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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 03-06-2026

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

WP No. 18586 of 2026

M.Mahadevan

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

The Managing Director,
Metropolitan Transport Corporation (Chennai)
Ltd.,
Pallavan Illam, Anna Salai,
Chennai - 600 002.

..Respondent(s)

Prayer: This writ petition has been filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying for issuance of a writ of mandamus directing the respondent to sanction and disburse interest at 12% per annum on the delayed payment of EPF, Gratuity and Leave Surrender for the period from 28.02.2025 to 11.03.2026.

For Petitioner(s) : Mr.B.Balaji

For Respondent(s) : Mr.A.R.Balaji,
Government Advocate

ORDER

The writ petition is filed for the below relief:

*"directing the respondent to sanction and disburse
interest at the rate of 12% per annum on the delayed
payment of EPF, Gratuity and Leave Surrender for*



the period from 28.02.2025 to 11.03.2026."

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2. The brief facts which are culminated in the filing of this writ petition are set out below:

2.1. It is the case of the petitioner that the petitioner was working as SPG Conductor and retired from service on 28.02.2025. The respondent settled the EPF, Gratuity and Leave Surrender with a delay. Therefore, the respondent is legally bound to pay interest to the petitioner. Therefore, the petitioner made a representation to the respondent to pay the interest at the rate of 12% p.a., for the belated payment of the petitioner's EPF, Gratuity and Leave Surrender from 28.02.2025 to 11.03.2026. Since there is no response, the petitioner is before this Court.

3. Heard the learned Counsel on either side and perused the materials available on records.

4. Admittedly, the EPF, Gratuity and Leave Surrender has been paid belatedly for no fault of the petitioner. Therefore, the petitioner is entitled to interest on the same. Therefore, the Writ petition is disposed of and a mandamus is issued directing the respondent to disburse the 6% interest for belated payment of EPF, Gratuity and Leave Surrender from 28.02.2025 to



11.03.2026 within a period of one (1) month from the date of receipt of a copy
of this order. No costs.

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Speaking/Non-speaking order
Neutral Citation: Yes/No

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To

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