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W.P.No.11649 of 2026

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 27.03.2026

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THE HONOURABLE MS. JUSTICE P.T. ASHA

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A.Asohan
S/o.Kannappan

...Petitioner

Vs.

The Metropolitan Transport Corporation Ltd.,
Rep. By its Managing Director
No.2, Pallavan Salai
Chennai-600 002.

...Respondent

PRAYER: Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondent to pay the petitioner interest for the belated payment of 16 months in paying PF, Gratuity and Surrender Leave Salary at the rate of 12% per annum, within a specified time.

For Petitioner : Mr.Krishnasamy .R
For Respondent : Ms.Kavya
Standing Counsel

ORDER

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

"directing the respondent to pay the petitioner interest for the belated payment of 16 months in paying PF, Gratuity and Surrender Leave Salary at the rate of 12% per annum, within a



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specified time."

2. It is the case of the petitioner that he joined the services of the respondent Corporation on 21.01.1998 and retired from service, on attaining the age of superannuation, as Special Grade Driver on 31.07.2024. However, the respondent had settled all the retiral benefits only on 02.12.2025 with a delay of more than one year. Therefore, the respondent is legally bound to pay interest to the petitioner. The petitioner has made a representation dated 03.01.2026 to the respondent to pay the interest at the rate of 12% p.a., for the delayed payment of retirement benefits such as Provident Fund, Gratuity, Surrender leave Salary etc., Since the same was not considered to date, the petitioner is before this Court.

3. The learned Standing Counsel for the respondent 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 and Provident Amount etc., has been paid belatedly for no fault of the petitioner. Therefore, the petitioner is entitled to interest on the same. Therefore, a mandamus is issued directing the respondent to disburse the 6% interest for belated payment of Earned Leave Salary, Gratuity Amount and Provident fund etc., within a period of six weeks 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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