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WPA 2999 of 2026
(Probhas Kumar Mondal vs. State of West Bengal & Ors.)

Mr. Srikanta Datta
Ms. Aditi Chakraborty
.... For the Petitioner

Affidavit of service filed by the petitioner is taken on record.

None appears for the respondents despite service.

The petitioner was appointed as Sahayak of Bara I Gram Panchayat under Nalhati II Panchayat Samiti on 10th October, 2001 and was subsequently promoted as Secretary of Dakshin Gram Panchayat under Nalhati II Panchayat Samiti. He superannuated from service on 31st August, 2023. Despite completing all pension related formalities within due time, pension payment order was issued on 16th August, 2024. The gratuity and arrear pension was released on 20th August, 2024. The petitioner seeks interest on the gratuity and arrear pension due to delay in disbursal of the same.

Upon consideration of the submission made on behalf of the parties and material on record, the Director of Pension, Provident Fund and Group Insurance, Government of West Bengal and the Treasury Officer, Rampurhat, being the 2nd and 6th respondents herein, are directed to pay interest to the

petitioner at the rate of 8% per annum on the gratuity and arrear pension amount calculated from 1st September, 2023 till the date of actual payment. Such payment shall be made within one month from the date of communication of this order.

The writ petition is accordingly disposed of.

There shall be no order as to costs.

Urgent certified website copy of the order, if applied for, be given to the parties on compliance of requisite formalities.

(Suvra Ghosh, J.)