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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 06.06.2025

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE VIVEK KUMAR SINGH

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S.K.Marimuthu

... Petitioner

-VS-

1.The Managing Director,
Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation (MDU) Limited,
Bypass Road, Madurai – 625016.

2.The Administrator,
The Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation Pension Trust,
Thiruvalluvar Illam, Pallavan Salai,
Chennai – 600 002.

... Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondent to pay interest at the rate of 6% per annum to the petitioner for the belated payment of Gratuity, Provident Fund and Leave Salary from the date of retirement to the date of actual payment, within a time frame as may be fixed by this Court.

For Petitioner : Ms.D.Ramya

For R1 : Mr.S.Raja
Standing Counsel



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For R2

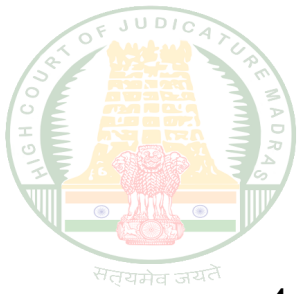
: Mr.S.C.Herold Singh
Standing Counsel

ORDER

This Writ Petition has been filed seeking a direction to the respondents to settle the interest at the rate of 6% per annum to the petitioner for the belated payment of Gratuity, Provident Fund and Leave Salary from the date of retirement to the date of actual payment.

2. The petitioner was appointed as a Conductor in the respondent Corporation on 17.12.1992 and he voluntarily retired from service on 30.06.2023. 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.Murugan vs. 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 date of actual disbursement, within a period of three months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

There shall be no order as to costs.

NCC : Yes / No
Index : Yes / No
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