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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 10.01.2025

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE R.VIJAYAKUMAR

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S.Kurundhachalam

... Petitioner

Vs.

1. The Management of
Tamilnadu State Transport Corporation
(Madurai) Limited,
Madurai Region,
Represented By its Managing Director,
Madurai.

2. The Administrator,
Tamil Nadu State Transport Employees'
Pension Fund Trust,
Thiruvalluvar Illam, Anna Salai,
Chennai –2.

... Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to pay the petitioner interest at the rate of 18% per annum, for the period of delay from 01.03.23 to 29.10.24, in paying the amounts paid towards his terminal and pension benefits namely EPF Employee's Contribution, Gratuity, Encashment of Leaves and Commutated Value of Pension, within a time frame as may be fixed by this Honourable Court and without affecting his right to claim balance amounts towards those benefits.



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For Petitioner	: Mr. S.Arunachalam
For R1	: Mr.Ramachandrapradeep Standing Counsel
For R2	: Mr.S.C.Herold Singh Standing Counsel

ORDER

The present Writ Petition has been filed by a retired Special Grade Driver Level-5 of the respondent Transport Corporation, who applied for voluntary retirement on 28.02.2023, seeking a Mandamus for payment of interest for the belated disbursement of terminal benefits.

2. According to the learned counsel appearing for the writ petitioner, though the petitioner had voluntarily retired from service on 28.02.2023, the terminal benefits were released only on 30.10.2024. Hence, the petitioner has addressed a communication to the respondents on 04.11.2024, seeking payment of interest for the belated disbursement of terminal benefits. Since there is no response, the present writ petition has been filed.

3. Heard the learned counsel appearing for the petitioner and the learned Standing Counsel appearing for the respondents.



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4. Considering the above said facts, the respondents herein are directed to pay the interest at the rate of 6% per annum for the belated disbursement of terminal benefits from the due date till the date of disbursement, within a period of twelve weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

5. With the above said observations, this Writ Petition stands disposed of. There shall be no order as to costs.

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To

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Madurai Region, Madurai.

2. The Administrator,
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