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W.P.NO.12876 OF 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 08.04.2025

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

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R.Natarajan

... Petitioner

VS.

The Management of
Tamilnadu State Transport Corporation
(Kovai) Ltd.,
Rep. By its Managing Director
Coimbatore.

... Respondent

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying for a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondent to pay the petitioner interest at the rate of 18% per annum, for the period of delay from 01.06.2023 to 09.03.2025 in paying the amounts paid towards his terminal benefits namely EPF Employee's Contribution, Gratuity and Encashment of Leaves / Already surrendered Earned Leaves within a time frame as may be fixed by this Court and without affecting his right to claim balance amounts towards those benefits.

For Petitioner	:	Mr.V.Ajoy Khose
For Respondent	:	Mr.C.Gowthamaraj Standing Counsel



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ORDER

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This Writ Petition has been filed in the nature of a Mandamus, seeking a direction against the respondent to pay the petitioner interest at the rate of 18% per annum, for the period of delay from 01.06.2023 to 09.03.2025, in paying the amounts paid towards his terminal benefits namely EPF Employee's Contribution, Gratuity and Encashment of Leaves / already surrendered Earned Leaves.

2.In the affidavit filed in support of the writ petition, it is stated that the petitioner joined the respondent Transport Corporation on 13.09.1988 as Driver and retired from service upon attaining the age of superannuation on 31.05.2023. The petitioner was serving as Special Grade Driver. 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 respondent to 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



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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.

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

The Managing Director
Tamilnadu State Transport Corporation
(Kovai) Ltd.,
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