

06.03.2025
Item No.95
Court No.19
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*In The High Court At Calcutta
Constitutional Writ Jurisdiction*
W.P.A. 22003 of 2024

Aparna Singh
-Vs-
The State of West Bengal & Ors.

Mr. Debasis Dey
.....for the petitioner.
Mr. Rezaul Hossain ... for the State.

Affidavit-of-service filed by the learned advocate
for the petitioner be kept with the record.

The husband of the petitioner was an approved
Assistant Teacher of a primary school who died-in-
harness on February 22, 2018.

The Pension Payment Order of the employee
concerned was issued on January 06, 2021 in
pursuance whereof the petitioner received the
gratuity and arrear Pension on March 18, 2021.

The petitioner is praying that a writ of
mandamus be issued commanding the respondents
to pay interest on the said amount of gratuity and
arrear pension for the delayed payment.

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

It is now well settled that the petitioner is
entitled to the interest, as prayed for.

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

the employee concerned till the date of such payment.

The payment as aforesaid shall be made within the period of eight weeks from the date of communication of this order, in default the said arrear amount shall fetch an additional interest of 2% per annum.

W.P.A. 22003 of 2024 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.)