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W.P.No.46342 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 27.11.2025

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE **G.K.ILANTHIRAIYAN**

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1.S.Manivasakan
2.M.Balakrishnan
3.S.Nagajothi,
4.S.Pannerselvam,
5.P.Muthusamy
6.R.Ayyasamy,
7.S.Manivannan,
8.M.Pechiammal,
9.S.Sivasamy,
10.K.Nisha,
11.A.Sahayaraj

...Petitioners

-Vs-

1.The Government of Tamilnadu
Rep. by its Additional Chief Secretary and Chairman,
State Transport Undertakings,
Transport Department,
Secretariat St.George Fort
Chennai 09

2.Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation Coimbatore Limited,
Rep. By Its Managing Director,
No. 37 Mettupalayam Road,
Coimbatore 641 043

3.The Administrator
Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation Coimbatore Limited
Employees Pension Fund Trust,
No 2 Thiruvalluvar Illam SETC Complex,
Pallavan Salai Chennai 02

... Respondents



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Prayer : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of Constitution of India praying for the issuance of a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to pay the interest accrued upon the belated payment of terminal benefits to the 11 petitioners at the rate of 18 % per annum from the date of their respective superannuation till the actual date of payment for which the petitioners are right fully entitled

For Petitioners : Mr.C.Vigneswaran
For R1 : Mr.R.U.Dinesh Rajkumar
Additional Government Pleader
For R2 : Mr.C.Gouthamraj,
Standing Counsel

ORDER

This Writ Petition has been filed for direction directing the respondents to pay appropriate interest to the petitioners for the delayed sanction and disbursement of retirement benefits.

2. Heard the learned counsel appearing on either side and perused the materials available on record.

3. In identical issues, this Court has passed various orders, justifying the payment of interest to the aggrieved pensioners and in the order dated 13.12.2019 in W.P.(MD) No.26481 of 2019, the following order came to be passed :-



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“5. I am not in agreement with the said representation made. There was already a duty cast on the respondent Corporation to pay the terminal benefits on the date of retirement itself and the very fact that the belated disbursement of retirement benefit, had already put the retired employee to serious prejudice, entertaining the present request for disbursement of the interest on the belated payment in installments, could cause further prejudice to the retired employee.

6. In the light of the above observations, there shall be a direction to the respondent / Corporation to pay the penal interest at the rate of 6% per annum on the belated payment of the retirement benefits for the period from the date of the retirement, till the date of the actual disbursement, as expeditiously as possible and in any event, not before the expiry of three months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

4. This Court is of the view that the respondents could be directed to pay the interest on the belated payment, at the rate of 6% per annum, as ordered in the above writ petition.

5. In the light of the above findings, there shall be a direction to the respondents herein to pay the interest on the belated payment of the terminal benefits to the petitioners at the rate of 6% per annum, commencing



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from the date of the retirement, till the date of actual disbursement, within a period of eight weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

6. With the above direction, this Writ Petition is disposed of.

No costs.

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Speaking/Non Speaking order

Neutral Citation : Yes/No

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