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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 02-04-2026

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THE HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE P.T. ASHA

WP No. 12448 of 2026

S.mariappan
Staff No.D 150064
Special Grade Driver Retd
S/o.Sethu,
No.9/5, Nallappa Vathiyar Street,
Old Washermenpet,
Chennai-600 021

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. The Government of Tamil Nadu
Rep. by its Secretary,
Transport Department,
Secretariat,
Chennai-600 009
2. the Managing Director
Metropolitan Transport Corporation (Chennai)
Limited,
Pallavan Illam
Mount Road, Pallavan Salai,
Chennai-600 002

..Respondent(s)

Writ petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India
praying for issuance of a writ of mandamus directing the respondents to settle
the interest for the belated payment of retirement benefits such as Gratuity,
Provident fund and other retirement benefits payable to the petitioner with 6
percent rate of interest within the time frame that may be stipulated by this
Honourable Court



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For Petitioner(s):

N.Sudhagar Nagaraj

For Respondent(s):

Mr.P.Ganesan, AGP for R1

Mr.R.Balaji, Standing counsel for R2

ORDER

- (1) This Writ Petition has been filed by the petitioner seeking to issue a writ of Mandamus directing the respondents herein to settle the interest for the belated payment of retirement benefits such as Gratuity, Provident Fund and other retirement benefits payable to the petitioner with 6 percent rate of interest within the time frame that may be stipulated by this Court.
- (2) Mr.P.Ganesan, learned Additional Government Pleader accepts notice on behalf of the 1st respondent and Mr.R.Balaji, learned Standing counsel accepts notice on behalf of the 2nd respondent.
- (3) With the consent of both the learned counsels, the main writ petition is disposed of at the admission stage itself.
- (4) The case of the petitioner is that he joined the service of Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation (Chennai) Limited, as Driver and he retired from service on 31.05.2024, as Special Grade Driver, on attaining the age of superannuation. It is submitted that subsequent to his retirement, a settlement was entered into between the Union and the Management on 29.05.2025, which was made applicable with effect from 01.09.2023. However, the terminal benefits have been settled to the petitioner as per



the pre-revised pay instead of revised pay. Hence, the petitioner submit that he is entitled to the benefit under the said settlement dated 29.05.2025 along with interest and he had submitted representation along with the other similarly placed persons, to the respondents on 25.02.2026, to pay the interest for the belated settlement of the retiral benefits. Since the same was not considered, the present writ petition has been filed.

- (5) When this matter is taken up for hearing, the learned counsel for the petitioner has produced a copy of the order passed by this Court in W.P.No.44223 of 2025 dated 18.11.2025 regarding the similar issue, wherein, this Court has passed an order directing the respondents to pay difference in leave salary, difference in gratuity and pensions arrears as per the wage settlement dated 29.05.2025 with 6% per annum to be computed from the date of the petitioner's retirement till the date of payment.
- (6) Heard both sides and perused the materials available on record.
- (7) In view of the aforesaid facts and circumstances of the case and the order passed by this Court, the 2nd respondent is directed to pay the interest for the belated settlement of the aforesaid retirement benefits, at the rate of 6% per annum to be computed from the date of retirement till the date of actual disbursal of the terminal benefits of the petitioner within a period of six weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.



(8) In the result, the Writ Petition is disposed of with the aforesaid direction.

No costs.

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Index: Yes/No

Speaking/Non-speaking order

Neutral Citation: Yes/No

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To

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Transport Department,
Secretariat,
Chennai-600 009
2. the Managing Director
Metropolitan Transport Corporation (Chennai) Limited,
Pallavan Illam
Mount Road, Pallavan Salai,
Chennai-600 002.
3. The Administrator
Tamil Nadu Transport Corporation Employees Pension Trust,
Thiruvalluvar Illam
Pallavan Salai,
Chennai-2



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