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Court. No. 2
Aritra*

**In the High Court at Calcutta
Circuit Bench at Jalpaiguri
Appellate Side**

WPA 1463 of 2025

**Mita Das
Vs.
The State of West Bengal & Ors.**

Mr. Debajit Kundu

....for the petitioner

Ms. Bedashruti Bose

....for the State

Affidavit of service filed in Court today is taken on record.

The husband of the writ petitioner was an Assistant Teacher and retired from service on superannuation on 15.06.2024.

The pension payment order was issued on 10.03.2025 in pursuance whereof she received the gratuity and arrear pension on 02.04.2025.

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 gratuity and arrear family pension for 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.

In view thereof, this writ petition is disposed of by directing the concerned Treasury Officer, Jalpaiguri-II being the respondent no. 4 to pay interest to the petitioner @ 8% per annum on the

gratuity and arrear family pension from the date following the date of death of the petitioner's husband 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.

Since no affidavits have been called for, the allegations contained in the writ petition shall be deemed not have been admitted by the respondents.

There shall be no order as to costs.

All parties shall act on the server copy of this order duly downloaded from the official website of this Court.

(Hiranmay Bhattacharyya, J.)