



W.P.(MD)No.6694 of 2025

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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DATED : 13.03.2025

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE BATTU DEVANAND

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K.Banu

... Petitioner

Vs.

1.The TamilNadu State Transport Corporation (Tirunelveli) Ltd.,
Represented by its Managing Director,
Tirunelveli.

2. The General Manager,
The TamilNadu State Transport Corpn., (Tirunelveli) Ltd.,
Tirunelveli Region,
Tirunelveli.

... Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to settle interest at the rate of 6% per annum for the belated payment of terminal benefits of the petitioner's husband Late.S.Kandasamy including Provident Fund, Gratuity and Leave Salary from the date of his death to till the date on which the said benefits were settled to the petitioner.

For Petitioner : Mr.A.Rahul

For Respondents : Mr.D.Jebaraj
Standing Counsel



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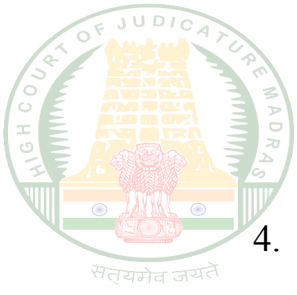
ORDER

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This Writ Petition has been filed seeking a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to pay the 6% interest for the belated payment of the petitioner's husband's retirement benefits i.e., Provident Fund, Gratuity, E.L and M.L Salary, Surrender Leave Salary and all other retirement benefits from the date of his death to the actual date of payment of retirement benefits to the petitioner.

2. The petitioner's husband was appointed as a Junior Assistant in the respondent Corporation, while he was in service he died on 25.04.2023. The learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner's husband'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*.



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4. This Court in W.P(MD)No.4866 of 2023 (C.MuruganVs. the Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation (Tirunelveli) Ltd., and Another) by an 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 the date of actual disbursement, within a period of three months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

6. No costs.

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