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15.01.2026
Ct. No. 02
(ARPAN)

IN THE HIGH COURT AT CALCUTTA

CONSTITUTIONAL WRIT JURISDICTION
(Appellate Side)

W.P.A. 29574 OF 2025

MANIK CHAKRABORTY

VS.

THE STATE OF WEST BENGAL & OTHERS

Ms. Susmita Dey (Basu), Adv.

Mr. Kaustav Ghosh, Adv.

...for the Petitioner

Mr. Kazi Sajjad Alam, Adv.

...for the State

Mr. Soumyajit Ghosh, Adv.

...for the C.S.T.C.

1. Affidavit-of-service filed on behalf of the petitioner is taken on record.
2. Petitioner was an employee of Calcutta State Transport Corporation, who retired on superannuation on 30th April, 2023.
3. It is submitted on behalf of the petitioner that there was delay in releasing gratuity to the petitioner after superannuation as a result whereof petitioner is entitled to receive interest on gratuity.
4. Calcutta State Transport Corporation and State respondents are represented by learned advocates.
5. Since it is found that Calcutta State Transport Corporation caused delay in releasing gratuity, said authority is directed to pay interest at the rate of 6 per cent *per annum* on gratuity from the date following the date of retirement till the date of

payment within a period of three (3) months from the date of communication of this order.

6. In the event concerned respondent authority fails to pay interest on gratuity in terms of the aforesaid directions within the stipulated time, respondent authority shall be required to pay 8 per cent interest *per annum* on deferred payment.
7. If it is required, State respondents shall allot necessary fund for releasing benefit in favour of petitioner as directed by this Court.
8. With the aforesaid directions writ petition stands disposed of.
9. Urgent photostat certified copy of the order, if applied for, be given to the parties, upon usual undertakings.

(SAUGATA BHATTACHARYYA, J.)