

ORDER SHEET

IN THE HIGH COURT AT CALCUTTA
Constitutional Writ Jurisdiction
ORIGINAL SIDE

WPO/805/2025

BASU SEN

VS

THE STATE OF WEST BENGAL AND ORS

BEFORE:

The Hon'ble JUSTICE SAUGATA BHATTACHARYYA

Date: 26th November, 2025.

Appearance:-

Mr. Debducta Basu, Adv.
...for the Petitioner.

Mr. Naba Kumar Das, Adv.
Ms. Debdooti Dutta, Adv.
...for the State.

Mr. Niladri Bhattacharjee, Adv.
Ms. Deblina Chattaraj, Adv.
Ms. Poulami Chattopadhyay, Adv.
...for West Bengal Transport Corporation.

1. The Court:-The matter is heard in presence of the learned advocates representing the petitioner, West Bengal Transport Corporation Limited (hereinafter referred to as 'Corporation') and the State respondents.
2. It is submitted by the learned advocate representing the petitioner that the petitioner retired on superannuation being employee of the Corporation on 31st August, 2024. It is submitted by the learned advocate representing the petitioner that though other retiral dues were paid to the petitioner within time but Provident Fund dues were released in favour of the petitioner on 26th May, 2025. The petitioner prays for interest due to delay caused in releasing the Provident Fund.

3. Having heard the learned advocates representing the parties, it appears that it is indisputable the petitioner received Provident Fund dues belatedly which confers right upon the petitioner to get interest on Provident Fund amount. Accordingly, the concerned respondent of the Corporation and the State respondents are directed to pay interest at the rate of 6% per annum on Provident Fund dues due to delay caused in releasing the same in favour of the petitioner from the date following the date of retirement of the petitioner till the date of release of Provident Fund dues within a period of four months from the date of communication of this order.
4. In default of paying interest to the petitioner in terms of the aforesaid direction, the concerned respondent authority shall be liable to pay interest at the rate of 8% on Provident Fund dues.
5. The writ petition stands disposed of.
6. Urgent photostat certified copy of this order, if applied for, be supplied to the parties upon compliance of necessary formalities.

(SAUGATA BHATTACHARYYA, J.)