



W.P.(MD)No.7534 of 2025

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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DATED : 19.03.2025

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE BATTU DEVANAND

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V.Mani

... Petitioner

Vs.

1.The Managing Director,
Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation Limited,
Madurai Division, Bye Pass Road,
Madurai – 625 016.

2.The General Manager,
Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation Limited,
Dindigul Region, Chettinayakanpatti Post,
Dindigul – 624 005.

... Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to pay 6% interest amount of Rs.2,15,925/- for the belated payment of Terminal Benefits payable to the petitioner such as P.F., Gratuity and Leave Salary amount of Rs.20,11,547/- from the date of petitioner retirement i.e. on 30.04.2023 to till the date of actual payment made to him i.e. 12.02.2025.



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For Petitioner : Mr.A.K.Thangavelu

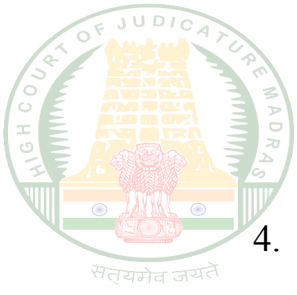
For Respondents : Mr.Gladson Michael Rajadurai
Standing Counsel

ORDER

This Writ Petition has been filed seeking a writ of mandamus directing the respondents to pay 6% interest for the belated payment of terminal benefits payable to the petitioner such as P.F., Gratuity and Leave Salary from the date of his retirement i.e. on 30.04.2023 to till the date of actual payment made to him i.e. on 12.02.2025.

2. The petitioner was appointed as Conductor in the respondent Corporation on 21.05.1996 and he retired from service on 30.04.2023. 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*.



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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 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 respondent 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 the 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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BATTU DEVANAND, J.

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