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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 28-10-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE MUMMINENI SUDHEER KUMAR

WP No. 43935 of 2026

CNR: {HCMA012523542026}

Shanmugam (Staff No.14314)

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation
(Coimbatore) Ltd.,
Rep. By Its The Managing Director,
37 Mettupalayam Road,
Coimbatore -641043

..Respondent(s)

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 terminal benefits namely PF, Gratuity, Earned Leave and Surrender Leave Salary with interest at the rate of 18 percent within a specified time and to pay the petitioner a sum of Rs.18,500/- towards the STERBS (State Transport Employee Retirement Benefit Scheme), as admitted by the Respondent in their RTI reply with interest at the rate of 18 percent per annum, as may be fixed by this Honble Court, award costs.

For Petitioner(s): M/S. R. Krishnasamy

For Respondent(s): Mr.C.Gauthama Raj, Standing Counsel TNSTC

ORDER

Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and Mr.C.Gauthama Raj, learned Standing Counsel for respondents.

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2. With the consent of both the parties, this writ petition is disposed of at the admission stage.

3. Learned counsel on either side unanimously agree that the issue involved in this writ petition is squarely covered by various judgments passed by the Division Bench of this Court in W.A.(MD). No.403 of 2010 and batch, dated 07.08.2014 and W.A.(MD) No.1419 of 2021 and batch, dated 26.07.2021.

4. Insofar as the claim of the petitioner for release of an amount of Rs.18,500/- under the STERBS (State Transport Employee Retirement Benefit Scheme) is concerned, the respondent Corporation has furnished information under the Right to Information Act through proceedings bearing 2188- P2/ சபபி/தஅபோக(கோ)/2025 dated 14.03.2025 acknowledging that an amount of Rs.18,500/- has been deducted from the salary of the petitioner. If that be the case, the said amount is required to be refunded to the petitioner and Mr.C.Gauthama Raj, learned Standing Counsel appearing for the respondent Corporation does not dispute the same.

5. In the light of the above, the writ petition is disposed of, directing the respondents to pay interest at the rate of 6% per annum for the belated payment of the petitioner's terminal benefits, including Provident Fund, Gratuity, Earned

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Leave and Surrender Leave Salary, from the date of his retirement till the date on which those benefits are paid to the petitioner and also to pay an amount of Rs.18,500/- under the STERBS (State Transport Employee Retirement Benefit Scheme), if not already paid along with interest at the rate of 6% per annum, as expeditiously as possible, at any rate, within a period of three months 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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