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W.P.A. 606 of 2024

Sk. Taherul Islam

-vs-

The State of West Bengal & Ors.

Mr. Banshi Badan Maity

....for the petitioner.

Ms. Iti Dutta

....for the State.

In terms of previous order effort was made by the learned advocate for the petitioner to serve notice upon the learned advocate representing the State respondents and same was refused.

Ms. Iti Dutta, learned advocate is present in Court, who usually represents State respondents.

Ms. Dutta is requested to enter appearance on behalf of the State respondents.

The learned Government Pleader is requested to regularize engagement of Ms. Dutta on behalf of the State respondents.

The writ petitioner is a retired Assistant Teacher, who superannuated on 31st May, 2020. After superannuation of the writ petitioner, Pension Payment Order was issued vide memo dated 24th August, 2020 releasing retiral dues in favour of the petitioner. The writ petitioner claims interest on gratuity due to delayed payment.

Accordingly, the Director of Pension Provident Fund, and Group Insurance, West Bengal and the concerned Treasury Officer are directed to pay interest at the rate of **8%** per annum to the writ petitioner on gratuity from the date following the date of retirement of the petitioner till the date of release of gratuity, within a period of eight weeks from the date of communication of this order.

Since no affidavit is called for, the allegations contained in the writ petition are deemed not to have been admitted.

With the above observation, the writ petition stands disposed of.

There shall be no order as to costs.

Urgent photostat certified copy of the order, if applied for, be given to the parties, upon usual undertakings.

(Saugata Bhattacharyya, J.)