



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 10-06-2026

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

**WP No. 18920 of 2026
and WMP No.20215 of 2026**

1. N.Eswaran
2. K. Jobay
3. S. Marannan
4. M. Mani
5. S.R. Boopathy
6. G. Sadhasivam
7. S.Suba
8. S. Appuraj

..Petitioner(s)

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-600 002.

..Respondent(s)

PRAYER: Writ Petition has been filed under Article 226 of Constitution of India praying to issue a writ of mandamus directing the Respondents to pay interest of 12 percent to the petitioners for belated payment of Gratuity Dearness Allowance, Leave Salary, Provident Fund and Commutation of pension amounts within a time frame to be fixed by this Court.

For Petitioner(s): Mr.S.Sakthivel

For Respondent(s): Mr.C.Gauthamraj, Standing Counsel



ORDER

The writ petition is filed for the below relief:

"directing the Respondents to pay interest of 12 percent to the petitioners for belated payment of Gratuity Dearness Allowance, Leave Salary, Provident Fund and Commutation of pension amounts within a time frame to be fixed by this Court ".

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

2.1. It is the case of the petitioners that they had retired from service during 2018-2025. The respondents settled their terminal benefits belatedly with a delay of 6 to 22 months. Therefore, the respondents are legally bound to pay interest to the petitioners. Therefore, the petitioners made a representation to the respondents to pay the interest at the rate of 12% p.a., for the belated payment of the petitioner's Gratuity Dearness Allowance, Leave Salary, Provident Fund and Commutation of pension amounts. Since there is no response, the petitioners are before this Court.

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



available on records.

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4. Admittedly, the Gratuity, Dearness Allowance, Leave Salary, Provident Fund and Commutation of pension amounts has been paid belatedly for no fault of the petitioners. Therefore, the petitioners are entitled to interest on the same. Therefore, the Writ petition is allowed as prayed for and a mandamus is issued directing the respondents to disburse the 6% interest for belated payment of Gratuity Dearness Allowance, Leave Salary, Provident Fund and Commutation of pension amounts within a period of one (1) month from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition is ordered. No costs.

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Index: Yes/No
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Neutral Citation: Yes/No
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