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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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DATED : 20.12.2024

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE R.VIJAYAKUMAR

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P.Ramalingam

... Petitioner

Vs.

The Management of
Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation
(Kumbakonam) Limited,
Trichy Region,
Represented by its General Manager,
Trichy.

... Respondent

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondent to pay the petitioner interest at the rate of 18% per annum, for the period of delay from 01.01.2023 to 29.10.2024, in paying the amounts paid towards his terminal benefits namely EPF Employee's Contribution and Gratuity within a time frame as may be fixed by this Court and without affecting his right to claim balance amounts towards those benefits.

For Petitioner : Mr.S.Arunachalam

For Respondent : Mr.K.Ramaiah
Standing Counsel



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ORDER

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The present Writ Petition has been filed by a retired Driver of the respondent Transport Corporation, who had attained superannuation on 31.12.2022 seeking the payment of interest for the belated disbursement of terminal benefits.

2. According to the learned counsel appearing for the writ petitioner, though the petitioner has retired from service on 31.12.2022, the terminal benefits were released only on 30.10.2024. Hence, the petitioner has addressed a communication to the respondent on 07.11.2024, seeking payment of interest for the belated disbursement of terminal benefits. Since there is no response, the present writ petition has been filed.

3. Heard the learned counsel appearing for the petitioner and the learned Standing Counsel appearing for the respondent.

4. Considering the above said facts, the respondent herein is directed to pay the interest at the rate of 6% per annum for the belated disbursement of



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terminal benefits from the due date till the date of disbursement, within a period of twelve weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

5. With the above said observations, this Writ Petition stands disposed of. There shall be no order as to costs.

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To
The General Manager,
Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation
(Kumbakonam) Limited,
Trichy Region, Trichy.



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