



W.P.Nos.4466 of 2026

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

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DATED : 12.02.2026

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE M.DHANDAPANI

W.P.Nos. 4466 of 2026

1.R.Kaliappan

2.V.Sathyamoorthy

3.P.J.Joseph

4.K.Subramanian

... Petitioners

Vs.

1.The Managing Director,
Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation
(Kovai) Limited,
No.37, Mettupalayam Road,
Coimbatore – 641 043.

2.The Administrator,
Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation
Employees' Pension Fund Trust,
No.2, Pallavan Salai,
Chennai – 600002.

...Respondents



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Prayer: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, seeking issuance of writ of mandamus, directing the respondents to pay interest of 12% to the petitioners for belated payment of Gratuity, Leave Salary, Provident Fund and commutation of pension amounts within a time frame.

For Petitioners : Mr.S.Sakthivel

For Respondents : Mr.C.Gauthamaraj for R1

ORDER

This Writ Petition has been filed to direct the the respondents to pay interest of 12% to the petitioners for belated payment of Gratuity, Leave Salary, Provident Fund and commutation of pension amounts within a time frame.

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



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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 2024, however, the terminal benefits have been settled only on 02.12.2025 & 25.08.2025. Therefore, the petitioners claimed 12% interest on the belated payment of terminal benefits and they have also made representations on 24.09.2025, 06.12.2025, 09.12.2025 & 13.01.2026 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.

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 disbursal of terminal benefits of the petitioners, 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.



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6. Accordingly, this Writ Petition is disposed of. There shall be no order as to costs.

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NCC: Yes / No
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