



W.P.(MD)No.11599 of 2025

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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 24.04.2025

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE BATTU DEVANAND

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S.Arivazhagan

...Petitioner

Vs.

1. The Managing Director,
Tamil Nadu State Transport
Corporation (Kmb) Limited,
New Railway Station Road,
Kumbakonam - 612 001.

2. The General Manager,
Tamil Nadu State Transport
Corporation (Kmb) Limited,
Nagapattinam Region,
Vellipalayam
Nagapattinam – 611 001.

...Respondents

Prayer: Writ Petition is filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, in the nature of a Writ of Mandamus, to direct the respondents to disburse interest at the rate of 6% for the belated payment of retirement benefits Gratuity, Provident Fund, Leave Salary and Commutation.



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For Petitioner : Mr.K.Gokul

For Respondents : Mr.K.Ramaiah
Standing Counsel

ORDER

This Writ Petition has been filed seeking a Writ of Mandamus, consequently direct the respondents to disburse interest at the rate of 6% for the belated payment of retirement benefits Gratuity, Provident Fund, Leave Salary and Commutation.

2. The petitioner was appointed as Driver in the respondent Corporation on 24.04.1995 and he retired from service on 31.05.2023. 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 retirement, till date of actual disbursement, within a period of three months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

6. There shall be no order as to costs.

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