

W.P.A. 28385 of 2024

**Matiur Rahaman
Vs.
The State of West Bengal & Ors.**

Mr. Krishna Pada Santra

...for the Petitioner

Affidavit-of-service filed on behalf of the petitioner is taken on record. In spite of service of notice, State respondents are not represented today. Matter was taken up on consideration on 9th December, 2024 when accommodation was prayed for on behalf of the learned advocate representing the State respondents and same was granted thereby matter was fixed for further consideration today, 7th January, 2025.

The writ petitioner is a retired Headmaster, who superannuated on 30th September, 2018. After superannuation of the writ petitioner, first Pension Payment Order was issued on 8th February, 2019 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 17th February, 2022. 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 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.)