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W.P.No.18605 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 06.06.2025

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THE HONOURABLE Mr.JUSTICE C.KUMARAPPAN

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- 1.S.Thanigachalam
- 2.K.G.Subramaniam
- 3.T.Annadurai
- 4.L.Inderakumar
- 5.R.Purushothaman
- 6.P.Gnanaprakasam
- 7.M.Bathavatchalam
- 8.K.Balasubramaniam

... Petitioners

Vs.

- 1.The Managing Director,
Tamil Nadu State Transport
Corporation (Villupuram) Ltd,
No.3/137, Salamedu, Vazatha reddy P.O,
Villupuram – 605 602.
- 2.The General Manager,
Tamil Nadu State Transport
Corporatioin (Villupuram) Ltd,
Kanchipuram Region,
Chennai Bangalore national Highway,
Karapettai, Kanchipuram – 631 552.



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3. The Administrator,
Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation,
Employees Pension Fund Trust,
No.2, 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 pay 10% interest for the belated payment of terminal benefits such as Provident Fund, Gratuity, Leave Salary and commutation of pension amount to the petitioners.

For Petitioners : Mr.S.T.Varadarajalu

For Respondents : M/s.S.Pavithra
Standing Counsel
for R1 and R2

Mr.C.S.K.Sathish
for R3

ORDER

The instant writ petition has been filed with a prayer for issuing a Mandamus, to direct the respondents to pay 10% interest for the belated payment of terminal benefits such as Provident Fund, Gratuity, Leave Salary and commutation of pension amount to the petitioners.



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2. The case of the petitioners is that they were appointed in the 1st respondent Transport Corporation on various dates and after completion of unblemished service, all the petitioners were retired on 31.03.2023, 30.04.2023, 30.04.2023, 30.04.2023, 31.03.2023, 30.04.2023, 30.04.2023 and 31.01.2023 respectively. However, the terminal benefits have been settled to petitioners only on 01.11.2024, 12.02.2025, 12.02.2025, 12.02.2025, 01.11.2024, 12.02.2025, 12.02.2025 and 30.01.2024 respectively and no interest has been paid for the delayed period. In view of the same, the petitioners submitted representations dated 26.12.2024, 20.02.2025, 22.02.2025, 24.02.2025, 25.02.2025 and 27.02.2025 respectively to the respondents to pay interest for the delayed period. Since the same were not considered, the present Writ Petition has been filed.

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.



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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 respondents to pay the eligible and admissible amount with 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, within a period of six weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

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

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