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W.P.Nos.4527 of 2026 etc.,

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 12.02.2026

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE M.DHANDAPANI

W.P.Nos. 4527, 4529 & 4531 of 2026

A.Palanisamy	... Petitioners in W.P.No.4527 of 2026
V.Murthi	... Petitioner in W.P.No.4529 of 2026
C.Kannaian	... Petitioner in W.P.No.4531 of 2026
Vs.	

Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation
(Coimbatore) Limited,
Rep. By its Managing Director,
37, Mettupalayam Road,
Coimbatore – 641 043.

....Respondent in all petitions

Prayer in WP.No.4527 of 2026 : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying for issuance of a Writ of Mandamus, directing the Respondents to pay the petitioner interest at the rate of 18 percent per annum for the belated payment of 359 days in paying his PF, Gratuity and Earned Leave Salary with interest at the rate of 18 percentage and to pay the sum of Rs. 17,100/- towards STERBS with interest at the rate of 18 percentage within a specified time.



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Prayer in WP.No.4529 of 2026 : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying for issuance of a Writ of Mandamus, directing the Respondents to pay the petitioner interest at the rate of 18 percent per annum for the belated payment of 339 days in paying his PF, Gratuity and Earned Leave Salary with interest at the rate of 18 percentage and to pay the sum of Rs. 16,750/- towards STERBS with interest at the rate of 18 percentage within a specified time.

Prayer in WP.No.4531 of 2026 : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying for issuance of a Writ of Mandamus, directing the Respondents to pay the petitioner interest at the rate of 18 percent per annum for the belated payment of 339 days in paying his PF, Gratuity and Earned Leave Salary with interest at the rate of 18 percentage and to pay the sum of Rs. 17,100/- towards STERBS with interest at the rate of 18 percentage within a specified time.

For Petitioners : Ms.G.K.Dharshini
in all petitions

For Respondent : Mr.C.Gauthamaraj
in all petitions



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These Writ Petitions have been filed to direct the respondent to pay the petitioners interest at the rate of 18 percent per annum for the belated payment of terminal benefits with interest at the rate of 18 percentage and to pay the amount payable to the petitioners towards STERBS with interest at the rate of 18 percentage within a specified time.

2. With the consent of the learned counsel appearing on either side, these Writ Petitions are taken up for disposal at the admission stage.

3. It is the case of the petitioners that the petitioners, who had joined the services of the respondent Corporation, had retired from service in the year 2022, however, the terminal benefits have been settled to all the petitioners only on 26.05.2023. Therefore, the petitioners claimed 18% interest on the belated payment of terminal benefits and they have also made representations on 08.11.2025, 28.10.2025 & 07.11.2025 to pay interest for the belated payment of terminal benefits which has not been evoked any response so far. Hence, the petitioners are before this Court.



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4. Heard the learned counsels appearing on either side and perused the materials available on record.

5. In view of the limited request made by the petitioners with regard to interest on the belated payment of terminal benefits, this Court directs the respondent to pay interest @ 6% for the belated payment of terminal benefits from the date of retirement till the date of actual disbursement of terminal benefits of the petitioners and also pay the applicable amount towards STERBS, if not already paid, within a period of six weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order taking into account the bank rate of interest on deposits.

6. Accordingly, these Writ Petitions are disposed of. There shall be no order as to costs.

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Index : Yes / No
Speaking Order : Yes / No
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