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03/11/2025
Court. No. 2
Aritra*

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

WPA 1976 of 2025

**Arun Lama
Vs.
The State of West Bengal & Ors.**

Mr. Debajit Kundu

....for the petitioner

Mr. Pretom Das
Mr. Bikash Singha

....for the State

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

The writ petitioner was a librarian and retired from service on superannuation on 31.12.2022.

The pension payment order was issued on 17.04.2025 in pursuance whereof she received the gratuity and arrear pension on 02.05.2025.

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, Darjeeling being the respondent no. 4 to pay interest to the petitioner @ 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.

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

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

(Hiranmay Bhattacharyya, J.)