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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 03.03.2026

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THE HONOURABLE MS. JUSTICE P.T. ASHA

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1. V.Velmurugan
S/o.Venugopal
2. R.Krishnagopalan
S/o.Ramanujam
3. T.Sekar
S/o.Teivanayagam
4. S.Ramanathan
S/o.Shanmugasundaram
5. S.Saravanan
D/o.Shanmugam
6. R.Ravichandran
S/o.P.Ramakrishnan
7. V.Kaliyan
S/o.Vellaiyan

...Petitioners

Vs.

1. The Managing director
Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation (Villupuram) Ltd.,
No.3/137, Salamedu, Kandamanandi P.O.
Villupuram – 605 401.
2. The General Manager
Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation (Villupuram) Ltd.,

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Cuddalore region
No.2, Imperial Road, Cuddalore – 607 002.

3. The Administrator
Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation Employees
Pension Fund Trust
No.2, Pallavan Salai,
Chennai-600 002.

...Respondents

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents to pay interest @ 10% for the belated payment of terminal benefits such as Gratuity, Provident Fund, Leave Salary and Commutation amount to the petitioners.

For Petitioners : Mr.S.T.Varadarajalu

For Respondents : Mr.A.Vinothraj
Standing Counsel, for R1 & R2

ORDER

The writ petition is filed for the relief set out below:

"directing the respondents to pay interest @ 10% for the belated payment of terminal benefits such as Gratuity, Provident Fund, Leave Salary and Commutation amount to the petitioners."

2. It is the case of the petitioners that they were appointed as Conductors, Drivers and Helpers respectively in the first respondent



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corporation and retired from service as Special Grade Conductors, Special Grade Drivers and Foreman respectively, on attaining the age of superannuation on 31.05.2024 and 30.06.2024 respectively. However, the respondents had settled all the retiral benefits including Service Gratuity, Provident Fund, Leave Salary and Commutation amount etc., only on 02.12.2025 with a delay of more than 1 ½ years. Therefore, the respondents are legally bound to pay interest to the petitioners. The petitioners have made representations to the respondents to pay the interest for the belated payment of Provident Fund, Earned Leave Salary, Gratuity Amount and Commutation amount. Since the same was not considered to date, the petitioners are before this Court.

3. The learned Standing Counsel for the respondents 1 and 2 would fairly submit that they are willing to pay the interest at the rate of 6% per annum for the belated payment of the eligible and admissible amount.

4. Heard the learned counsel on either side and perused the materials available on records.



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5. Admittedly, the Earned Leave Salary, Gratuity Amount, Provident Amount and Commutation amount etc., has been paid belatedly for no fault of the petitioners. Therefore, the petitioners are entitled to interest on the same. Therefore, a mandamus is issued directing the respondents to disburse the 6% interest for belated payment of Earned Leave Salary, Gratuity Amount, Provident fund and commutation etc., within a period of one (1) month from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

6. With the above direction, the writ petition is disposed of. No costs.

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