

W.P.(MD)No.7856 of 2025

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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DATED : 21.03.2025

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE BATTU DEVANAND

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P.Soundararajan

... Petitioner

Vs.

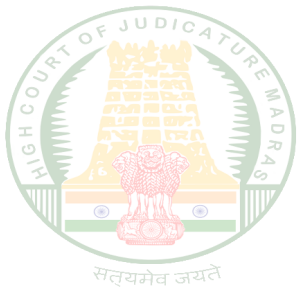
1.The Government of Tamil Nadu,
Represented by its Secretary,
Transport Department,
Secretariat,
Chennai 600 009.

2.The Managing Director,
Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation (Kumbakonam) Ltd.,
Kumbakonam,
Thanjavur District

3.The General Manager,
Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation (Kumbakonam) Ltd.,
Trichy Region,
Periyamilaguparai,
Trichirappalli District.

... Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to settle the interest for the belated payment of retirement benefits such as Gratuity, Earned Leave, Provident Fund and other retirement benefits payable to the petitioner with 6% rate of interest within a time frame fixed that may be stipulated by this Court.



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For Petitioner : Mr.N.Sudhagar Nagaraj
For R1 : Mr.P.Subbaraj
Special Government Pleader
For R2 & R3 : Mr.K.Ramaiah
Standing Counsel

ORDER

This Writ Petition has been filed seeking a writ of mandamus directing the respondents to settle the interest for the belated payment of retirement benefits such as Gratuity, Earned Leave, Provident Fund and other retirement benefits payable to the petitioner

2. The petitioner was appointed in the second and third respondent Corporation on 23.07.1999 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



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in several Writ Petitions. In fact, the issue involved in this writ petition is no

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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:

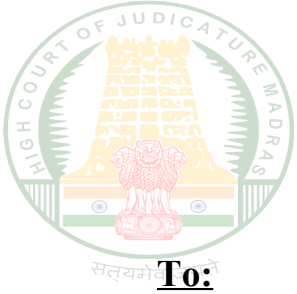
The respondents shall pay interest to the petitioner at the rate of 6% per annum on the belated payment of the retirement benefits commencing from the date of retirement, till the date of actual disbursement, within a period of three months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

6. No costs.

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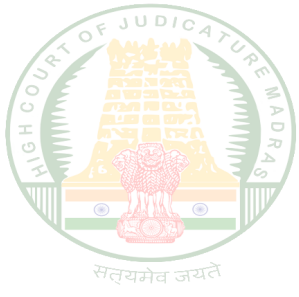


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