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W.P.No.25478 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 14.07.2025
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THE HONOURABLE Mr.JUSTICE C.KUMARAPPAN

W.P.Nos.25478 and 25481 of 2025
and WMP Nos.28634 & 28640 of 2025

1.M.Subramanian,
2. M. Mahudeswaran
3.M. Subramanian
4.V. Maruswamy
5.Vijayan
6.Murugesan

... Petitioners
(In W.P. No.25478 of 2025)

1.P. Eswaran
2.B. Boopathi
3.P. Rajendiran
4.S. Habipkhan
5.R. Kannan
6.S. Rajendiran

... Petitioners
(In W.P. No.25481 of 2025)

Vs.

1. The Managing Director,
The Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation Ltd.,
No.37, Mettupalayam Road,
Coimbatore - 43.

2.The General Manager,
Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation Ltd.,
Erode Region, Chennimalai Road, Erode-638 001.



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3.The Administrator

Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation EPF Trust,
Thriuvalluvar House, Anna Salai, Chennai-2.

... Respondents
(In both writ petitions)

Writ Petitions filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to pay interest for the belated payment of Provident Fund, Gratuity, Encashment of Earned Leave, Surrender Leave, Commuted Value of Pension @12 % per annum, within a specified time as may be fixed by this Honourable Court and pass such orders accordingly.

For Petitioner : Mr.N. Palani Kumar
For Respondents : Mr.M. Muralivinodh for R1 and R2
: Mr. CSK Satish for R3

(In both Writ Petitions)

ORDER

The instant writ petitions have been filed with a prayer for issuing a Mandamus to direct the respondents to pay interest @12% p.a for the belated payments of Provident fund, Gratuity, and encashment of Earned Leave etc.

2.The learned counsel for the petitioners would submit that the petitioners had retired on superannuation on various dates and they have been settled of the Terminal benefits on various dates as per the details given below:

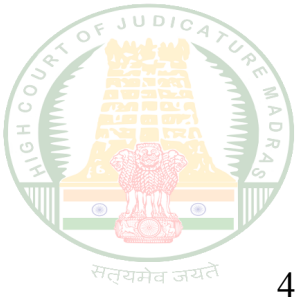


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S.No.	Name of the petitioners	Date of Retirement	Date of settlement
1	M.Subramanian,	30.04.2023	12.02.2025
2	M. Mahudeswaran	31.05.2023	10.03.2025
3	M. Subramanian	30.06.2023	16.04.2025
4	V. Maruswamy	30.06.2023	16.04.2025
5	R.Vijayan	30.06.2023	16.04.2025
6	A.Murugesan	30.06.2023	16.04.2025
7	P. Eswaran	31.08.2022	22.05.2023
8	B. Boopathi	30.06.2023	16.04.2025
9	P. Rajendiran	31.01.2020	02.06.2021
10	S. Habipkhan	30.06.2020	02.06.2021
11	R. Kannan	31.03.2019	25.09.2019
12	S. Rajendiran	30.06.2018	19.09.2019

However, their retirement benefit has been settled belatedly without any interest. In this connection, the petitioners have sent representations on various dates to the respondents seeking interest for the belated payment of the terminal benefits such as gratuity, Provident fund and Earned Leave etc. However, there was no response for the same.

3. At this juncture, the learned Standing Counsel appearing for the respondents would submit that they would pay interest @ 6% pa as ordered in the similar writ petition.



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

5. In such view of the submission made by the learned Standing Counsel, this Court deems it appropriate to direct the respondents to pay interest @ 6% p.a. for the belated payment of the terminal benefits such as gratuity, Provident fund and Earned Leave etc. within a period of eight weeks from the date of receipt of copy of this order.

6. In the result, Both the Writ Petitions are disposed of with the above directions. Consequently connected miscellaneous petitions are closed. No costs.

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