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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 03.06.2025

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THE HONOURABLE Mr.JUSTICE **C.KUMARAPPAN**

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S.Soundarapandian

... Petitioner

Vs.

1.The Managing Director,
Metropolitan Transport
Corporation (Chennai) Ltd,
Pallavan Illam, Mount Road,
Pallavan Salai, Chennai – 600 002.

2.Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation,
Employees Pension Fund Trust,
Rep by its Administrator,
Thiruvalluvar Illam, Pallavan Salai,
Chennai – 600 002.

... Respondents

Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying to issue a Writ of Mandamus, to direct the respondents to settle the interest for the belated payment of retirement benefits such as gratuity, commutation of pension, provident fund and other retirement benefits payable to the petitioner with 12% rate of interest.



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For Petitioner : Mr.L.Poovendra Perumal

For Respondents : Mr.R.Balaji
Standing Counsel
for R1

Mr.C.S.K.Sathish
Standing Counsel
for R2

ORDER

The instant writ petition has been filed with a prayer for issuing a Mandamus, to direct the respondents to settle the interest for the belated payment of retirement benefits such as gratuity, commutation of pension, provident fund and other retirement benefits payable to the petitioner with 12% rate of interest.

2. The case of the petitioner is that he was retired from service on 31.05.2023. However, the terminal benefits have been settled to him only on 10.03.2025 and no interest has been paid for the delayed period. In view of the same, the petitioner submitted representation dated 18.03.2025 to the 1st respondent to pay interest for the delayed period. Since the same was not considered, the present writ petition has been filed.



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3. The learned Standing Counsel for the respondents would fairly admits that in view of the similar orders passed by this Court in W.P.Nos. 40031, 33742 and 35806 of 2024, they are willing to pay the interest at the rate of 6% per annum for the belated payment of the eligible and admissible amount.

4. Heard the learned counsel for both sides and perused the materials available on record.

5. In view of the above submission of the learned Standing Counsel, this Court deems it appropriate to direct the 1st respondent to pay interest at the rate of 6% per annum for the belated payment of terminal benefits, from the date of retirement till the date of actual disbursal of the terminal benefits of the petitioner along with eligible and admissible amount, within a period of six weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.



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6. In the result, this Writ Petition is disposed of with the above observations. No costs.

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Speaking order /Non Speaking Order
Neutral Citation : Yes/No

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