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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 08.04.2025

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE C.V.KARTHIKEYAN

W.P.NO.12827 OF 2025

M.Raj ... Petitioner

VS.

The State Express Transport Corporation
(Tamil Nadu) Ltd.,
Rep. By its Managing Director
Pallavan Salai, Chennai – 600 002. ... Respondent

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying for a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondent to settle interest at the rate of 6% per annum for the belated payment of petitioner's terminal benefits including Provident Fund, Gratuity and Terminal Leave Salary from the date of his retirement i.e., from 30.06.2022 to 23.05.2023, the date on which the said benefits were settled to him.

For Petitioner : Mr.V.Chandrasekaran

For Respondent : Mr.L.S.M.Hasan Fizal

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Standing Counsel

O R D E R

This Writ Petition has been filed in the nature of a Mandamus, seeking a direction against the respondent to settle interest at the rate of 6% per annum for the belated payment of petitioner's terminal benefits including Provident Fund, Gratuity and Terminal Leave Salary from the date of his retirement i.e., from 30.06.2022 to 23.05.2023, the date on which the said benefits were settled to him.

2.In the affidavit filed in support of the writ petition, it is stated that the petitioner joined the respondent Transport Corporation on 08.04.1998 as Driver cum Conductor and retired from service upon attaining the age of superannuation on 30.06.2022. The petitioner was serving as Selection Grade Driver cum Conductor. According to the petitioner, the terminal benefits were disbursed with a delay and he now seeks interest for the delayed period.

3.A direction is therefore issued to the respondents to

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examine the petitioner's Service Register and verify the date when the amount was disbursed. If it is found that the amount was disbursed with delay, interest at the rate of 6% per annum shall be granted from the date of retirement until the actual date of disbursement. The entire exercise shall be completed within a period of six months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

4.With the above direction, this Writ Petition stands disposed of. No costs.

08.04.2025

Index : Yes / No
Neutral Citation : Yes / No
Speaking Order : Yes / No
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To

The Managing Director
M/s.State Express Transport Corporation (Tamil Nadu) Ltd.,
No.2, Pallavan Salai,
Chennai – 600 002.

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