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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 18.06.2025

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE VIVEK KUMAR SINGH

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K.Kumaran

... Petitioner

-VS-

1.The Managing Director,
Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation (Kumbakonam) Ltd.,
Kumbakonam Division,
Kumbakonam.

2.The Administrator,
Tamil Nadu Stat Transport Employees Pension Fund Trust,
Thiruvalluvar Illam, Anna Salai,
Chennai.

... Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to pay the petitioner's terminal benefits towards interest for the 22 months delayed payment of Provident Fund, Earned Leave Encashment, Medical Leave Encashment, Gratuity, for 37 years of service and Commutation amount, the payment for 71 days of pending Earned Leave and the payment for 20 days of pending Medical Leave, which is delay payment in terminal benefit made by the respondents, within the stipulated time frame as may be fixed by this Court.



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For Petitioner : Mr.A.Mu.Sharavanan
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 direction to the respondents to pay interest to the petitioner for the delayed payment of amounts due towards the terminal benefits.

2. The petitioner was appointed as a Foreman in the respondent Corporation and he retired from service on 30.06.2023 after rendering 37 years of service. 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
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