



W.P.(MD)No.4549 of 2025

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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DATED : 20.02.2025

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE BATTU DEVANAND

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M.Chinnakaruppan

... Petitioner

Vs.

1. The Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation
(Kumbakonam) Limited.,
Represented by its Managing Director,
Kumbakonam.

2.The General Manager,
The Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation,
(Kumbakonam) Limited,
Trichy Region,
Trichy – 620 001.

3.The Chief Financial Officer,
The Tamil Nadu State Transport
Corporation (Kumbakonam) Limited,
Kumbakonam – 612 001.

... Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to pay interest at the rate of 18% per annum, for the belated payment of retirement benefits including Provident Fund, Gratuity Amount, Leave encashment amount within the time limit that may be fixed by this Court.



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For Petitioner : Mr.D.Siva Raman
For Respondents : Mr.K.Ramaiah
Standing Counsel

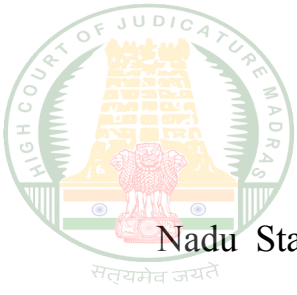
ORDER

This Writ Petition has been filed seeking a writ of mandamus directing the respondents to pay interest at the rate of 18% per annum, for the belated payment of retirement benefits including Provident Fund, Gratuity Amount, Leave encashment amount within the time limit that may be fixed by this Court.

2. The petitioner was appointed as Junior Assistant in the respondent Corporation on 23.06.1990 and he retired from service on 31.01.2023. The learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner's terminal benefits was not settled immediately and there is an abnormal delay.

3. In view of the same, the only issue to be considered in this Writ Petition is with regard to interest payable on the belated settlement. This issue was dealt with by this Court on various occasions and this Court passed orders in several Writ Petitions. In fact, the issue involved in this writ petition is no longer *res-integra*.

4. This Court in W.P(MD)No.4866 of 2023 (C.MuruganVs. the Tamil



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Nadu State Transport Corporation (Tirunelveli) Ltd., and Another) by order

dated 07.03.2023 has decided this issue.

5. Accordingly, by following the order stated supra, this Writ Petition is allowed with the following direction:

The respondents shall pay interest to the petitioner at the rate of 6% per annum on the belated payment of the retirement benefits commencing from the date of retirement, till date of actual disbursement, within a period of three months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

There shall be no order as to costs.

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NCC:yes/no
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