

W.P.A. 846 of 2025

**Somlal Saren
Vs.
The State of West Bengal & Ors.**

Mr. Anirban Chakraborty
...for the Petitioner

Mr. Swapan Kumar Chatterjee
...for the State

Affidavit-of-service filed on behalf of the
petitioner is taken on record.

The writ petitioner is a retired Assistant Teacher,
who superannuated on 31st January, 2024. After
superannuation of the writ petitioner, Pension Payment
Order was issued on 5th August, 2024 releasing retiral
dues in favour of the petitioner. The writ petitioner
claims interest on gratuity due to delayed payment.

State respondents are represented by learned
advocate.

Accordingly, the Director of Pension, Provident
Fund and Group Insurance 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 (8)
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.)