



W.P.(MD)No.10274 of 2025

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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DATED : 21.04.2025

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**THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE BATTU DEVANAND**

**W.P.(MD)No.10274 of 2025**

P.Pazhaninagalingam

... Petitioner

Vs.

1.The General Manager,  
Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation Tirunelveli Limited,  
Ranithottam,  
Nagercoil,  
Kanyakumari District.

2.The Administrator,  
Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation Employees Pension Trust,  
Thiruvalluvar House,  
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 pay the 6% interest for the belated payment of the petitioner retirement benefits i.e. Provident Fund, Gratuity, EL and ML Salary, Surrender Leave Salary and all other retirement benefits from the date of retirement to the actual date of payment of retirement benefits to the petitioner and pay the same to the petitioner within the time frame to be fix by this Court.



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For Petitioner : Mr.N.S.Ramakrishna Dass

For R1 : Mr.K.Ramaiah  
Standing Counsel

For R2 : Mr.S.C.Herold Singh  
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 the petitioner retirement benefits i.e. Provident Fund, Gratuity, EL and ML Salary, Surrender Leave Salary and all other retirement benefits from the date of retirement to the actual date of payment of retirement benefits to the petitioner within a time frame to be fix by this Court.

2. The petitioner was worked as Tradesman in the first respondent Corporation 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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**BATTU DEVANAND, J.**

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