

25.07.2025
(D/L-13)
Ct.-17
(Susanta
Samar)

IN THE HIGH COURT AT CALCUTTA
CONSTITUTIONAL WRIT JURISDICTION

W.P.A. 8402 of 2025

Sanat Bit
-Vs-
The State of West Bengal & Ors.

Mr. Krishna Pada Santra,
.... For the Petitioner.
Mr. Avishek Prasad,
.... For the State.

Affidavit-of-service filed on behalf of the
petitioner be kept with the record.

The petitioner was an approved librarian of
a library under the Department of Mass
Education Extension & Library Services, on
attaining the age of superannuation, he had
retired from his said service on October 31,
2020.

The Pension Payment Order of the
petitioner was issued on February 25, 2022, in
pursuance whereof, he had received the gratuity
and the arrear pension on March 15, 2022.

The petitioner is praying interest on the
arrear pension and gratuity for the delayed
payment.

Learned advocate for the State-respondents
does not oppose the prayer of the petitioner.

The law is now well-settled that for such delay in payment of pension and gratuity, the petitioner is entitled to interest.

The respondents, the concerned Treasury Officer in particular, therefore, are directed to pay interest @ 8% per annum on the arrear amount of pension and gratuity from the date of retirement of the petitioner till the date of such payment.

The payment as directed above shall be made within the period of eight weeks from the date of communication of this order.

W.P.A 8402 of 2025 stands disposed of with the above terms. There shall be no order as to costs.

Urgent photostat certified copy of this order, if applied for, be supplied to the parties subject to compliance with all requisite formalities.

(Biswajit Basu, J.)