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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: **02.07.2025**

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE **MR.JUSTICE VIVEK KUMAR SINGH**

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M.Chinnasamy

: Petitioner

Vs.

1. The Management Of Tamilnadu State
Transport Corporation (Kumbakonam) Ltd.,
Trichy Region,
Rep. by its General Manager,
Trichy.

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

: 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 petitioner interest at the rate of 18 percent per annum, for the period of delay from 01.07.23 to 15.04.25 in paying the amounts paid towards his terminal and pension benefits namely EPF Employee's Contribution, Encashment of leaves and Commutated Value of Pension and the period of delay from 01.07.23 to 16.04.25 in paying the amounts paid towards his terminal and pension benefits namely Gratuity within a time frame as



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may be fixed by this Court and without affecting his right to claim balance amounts towards those benefits.

For Petitioner : Mr.S.Arunachalam

For Respondents : Mr.K.Ramaiah

ORDER

This writ petition has been filed seeking a writ of mandamus directing the respondents to pay the petitioner interest at the rate of 18 percent per annum, for the period of delay from 01.07.23 to 15.04.25 in paying the amounts paid towards his terminal and pension benefits namely EPF Employee's Contribution, Encashment of leaves and Commuted Value of Pension and the period of delay from 01.07.23 to 16.04.25 in paying the amounts paid towards his terminal and pension benefits namely Gratuity within a time frame as may be fixed by this Court and without affecting his right to claim balance amounts towards those benefits.

2. Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Standing Counsel, appearing on behalf of the respondents. By consent of both parties, the writ petition is taken up for final disposal at the admission stage itself.



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3. The petitioner was appointed as a Driver in the respondent Corporation and he 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.

4. 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*.

5. 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.

6. 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



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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. No costs.

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