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W.P.A. 887 of 2025

Mridula Som

-vs-

The State of West Bengal & Ors.

Ms. Arpita Saha

....for the petitioner.

Mr. Arabinda Das

....for the State.

Affidavit-of-service filed in Court is kept with the record.

Husband of the petitioner was Headmaster, who retired on superannuation on 31st July, 2016. Due to superannuation of the husband of the writ petitioner, first Pension Payment Order was issued on 6th June, 2016 and as per the first Pension Payment Order disbursement of retiral dues was made. Subsequently, due to revision of pay as per ROPA 2019 revised Pension Payment Order was issued on 26th December, 2021. Thereafter, husband of the petitioner died on 26th September, 2024. The writ petitioner claims interest on revised gratuity as per revised Pension Payment Order 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 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 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.)