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21.5.2025
Court No.2
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CALCUTTA HIGH COURT
IN THE CIRCUIT BENCH AT JALPAIGURI
CONSTITUTIONAL WRIT JURISDICTION

WPA 264 of 2025

Anmol Rai
Vs.
The State of West Bengal & Ors.

Mr. Anirban Chakraborty

...for the Petitioner.

Mr. Momenur Rahman
Mr. Sandip Guha Roy

...for the State.

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

The petitioner was a Librarian of a Library and had retired from his said service on superannuation on August 31, 2023.

The Pension Payment Order of the petitioner was issued on March 21, 2024 in pursuance whereof he received the gratuity and arrear pension on April 10, 2024.

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-respondent 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 arrear pension from the

date of retirement of the petitioner 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.

WPA 264 of 2025 stands disposed of with the above directions without any 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.)