

W.P.A. 791 of 2025

Anjali Das
Vs.
The State of West Bengal & Ors.

Mrs. Debjani Sahu

...for the Petitioner

Mr. Subhendu Sen Gupta

...for the State

Learned advocate representing the petitioner submits that learned advocate representing the State respondents refused to accept service which was issued in terms of the order dated 17th January, 2025.

Mr. Subhendu Sen Gupta, learned advocate is present in Court who usually represents State respondents. Office of the learned Government Pleader is requested to regularize engagement of Mr. Subhendu Sen Gupta. Mr. Subhendu Sen Gupta is permitted to enter his appearance on behalf of the State respondents.

The writ petitioner is a retired Headmaster, who superannuated on 31st March, 2016. Due to superannuation of the writ petitioner, first Pension Payment Order was issued on 15th February, 2016 and as per the first Pension Payment Order disbursement of retiral dues was made in favour of the petitioner. Subsequently, due to revision of pay as per ROPA 2019 revised Pension Payment Order was issued on 7th August, 2021. The writ petitioner claims interest on revised gratuity as per revised Pension Payment Order due to delayed payment.

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 revised gratuity as per revised pension payment order from 14th February, 2020 till the date of actual disbursement of the revised gratuity amount in favour of the petitioner, 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.

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

(Saugata Bhattacharyya, J.)