



W.P.(MD)No.8799 of 2025

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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DATED : 01.04.2025

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE BATTU DEVANAND

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M.Srinivasan

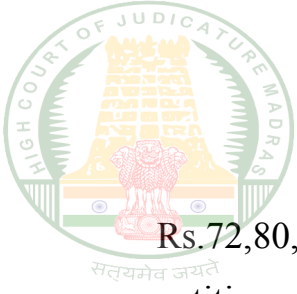
... Petitioner

Vs.

- 1.The Managing Director,
State Express Transport Corporation (TN) Ltd.,
Corporate Office,
No.2, Pallavan Salai,
Chennai 600 002.
- 2.The Finance Advisor and Chief Accounts Officer,
State Express Transport Corporation (TN) Ltd.,
Corporate Office,
No.2, Pallavan Salai,
Chennai 600 002.
- 3.The Adminsitrator,
TNSTC Employees Pension Trust,
SETC (TN) Ltd.,
No.2, Pallavan Salai,
Chennai 600 002.

... Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to disburse the interest at the rate of 6% as per court direction for belated payment of terminal benefits of Gratuity, Provident Fund and Leave Salary for its total amount comes to



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Rs.72,80,370/- for a period of 6 months from 01.12.2022 to 23.05.2023 to the petitioner.

For Petitioner : Mr.K.Gokul

For Respondents : Mr.K.Senthil Kumar
Standing Counsel

ORDER

This Writ Petition has been filed seeking a writ of mandamus directing the respondents to disburse the interest at the rate of 6% for belated payment of terminal benefits of Gratuity, Provident Fund and Leave Salary for its total amount comes to Rs.72,80,370/- for a period of 6 months from 01.12.2022 to 23.05.2023 to the petitioner.

2. The petitioner was appointed as Junior Engineer in the respondent Corporation on 01.05.1987 and he retired from service on 30.11.2022. 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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