPY



W.P.(MD).No.4053 of 2024

L.VICTORIA GOWRI, J.

Mrn

To

- 1.The Managing Director,
Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation (MDU) Ltd.,
Madurai Division, Bye-Pass Road,
Madurai-625 016.
- 2.The General Manager,
Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation (MDU) Ltd.,
Madurai Division, Bye-Pass Road,
Madurai-625 016.
- 3.The Administrator,
Tamil Nadu State Transport Employees' Pension Fund Trust,
Thiruvalluvar Illam,
Anna Salai,
Chennai-600 002.

W.P.(MD).No.4053 of 2024

22.02.2024