

W.P(MD)No.11624 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

W.P.(MD)No.11624 of 2025

R.Thangaraj

...Petitioner

Vs.

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

2.The General Manager,
Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation (Kmb) Ltd.,
Pudukkottai Region,
Thirumayam Road,
Pillai Thanneer Panthal,
Pudukkottai.

...Respondents

Prayer: Writ Petition is filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, in the nature of a Writ of Mandamus directing the respondents to settle the petitioner's surrender leave salary for 135 days in respect of the years 2011-2023 together with interest at the rate of 18% per annum payable from the date for retirement to till the date of actual payment.



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For Petitioner : Mr.K.Gokul

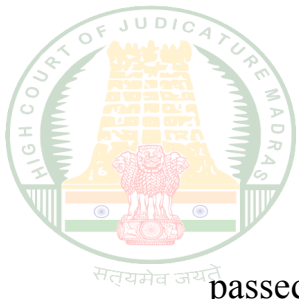
For Respondents : Mr.K.Ramaiah
Standing Counsel

ORDER

This Writ Petition has been filed seeking Writ of Mandamus directing the respondents to settle the petitioner's surrender leave salary for 135 days in respect of the years 2011-2023 together with interest at the rate of 18% per annum payable from the date for retirement to till the date of actual payment.

2. The petitioner was appointed as Junior Engineer in the respondent Corporation on 07.11.1987 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



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passed orders in several Writ Petitions. In fact, the issue involved in this writ petition is no longer *res-integra*.

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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