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IN THE HIGH COURT AT CALCUTTA
CONSTITUTIONAL WRIT JURISDICTION

W.P.A. 9877 of 2025

Ratan Kumar Thakur
-Vs-
The State of West Bengal & Ors.

Ms. Arpita Saha,
.... For the Petitioner.

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

In spite of service, none appears on behalf
of the State-respondents.

The petitioner was a 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 January 31, 2021.

The Pension Payment Order of the
petitioner was issued on November 29, 2021 but
he had received the gratuity and the arrear
pension on January 13, 2022.

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

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 are, therefore, 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 9877 of 2025 stands disposed of with the above directions. 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.)