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21.05.2025  
Court No.2  
(Susanta)

CALCUTTA HIGH COURT  
IN THE CIRCUIT BENCH AT JALPAIGURI  
CONSTITUTIONAL WRIT JURISDICTION

W.P.A. 1144 of 2025

Ashutosh Das

-Vs-

The State of West Bengal & Ors.

Mr. Anirban Chakraborty,

.... For the Petitioner.

Mr. Momenur Rahaman,

Mr. Sandip Guha Roy,

.... For the State.

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

The petitioner was an approved Executive  
Assistant of a Gram Panchayat and had retired  
from his said service on superannuation on  
September 30, 2023.

The Pension Payment Order of the petitioner  
was issued on January 21, 2025 in pursuance  
whereof he received the gratuity and the arrear  
pension on March 12, 2025.

In the instant writ petition the prayer of the  
petitioner is a writ of mandamus be issued  
commanding the respondents to pay interest on  
the said amount of arrear pension and gratuity  
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 arrear amount of pension and gratuity 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.

W.P.A 1144 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.)**